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Disaster Preparedness:

7/5

PG&E LIDAR HELICOPTER INSPECTIONS

Pacific Gas and Electric Company is inspecting power lines in Alameda and Contra Costa counties using helicopters equipped with Light Detection and Ranging (LiDAR) technology in its expanded vegetation management work, intended to cut wildfire risk.

7/7

EARTHQUAKE SURVIVAL

John is at the Marin County Fair asking people how they expect to survive if a powerful earthquake strikes. The fire department has set up a disaster preparedness game and a virtual reality exhibit, which can simulate an earthquake.

7/8

PG&E WILDFIRE MEETINGS

Sam Liccardo expected to blast PG&E's plan to cut power using "discretionary" criteria. There is a public meeting in Oakland tonight. It's part of PG&E's ongoing campaign to "educate the public about wildfire safety..." including power shutdowns...there have been complaints about the way PG&E has handled these shutoffs...

7/11

EARTHQUAKE SAFETY BOND

Mayor London Breed signs a \$628.5 million bond for the March 2020 ballot that would fund seismic retrofitting and resiliency for fire stations, police stations, and other critical public safety infrastructure.

7/12

WILDFIRE SAFETY BILL

Governor Gavin Newsom signed into law a major wildfire legislation and safety bill at the Capitol this morning. Melissa breaks down the contentious bill and how it impacts the liability of utility companies.

7/15

EBMUD WATER WARNING

EBMUD warns customers that they will need to limit water use if PG&E shuts off power because of high wildfire danger. The water agency will be installing 29 portable generators & pumps at critical facilities around the East Bay to prepare for the worst-case scenario.

7/22

EB: GENERATOR BARRIERS

PG&E is warning customers to expect outages that could last days at a time. But Mill Valley homeowners are being told the backup generators they might want to buy will violate the town's noise ordinance. Some residents require electric-powered medical equipment, or medications that need to be kept cool.

8/5

FIRE WEATHER

There's a new report from the Predictive Services branch of the National Interagency Fire Center, calling for a brutal fall fire season. Report is very specific about conditions.

8/19

PG&E TREE CUT

In places such as coastal Sonoma County, the Santa Cruz Mountains and the Sierra foothill towns of Butte County, many residents who fear the state's worsening infernos are also frustrated with how many redwoods, old firs and landmark oaks are coming under the ax in the name of fire safety.

8/26

HIGHWAY 17 FIRE BREAK

Cal fire will begin trimming trees and clearing brush along a 6-mile stretch of highway 17 today. The goal is to reduce the risk of wildfire in the area and to protect the highway as an evacuation route. This is also the project mentioned by Governor Gavin Newsom. The governor complained about the complexity and red tape. He said they were 700 permits and permissions the state had to get from different government agencies and private property owners.

8/4

BERKELEY EVACUATION DRILL

As the threat of wildfire intensifies these summer months residents in Berkeley participated in an evacuation drill led by city officials. We did a previous story about how residents were not happy with the city's efforts. Devin is seeing how the drill went today, if residents are more satisfied, and if they feel prepared for a wildfire or power outage.

9/8

SONOMA READY

Sonoma County invites the community to participate in Sonoma Ready Day, a countywide emergency preparedness fair. Free event offers emergency preparedness resources, demonstrations, short lectures, emergency vehicle displays and tools to educate and empower community members to withstand and recover from disasters.

9/22

FIRE WEATHER WATCH

Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E) says it might proactively turn power off for safety within the next 48 hours. This morning the most likely shutoff targets are in the Sierra Foothills, but PG&E says they are CLOSELY monitoring conditions in the North Bay. They have activated their Emergency Operations Center, and they will have spokespeople available.

9/23

PG&E POWER SHUTOFFS

Sonoma County is planning to activate Emergency Operation Center at 9AM for the possible PSPS. The Santa Rosa Schools District has also sent a letter to parents with their contingency plans.

9/24

NORTH BAY FIRE PREPS

North Bay Counties were able to avoid a PSPS yesterday but they're not in the clear yet. It is possible there will be a PSPS today due to high fire danger. A red flag warning went into effect last night for the north and east bay hills and the high for Santa Rosa is expected to peak at 103.

9/24

SONOMA OUTAGE PREPS

Rumors are flying around Santa Rosa about outages caused by PG&E Safety Shutoff. PG&E says not true. One was a malfunction when a Safeway store tried to power up their generator. Another was a blown transformer in Rohnert Park. PG&E doing its best to quell the rumors and social media posts, but people are on edge as they face another day of uncertainty.

Diversity:

7/12

BREED ICE RAIDS

Mayor London Breed, Assembly member David Chiu, City officials, immigrant rights advocates, and community members will hold briefing in advance of announced raids by Immigration and Customs Enforcement to reaffirm the City's policies, and educate residents about their rights and available immigration resources.

ICE RAIDS

Immigration attorneys have confirmed reports of ICE raids in Contra Costa and Santa Clara Counties over the past few days. Multiple vigils and protests are planned across the Bay Area today. Jackie will be live from the ICE HQ in SF where a vigil will be held.

ICE FRIDAY

Len continues our coverage of the ICE enforcement activity set to take place this weekend. He's covering a Rapid Response Network Press Conference in San Jose and will front his PKG at a vigil in Palo Alto this afternoon.

ICE RAIDS CANAL ALLIANCE

Wilson heads to the Canal Alliance in San Rafael to see how they and immigrant families there are preparing for the ICE enforcement activities.

OAKLAND ICE

Community activists and undocumented people from all over Alameda County are coming together to hold a vigil at Oakland City Hall at 5 PM to oppose ICE raids this weekend.

7/15

AMAZON BIKE PROTEST

Protest and delivery of petition with 270,000 signatures calling on Amazon to cut ties with ICE, as part of actions in 9 cities across the country for Prime Day, Amazon's high profile and busiest shopping day.

7/30

ASIAN AMERICAN VIOLENCE

San Francisco Supervisor Gordon Mar calls on the Police Dept. to release demographic data on violent and property crime targeting the Chinese community.

8/2

BAY POINT VANDAL ARREST

Contra Costa County Sheriff's office has arrested a suspect in what they are now calling a hate crime. They had originally called it a case of vandalism. A Bay Point resident woke up to broken window; a rock had been thrown through it, a racial slur spray painted across a trailer at her home and a crude swastika drawn on her garage.

PLEASANTON SYNAGOGUE FIRE

Rabbi Raleigh Resnick jumped into action when fire broke out at Chabad of the Tri Valley. He raced to get into the temple to rescue the Torah. He says the cops and fireman chased after him, and had to threaten him with arrest. But then firefighters went in and saved the three scrolls.

8/14

MARIN FIRE TAX

Marin County supervisors voiced their support Tuesday for a wildfire prevention initiative that would create a new property tax to raise \$20 million annually and a new joint powers authority to oversee the effort.

8/23

SAN BRUNO HATE CRIME ARRESTS

Three suspects in custody in suspected hate crime. The victim is a teenage male who was visiting a female acquaintance at her San Bruno home when members of her family arrived. Three of the family members restrained the victim using rope, held him against his will, assaulted him multiple times, and threatened to kill him. The victim reported that throughout this attack, the suspects yelled at him using multiple racial slurs, and he believed his race to be a motivating factor in the attack. The victim is African-American, and the suspects are of Hispanic descent.

8/25

SILICON VALLEY PRIDE

44th Annual Silicon Valley Pride LGBTQ Parade and Festival in San Jose. There have been some added security measures this year, but John's focus is going to be on the parade/festival itself.

8/30

SICK MIGRANT DEPORTATION |

Maria Isabel Bueso came to the US from Guatemala for a clinical trial for the treatment of her rare disease. Now she's facing deportation. Her doctors call it a 'death sentence.' She lives in the bay area. Tonight we talked to her congressman Mark DeSaulnier about the case.

9/20

HIJAB COMPLAINT

A 13-year-old Bay Area girl is demanding that Air Canada change its policies, after she was forced to remove her hijab on a flight from SFO. She was traveling with her U.S. National Squash teammates at the time, in route to an international tournament in Canada.

9/27

SJ PLANNING COMMISSION

East San Jose fights zero representation on SJ Planning Commission at a time of severe displacement and rapid gentrification and years without equitable racial representation. The Alum Rock Corridor on the east side is the only place in San José that has "form based coding," meaning the Commission often makes the final decisions, not just recommendations for many of these projects.

Environmental Issues:

7/2

HEAT AND MUSSELS

Last month's heat wave appears to have taken a devastating toll on a sea creature that is foundational to the marine ecosystem. Researcher finds thousands of dead mussels along the rugged Northern California coast after unusually hot temperatures cooked them to death.

7/9

GILROY QUARRY FLAP

A controversy brewing in the South bay where investors want to build a 320-acre sand and gravel mine near Gilroy that could generate 40 million tons of materials to make cement for Northern California construction projects. Environmentalists and Native Americans are fighting the plan, with one calling it the West Coast version of Standing Rock.

7/9

TUBBS TOXINS

San Francisco Firefighters Cancer Prevention Foundation (SFFCPF) became concerned about the level of toxic chemical exposures firefighters were facing at the Tubbs Fire. Firefighters on the front lines were exposed to a multitude of toxic chemicals with little to no protection.

7/10

BERKELEY NATURAL GAS BAN

Berkeley to consider prohibiting natural gas in new buildings.

7/11

GARBAGE VALLEY

Is Silicon Valley becoming "Garbage Valley"? A number of residents are complaining about the amount of garbage piling up in the tech haven. Where is the garbage coming from? Who is responsible for cleaning it up?

7/11

VALLEY FAIR REINVENTION

When the newly-expanded Valley Fair Mall comes online next year, the busy shopping center will not only be bigger, but greener, according to the mall owners, Unibail-Rodamco-Westfield, known as URW. Valley Fair Mall will be outfitted with new solar panels as part of a larger mission to cut the company's carbon emissions by 50 percent by 2030.

7/11

HALF MOON BAY SHARKS

A number of Great White Sharks were spotted in the waters near Half Moon Bay yesterday. Devin will see if people are staying out of the water and maybe get lucky enough to get drone video of the sharks.

7/16

CLIMATE HEAT WARNING

According to a report released Tuesday by the Union of Concerned Scientists: "Killer Heat in the United States: The Future of Dangerously Hot Days" shows that if nothing is done to stop the rise of temperatures, it may be blistering for many days each year, especially in Solano County and parts of the East Bay and North Bay.

TAHOE OVERFLOW

Over the past month, runoff from a melting snowpack has filled Tahoe up to its rim, and the beaches on the reservoir straddling California and Nevada are shrinking. The sixth-largest lake in the country is stunningly beautiful in all its blue-water glory, but sand is scarce.

7/25

CA EMISSIONS DEAL

Four major automakers have reached a deal with California air regulators to gradually increase fuel efficiency standards, rebuffing the Trump administration's efforts to relax tailpipe pollution regulations.

7/30

FUEL SPILL CLEAN UP

The gas tanker spill on Lucas Valley Road is larger than first reported. On Sunday, CHP was saying 200-250 gallons seeped into the dry creek bed but now it's being estimated that 2,100 gallons actually spilled. The road was closed overnight and partially reopened Monday morning but now the cleanup begins and the trucking company will be on the hook for what may be a very costly soil remediation operation.

8/2

SFO WATER BOTTLES

Starting Aug. 20, travelers catching a flight at San Francisco International Airport won't be able to buy single-use plastic water bottles. The new rule - which exempts flavored water - will apply to restaurants, cafes and vending machines in the airport.

DREDGE DELAYS

The Petaluma River is filling with silt. Boats have not been able to navigate it for 5 years. It is way overdue for a dredging. Even though the ACE spent \$600 K to prepare for a dredge, the city is frustrated the work isn't happening.

8/6

RECYCLE CENTER CLOSES

The state's largest recycler goes out of business. More than a fifth of the recycling centers in the state have closed in the past year. The price of recycled plastic, glass, and aluminum is decreasing, and the state program meant to help recycling centers survive fluctuating prices isn't keeping up.

8/13

ENDANGERED SPECIES

The Trump administration on Monday extended rollbacks of the nation's environmental laws to the Endangered Species Act, a cardinal conservation program that's helped keep wolves, whales and condors, among scores of other critters, flourishing across the West.

8/20

SALT POND DEVELOPMENT

Bay Area elected officials, and community organizations will hold a press conference to unveil high-profile and widespread opposition from Federal, state and elected regional officials to pending development being pursued by DMB Associates and Cargill Salt Co. on Bay wetlands in Redwood City.

8/22

AMAZON FIRES

Environmental organizations and researchers say the wildfires blazing in the Brazilian rainforest were set by cattle ranchers and loggers who want to clear and utilize the land, emboldened by the country's pro-business president. Farmers and ranchers have long used fire to clear land, said Poirier, and are likely behind the unusually large number fires burning in the Amazon today.

8/23

BURLINGAME PARK

More than 1,800 Bay Area residents have signed a petition to transform a 9-acre open space property on the Burlingame Bay Shore into a nature park. The Burlingame Shoreline Park would offer residents direct access to the Bay and opportunities to hike, picnic, bike, kite surf, and kayak.

8/30

ALGAE BLOOMS

Contra Costa Environmental Health (CCEH) encourages anyone planning to boat or enjoy the water in or around the Sacramento-San Joaquin River Delta this weekend to stay safe and avoid harmful algae blooms (HAB). A bloom is a buildup of blue-green algae (cyanobacteria) that creates a green, blue-green, white or brown coloring on the surface of slow-moving waterways. Contact can make people or pets very sick.

8/31

GARBAGE PATCH SWIMMER

Endurance swimmer Ben Lecomte is returning to shore in San Francisco today after completing a 300-nautical mile swim in the Pacific Ocean, a portion of that swim was through the great pacific garbage patch in order to raise awareness.

9/17

POTUS CALI EMISSIONS

President Trump is expected to revoke a decades-old rule that empowers California to set tougher car pollution standards than those required by the federal government — putting the state and the administration on a path to years of fighting in court. The move, which has been in the works for much of the last three years, would overturn the foundation for California's role as an environmental leader in reducing greenhouse gas emissions and improving air quality.

SJ ELECTRIC BUILDINGS

Mayor Sam Liccardo and Councilmembers Raul Peralez, Lan Diep, Magdalena Carrasco, and Dev Davis will join to announce their proposal to require new construction of buildings in the City of San José to be electric. If approved, San José will become the largest city in the nation to pursue these bold efforts to significantly cut its greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions.

9/18

REUSABLE CUPS

A first in California - today Berkeley launched a pilot program to keep 41 million single-use disposable cups out of landfills every year. Caffè Strada is now serving coffee in reusable stainless steel to-go cups that can be returned and washed.

9/18

SAN FRANCISCO EPA VIOLATIONS

President Trump says the EPA will be "putting out a notice" of violations in San Francisco related to its homeless population. He claims a tremendous amount of waste, including needles, is going through storm drains into the ocean. Mayor Breed responded in a statement that in San Francisco we are focused on advancing solutions to meet the challenges on our streets, not throwing off ridiculous assertions as we board an airplane to leave the state

Housing and Homelessness:

7/1

BILLIONAIRE BUY-UP

The co-founders of WhatsApp have reportedly bought up a combined \$143.3 million in houses in Palo Alto and Atherton, using their billions to form residential “compounds” made up of clusters of single-family homes.

7/2

TRUMP DIRTY SF

President Trump says he wants to address the crisis of people on the streets, telling Fox News in an interview that his administration “may intercede” to clean up cities such as Washington, San Francisco and Los Angeles.

7/4

SANTA ROSA HOMELESS

Homeless encampments on a central Santa Rosa trail and underneath a downtown highway overpass are the latest to find themselves in the city's sights, with plans in motion to clear out residents in those problem areas by the end of the month.

7/5

SENIOR HOUSING

Richmond, Heritage Park senior housing has close to 200 units. Owner wants to increase rent 5 percent. Seniors say they can't afford the increase since most are on fixed incomes.

7/10

HOMELESS RVs

A new RV encampment has sprung up in San Mateo County, with a twist - apparently a lot of them are construction workers, who are staying in RVs so they can be closer to their job sites. New numbers show the homeless population has jumped in San Mateo County, primarily because so many people are living in RVs.

7/11

HOME DEPOT EVICTIONS

People living in RVs will be forced to move when the city of Oakland closes a dead-end street behind the Home Depot store in Oakland's Fruitvale District. The Oakland City Council unanimously voted Tuesday night to close the 600 and 700 block of 37th Avenue for eight months in an effort to alleviate crime and illegal dumping in the area. Home Depot has agreed to pay for the fence to block the street. The store has been urging the city to remove homeless encampments from the area.

7/16

FREMONT NAVIGATION CENTER

Fremont's first homeless navigation center will either be at a parking lot behind city hall downtown or on surplus city property next to a plant nursery in the northern part of the city. By a 6-1 vote last Tuesday, the council decided to explore placing the center at one of those two sites, after considering 11 possible sites chosen by city staff, and hearing from dozens of people who gave their opinions on the locations.

FREMONT NAVIGATION CENTER

A huge crowd turned out for tonight's special meeting... many were opposed to the plant nursery location. They are concerned about schools, parks and the number of residents living in the area...A final vote is to be taken later in the year..

7/20

HOMELESS SAFE PARKING MEETING

Homeless RV and car dwellers may finally be able to park and rest. City officials have proposed a Balboa Park site for the first "triage center" site for people living in their vehicles. A community meeting is being held today at Balboa High School to allow residents to weigh in on the plan.

7/22

EPA HOUSING

As East Palo Alto seeks to increase its stock of affordable housing, it is revitalizing its below-market-rate housing (BMR) program with the help of East Palo Alto Community Alliance Development Organization (EPA Can Do). The city in February brought back the nonprofit organization to administer the program, analyze East Palo Alto's current BMR housing stock, develop a housing database and ensure that homeowners in the program are in compliance with the city's ordinance. EPA Can Do, which has built and maintained affordable housing in East Palo Alto since 1989, is already making inroads. In May, the organization purchased a BMR unit at 1765 Bayshore Road and on July 15 offered it for sale through a lottery.

8/5

SJ DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT

A development company buys a gas station at a prominent downtown San Jose corner with plans to construct a housing tower with hundreds of residential units.

8/6

SEBASTOPOL HOUSING

Sebastopol will likely ban any "non-hosted" vacation house rentals at its Council meeting tonight. The city has so little housing now that it recently denied a couple's request to use a house as a vacation rental property because it cannot afford to lose even one house for residents. The ban would include any rental of a home where the owners were not also on site for more than 30 days per year.

8/7

NAVIGATION CENTER BILL

Challenging the construction of new Navigation Centers in California is now significantly harder, after lawmakers and Gov. Gavin Newsom quietly passed legislation intended to speed up creation of the service-rich homeless shelters statewide. New law ends appeals for new Navigation Centers.

8/13

WATERFRONT ATTACK

A woman was attacked outside her apartment building along SF Embarcadero Sunday morning. Opponents of a plan to build the SF Navigation Center say it's more evidence of the growing homeless/criminal activity on the waterfront, and they say building the Nav. Center will only make things worse.

8/21

SAN MATEO COP HOUSING

After a San Mateo police officer began sleeping in his van to avoid his 85 mile commute from Oakley, the city has a new plan. On Monday, the San Mateo City Council unanimously approved a plan to convert a portion of an old fire station into a sleeping barracks for far-flung officers who can't afford the average \$1.4 million Peninsula home.

8/27

SJ GRANNY UNIT BOOM

San Jose is making an effort to fast track granny unit permits. It's been notoriously difficult to get these units built. The number of Permit applications shot up 1500% in the last few years. Combined with forgivable loans from Housing Trust, there should be a granny unit boom coming.

RWC MONSTER HOMES

After watching as an increasing number of developers raze starter homes in order to build "monster homes" for maximum profit, Redwood City is trying to protect the city's landscape and its diverse population. Redwood City Council voted to require that new homes that cover 40 percent of a lot or are a minimum of 3,000 square feet go before the planning commission for review.

8/30

MOBILE HOME SALE

A huge mobile home park in Sunnyvale has been bought by a Chicago-based real estate company, in a deal that points to ongoing strength in Silicon Valley's housing and job markets.

8/31

RENT CONTROL DEAL

Governor Newsom reaches a deal with apartment owners and developers on legislation capping how rapidly rents can rise as the state grapples with a housing crisis. The deal would cap annual rent increases at 5% plus inflation, with a 10% maximum increase. That's lower than the 7% threshold lawmakers had previously negotiated amid strong resistance from the real estate and development industries.

9/1

SANTA CRUZ BEACH HOMELESS

Thousands of tourists headed for Santa Cruz this Labor Day weekend will be sharing the sand with the homeless who have pitched their tents on the town's most popular beach. Santa Cruz Police admit they are 'unable to enforce any type of camping ordinance.

9/6

MOUNTAIN VIEW RV'S

A new proposal being floated in Mountain View would allow private landowners to welcome RV's with homeless people to park on their property. The city hopes this plan will get hundreds of RV's off the streets

9/7

HOMELESS PARK TAKEOVER

Homeless people are camping out at Madison Square Park in Oakland's Chinatown. Chinese seniors who regularly use the park are afraid for their safety and are essentially kicked out of the park. They can't use it anymore due to all the homeless hanging out there.

9/10

NAVIGATION CENTER VOTE

After backlash from residents, tonight Fremont is voting on where to put a navigation center. A huge crowd packed the council meeting and filled an overflow room and people were camped outside.

9/17

AL CO MOBILE HYGIENE

Fremont, Newark, Alameda County, and several community partners will launch the CleanStart Mobile Hygiene Program to provide shower and laundry services to the community's homeless neighbors. A 50-foot truck and trailer is fitted with two bathrooms with showers, and three washer/dryer units. Each service site the unit is transported to will be open for 3 to 4 hours.

9/17

GRANNY UNITS START UP

A pair of young Silicon Valley entrepreneurs have created a start-up called Abodu that offers prefab ADU's, or granny units, that can be dropped into people's backyards to provide quick additions to the housing stock. Many who have tried to build their own ADU's have been frustrated by the red tape and permitting hassles and this attempts to solve that problem. The units are about 500 square feet and cost around \$200,000.

9/18

PROJECT HOME - AFFORDABLE HOUSING

A story of mass displacement is calling into question what's really "affordable" in the Bay Area tonight.

9/24

MT. VIEW RV BAN

Expecting fireworks this afternoon over RV Ban Rally/Vote. Council will vote on a pair of ordinances so restrictive that street parking of oversized vehicles will be ended.

9/24

ANTI HOMELESS BOULDERS

About two dozen boulders now sit along a half-block stretch of sidewalk on Clinton Park, a residential side street near Market and Dolores streets in San Francisco. They are apparently meant as barriers to keep homeless people from camping out.

9/24

RV BAN

Mountain View City Council votes to set policy on the RV's lining its streets. Councilmembers voted to pass a ban on oversized vehicles on narrow streets... Also on streets with striped and designed bike lanes.

Transportation:

7/1

NOON TRANSBAY TRANSIT CENTER REOPENS

Salesforce Park reopens to the public on Monday. The \$2.2 billion-dollar Transit Center and rooftop park closed six weeks after opening after workers discovered two cracked steel beams last September. Muni and Golden Gate Transit will provide bus service from the street level bus plaza in early July. AC Transit's 26 Transbay bus lines, Greyhound and Westcat Lynx anticipate service from the bus deck to resume in late summer 2019 following operator training and rider notice.

7/5

SFO RIDESHARE WAITING LOT

After a month of gridlock and a lot of complaints, San Francisco International Airport is about to tinker with its rideshare pick-up strategy again. Officials have a new plan they hope will ease the traffic around SFO caused by the crush of Uber and Lyft drivers picking up arriving domestic passengers that has been filling a congested area on East Millbrae Avenue. A new waiting lot will open up on the north side of the airport with the hopes that it will ease traffic.

7/19

DIVERGING DIAMOND INTERCHANGE

A new kind of freeway interchange is coming to California. It's called a diverging diamond. To enter the freeway, the cutting-edge interchange requires drivers to veer at a 45-degree angle across the center divide, switching sides with opposing traffic and briefly motoring across as if they are in England.

8/2

BART TICKET CHANGE

Pretty soon every station will be Clipper-only stations so BART riders will need everyone to purchase a reusable, reloadable plastic Clipper card. BART will begin transitioning four stations into Clipper-only stations in an effort to phase out the paper tickets.

8/6

MUNI TUNNEL NIGHTTIME SHUTDOWN

Starting next week, MUNI is shutting down subway service every night at 9:30pm in order to perform "critical maintenance". They will run buses to replace the streetcars.

SMART CLOVERDALE

SMART says it needs voters to approve a 30-year extension of the sales tax measure or the agency will be broke by 2024. But even if that happens there will still be no money for the promised extension north to Cloverdale. But that was a promise that helped garner voter support for the original approval. And now board directors are starting to acknowledge that Cloverdale may never get the service it was promised.

8/13

BART HWY 24

Major track work in Contra Costa County will require multiple weekend shutdowns and eastbound lane closures on highway 24. The first of six scheduled weekend track shutdowns between the Orinda and Walnut Creek stations will happen this weekend (August 17-18) to allow for major track replacement work funded by voter-approved Measure RR on BART's busiest line

8/22

COMMUTE TIMES

Bay Area commuters have the second toughest trek in the entire country getting to work, shopping areas, the dentist and a not-so-simple night out for a movie and maybe dinner afterward. That's a few conclusions of this year's Urban Mobility Report.

8/22

AB 5 BATTLE

In the face of a looming deadline, Uber and Lyft are throwing tens of millions of dollars behind their fight to treat drivers as independent contractors in California. The ride-hailing companies will commit \$60 million on a statewide initiative to create an alternate classification for drivers that would include some employee protections and a guaranteed minimum pay.

9/11

CENTRAL SUBWAY DELAY

We learn the Central Subway isn't supposed to open until the mid-2021 ... 2 more years! The subway was supposed to be done before the Chase Center opened ... now it won't be available for the Warriors' whole first season, and part of next season.

9/25

BART TO SJ DELAY

BART to downtown SJ is getting pushed back 4 years. They had been aiming for 2026, but now it's looking more like 2029 or 2030. Some of that delay attributed to the "single bore" tunnel design, first of its kind in the US, 6 miles long, 56 feet wide. Trains will go side by side with a platform in the middle.

Black Renaissance is a 30-minute weekly KPIX public affairs program that airs Sunday's at 11:00AM every fourth week. Black Renaissance aired on these dates during the 3rd Quarter, 2019:

July 21

We did not air Black Renaissance during its regularly scheduled date due to an error at the ingest hub in Atlanta.

August 18 (BR taped on 7/21)

Author/Sportswriter MARCUS THOMPSON shares details from his newest book, 'KD, Kevin Durant's Relentless Pursuit to be the Greatest.'

Leah McGowan-Hare, senior director at Salesforce and Denzel Russell communications and administrative associate at the Hidden Genius Project talk about 'Trailhead,' an event hosted by Salesforce that brings together students and professionals in the tech industry.

Certified security expert ANTHONY BYERS shares tips to keep homes and businesses more secure and disaster preparedness in California where earthquakes are a constant threat.

BRENDA KNIGHT and DORA SMITH from the organization 'Ladies in Red' talk about their upcoming trip to the National Memorial for Peace and Justice in Alabama.

September 22

Black Renaissance was taped but did not air due to a technical error (segment not recorded). The August 18 episode was aired instead.