

***Receive Update
Regarding The
Portal / Downtown
Rail Extension
(DTX) Project***

**JPB Board of Directors Meeting
September 4, 2025**



Project Overview

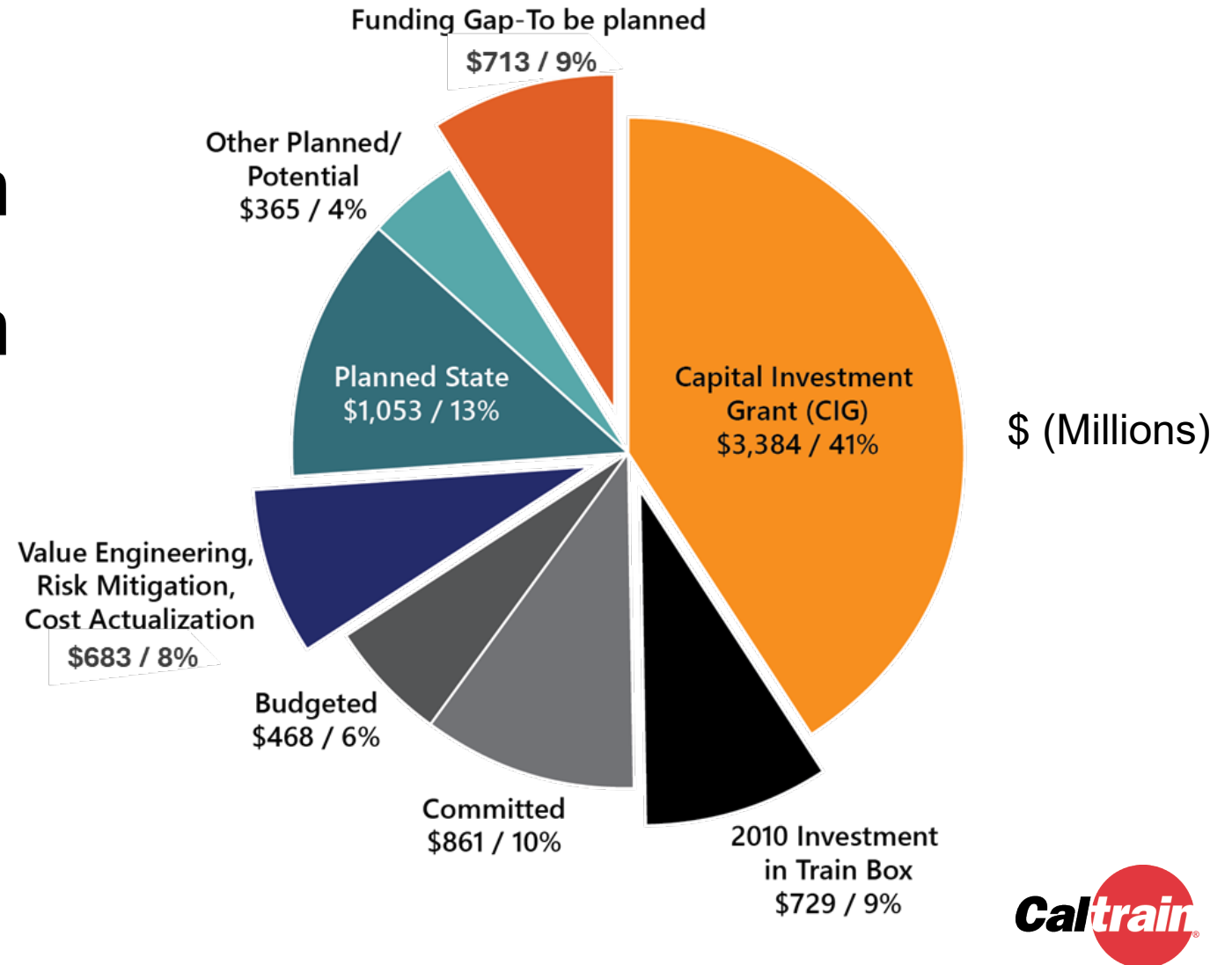
The Portal - Downtown Rail Extension (DTX)



- Extend Caltrain rail service from its current terminus at 4th and King Street into the new Salesforce Transit Center with initial revenue service in 2035.
- Include construction of a 1.5-mile underground tunnel, new tracks, ventilation and safety systems, and station upgrades to support future high-speed rail service. Total project length is 2.2 miles.
- Closes a critical gap in the Bay Area's transportation network. It is being delivered in partnership with regional, state, and federal agencies
- Caltrain/TJPA entered Interim Agreement since 2023.
- Caltrain/TJPA MCA is under Development and is due in Fall 2026.

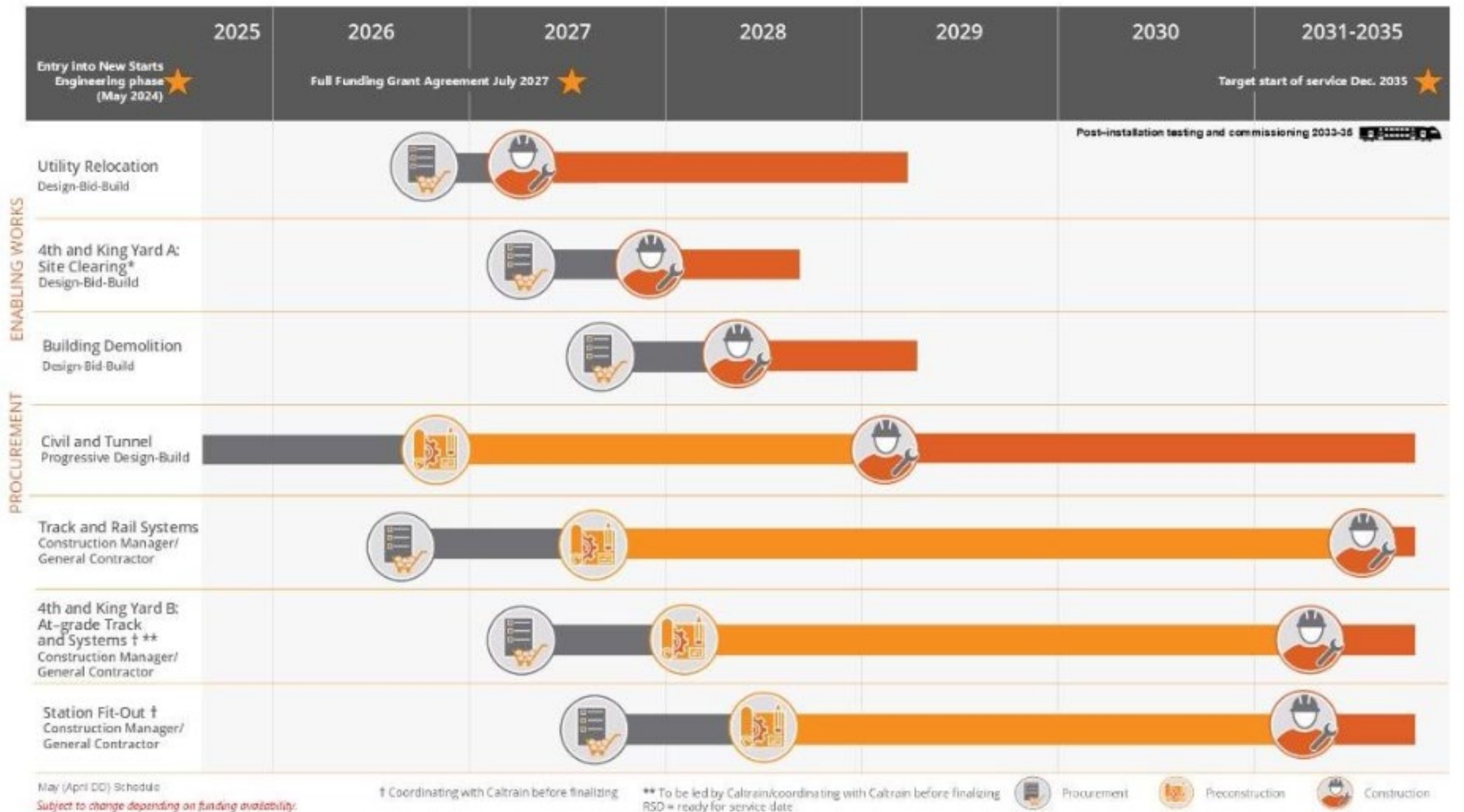
Project Budget & Funding

- Portal Cost Estimate
 - 2023 - \$8.25 Billion
 - 2025 - \$7.57 Billion



Project Delivery Approach

Modified Contract Package	Approved PDAS Delivery Method
Civil and Tunnel - Construction of tunnel, throat, and civil structures including Fourth and Townsend station box, two ventilation structures, and certain utility temporary support and/or relocation; 4th and Townsend station fit-out and the two ventilation structures	Progressive Design- Build (PDB)
Track and Systems - Installation of track and rail systems	Construction Manager/ General Contractor (CMGC)
Station Fit-out - Mechanical, electrical, plumbing, and architectural finishes at Salesforce Transit Center	
4KY Package B (track and systems work) for the 4th and King Yard Preparation	
Advance Works - Utility relocation, building demolition, and 4KY Package A (site clearing) for the 4th and King Yard Preparation	Design-Bid-Build (DBB)



Program Risks

Top Risks

- Secure local funding within current schedule
- Delay to start of Utility Relocation construction
- Secure Rights-of-way (ROW) access
- Securing Third-party agreements

Modification of Track and System Delivery Approach

Background

- In November 2023, the Transbay Joint Powers Authority (TJPA) Board approved modifications to the original Portal delivery approach:
 - 4th and King Yard Preparation Package A: 4KY Package A is Site Clearing
 - Yard Track and Systems aka 4KY Package B (currently designated as No. 55-YB)
- December 2023, the JPB Board approved use of the Construction Manager General Contractor (CMGC) for 4KY Package B.
- The JPB also approved Caltrain to be the delivery agency for 4KY Package B.

Delivery of Track and System

- In early 2025, The Portal Integrated Program Delivery Team (IPDT) was established – TJPA, Caltrain and CHSR.
- Performed a focused, risk-based evaluation:
 - Should At-grade Track and Systems (55-YB) and Track and Systems (50-TS) contracts be procured separately?
 - Should CMGC as the delivery model for both 55-YB and 50-TS, either separately or in combination?

Delivery Risks and Mitigations

- Combining 55-YB and 50-TS into a single package and using CMGC Delivery Method:
 - Ensure integrity of the Track and Systems.
 - Reduces the interface risk for the 40-CT contract package
 - Reduce rail operations and maintenance complexity and cost
 - Reduce Procurement time and effort (two vs. one)
 - Collaboration Opportunity during Pre-Construction with CMGC
- Eliminates the necessity to mediate contractual disputes between the contractor and the GEC across two agencies (TJPA and Caltrain).
- Clear authority and responsibility for Project delivery and Caltrain Operations
- The Portal IPDT includes Caltrain's delivery and technical experts.

Next Steps:

Staff will continue to work with TJPA to advance the following modifications to the Project delivery approach:

- Combine the 50-TS Track and Systems and 55-YB 4th and King Yard At-grade Track and Systems contracts
- TJPA ratify the use of a CMGC procurement method for the 50-TS
- TJPA will enter the contract for a combined 50-TS
- Caltrain will lead the delivery of the combined 50-TS
- Develop a future agreement addressing Caltrain Railyard access and associated track and systems work.

Questions?

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