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## **Federal Funding Grows for BART Silicon Valley Phase II**

SAN JOSE – President Biden will allocate an additional \$200 million for the Silicon Valley BART Extension Phase II in his upcoming proposed budget. The project will extend the [BART Silicon Valley](#) alignment from the North San Jose Berryessa station through downtown San Jose to Santa Clara, adding four more stations and 6 more miles of track, including an innovative single bore tunnel under downtown San Jose.

This is the third allocation under the federal Expedited Project Delivery Pilot Program. The FTA announced a commitment of \$125 million in August 2019 and then another \$100 million was committed in January 2021.

“The President’s commitment so far to allocate \$425 million is great news in the overall commitment to fund the federal share of the project,” said VTA Board Chair Chappie Jones.

This latest allocation shows the federal government’s confidence in the project and in VTA’s ability to complete the largest transportation infrastructure project in Santa Clara County history.

"Contrary to the narrative of some critics about the alleged lack of federal support for the BART to Silicon Valley project, today's commitment of the U.S. Department of Transportation of \$200 million in Expedited Project Delivery funding--one of only two projects nationally to receive EPD funding--demonstrates the critical importance and efficacy of this project in meeting our region's transportation and climate goals. I am grateful for Secretary Pete Buttigieg's continued commitment to this project, and to our nation's critical need for transit investment," said San Jose Mayor and VTA Board Member Sam Liccardo.

VTA will continue working with the federal and state governments to fill out the entire funding package for the project.

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*Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) is responsible for bus, light rail and paratransit operations and serves as the county’s congestion management agency.*

