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## **SMART** seeks community input on Planning for the Future initiative

Petaluma, CA—The Sonoma-Marin Area Rail Transit District and its Board of Directors are developing a strategic plan to guide SMART into the future.

The communities we serve in Sonoma and Marin counties are encouraged to join SMART's new General Manager, Eddy Cumins in a series of four Zoom based public listening sessions to gather public input on four strategic topics – Ridership, Pathways, Extensions, and Freight.

These listening sessions will be on the following dates in April. Each listening session will last 90-minutes, from 6:30 PM – 8:00 PM.

- Wednesday, April 6: Ridership Meeting our riders needs
- Wednesday, April 13: Pathways Improving our pathways
- Wednesday, April 20: Extensions Serving future destinations
- Wednesday, April 27: Freight Shipping in the North Bay

As a part of our strategic planning process, the public may also provide input by completing four short surveys or by sending an email to dedicated email addresses for each of the strategic topics.

For more information about SMART's Planning for the Future initiative, as well as for links to the Zoom listening sessions, the surveys and email addresses go to: www.SonomaMarinTrain.org/planning-for-the-future.