DTX Demand Forecasting

Overview of Approach and Scenarios



San Francisco Peninsula Rail Program

Executive Steering Committee

Demand Forecast and Ridership Study



DTX Comprehensive Work Plan – Task 3.3: Prepare preliminary demand forecasts to support the Phasing Study, design, and identification of the initial operating phase. (Lead: SFCTA)



Modeling Scenarios



- Forecasting effort organized by a set of scenarios, reflecting varied assumptions for:
 - Analysis year the year to be modeled, including projected changes in regional land use
 - **Infrastructure** DTX program; other transportation improvements
 - Service levels frequency and type of service, by operator

Summary of Scenarios for Analysis



Analysis Year	Scenarios	Description	
2019	Existing Conditions	Caltrain to 4 th /King (5 trains per peak hour)	
2025	Intermediate Year	Caltrain to 4 th /King Caltrain Electrification in-service Central Subway in-service	
2035 and/or 2040	No Project	Variant #1: Caltrain & HSR to 4 th /King Variant #2: Caltrain to 4 th /King; HSR Delayed	
	With Project	Multiple variants, reflecting different levels of Caltrain and HSR service	
	Sensitivity Tests	Sensitivity #1: HSR Delayed Sensitivity #2+: Phasing Concepts, per Phasing Study work	
2050	No Project	Caltrain & HSR to 4 th /King	
	With Project	Future Caltrain & HSR service levels, per Business Plans	
	Sensitivity Tests	Sensitivity #1: DTX + New Transbay Rail Crossing Sensitivity #2: Land Use and/or Demand Sensitivity Sensitivity #3+: Other Long-Range Sensitivities TBC	

Business Plans Context: Caltrain & HSR



Planned future service levels are a starting point for developing assumptions for "No Project" and "With Project" scenarios.

Caltrain: CalMod and 2040 Service Vision Trains per Peak Hour

Station	2025	2040 (without DTX)	2040 (with DTX)
4 th /King	6	8	
4 th /Townsend	77	77	8
Salesforce Transit Center			8

CHSRA: 2020 Business Plan (Draft, 2021)

Trains per Peak Hour

Station	Valley to Valley (2031)	Phase 1 (2033)		
4 th /King	2	-		
4 th /Townsend		2		
Salesforce Transit Center		4		

Sources:

- Caltrain Modernization (CalMod) Program website
- Peninsula Corridor Electrification Project (PCEP) Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR), January 2015
- Caltrain Business Plan Caltrain 2040

Sources.

- California High-Speed Rail 2020 Business Plan, Ridership and Revenue Forecasting Technical Supporting Document
- California High-Speed Rail Authority 2020 Business Plan, Service Planning Methodology Technical Supporting Document

Scenario Definition Template



					Townsend peak hour)	I .	ransit Center peak hour)	
Analysis Year	Scenario		DTX	Caltrain	HSR	Caltrain	HSR	Notes
2019	Base Year / Existing Conditions			5				
2025	Intermediate Base Year			6				Central Subway Caltrain Electrification
2035 / 2040	No Project	Service Variant #1		#	#			
		Service Variant #2 (Delayed HSR)		#				
	With Project	Service Variant #1	√	#	#	#	#	
		Service Variant #2	√	#	#	#	#	
		Service Variant #3	√	#	#	#	#	
	Sensitivity Analysis	1 – Delayed HSR	√	#		#		
		2 – Other Phasing Concept(s)	√	#	#	#	#	
2050	No Project			#	#			
With	With Project	With Project		#	#	#	#	
	Sensitivity Analysis	1 – DTX + NTRC/Link21	√	#	#	#	#	New Transbay Rail Crossing
	, , , , , ,	2 – Other Long-Term Sensitivity(ies)	√	#	#	#	#	

Next Steps



- Finalization of assumptions for initial/working scenarios, in consultation with IPMT and the two operators
- Coordination with MTC planning and regional modeling staff
- Engagement with FTA technical staff
- Model calibration
- First round of model application, with early results planned for March 2021

Thank you.

