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At our meeting in June we received substantial input on the two implementation tasks presented: the East Bay Corridors Initiative and the Priority Industrial Areas. On the East Bay Corridors we are proceeding with implementation of key priorities. In response to feedback from the committee, the City of Fremont is exploring their potential participation. On the Priority Industrial Areas, we received strong input on the importance of industrial businesses. We have completed the preliminary inventory of industrial land in the region and will be releasing results of the analysis by the end of the year.

For the upcoming meeting we move into the update of *Plan Bay Area* by taking stock of our current and potential strategies and adding new priority areas. Building upon *Plan Bay Area 2013* and substantial input from our local jurisdictions, the **People, Places, and Prosperity** report sheds light on how we are addressing key regional challenges and developing new strategies to support sustainable and equitable development.

We are also reviewing the proposals for **new Priority Development Areas (PDAs) and Priority Conservation Areas (PCAs)**. We have three new proposed PDAs and more than 100 proposed PCAs. Our set of PDAs have become very stable and represent a distinct set of places where we can accommodate growth. Our PCAs are increasing substantially given the refinement in criteria as well as our strong desires to preserve, nurture, and have access to our natural environment.

We have started the local dialogue on the *Plan Bay Area 2040* update. We are receiving substantial input on existing conditions, new planning efforts, and recent projects. We will be discussing the conceptual scenarios at our next Regional Planning Committee meeting in October and releasing the preliminary draft scenarios in November. The second round of scenarios will be in March 2016 and the approval of the Preferred Scenario will be in June 2016.