

# SFMTA Energy Use by Vehicle Type: Transit Investments vs Life Cycle Costs



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## Outline of the Talk

1. SFMTA – what we do
2. Quantified capital and State of Good Repair needs
3. LCA factors versus traditional funding considerations
4. Energy consumption by vehicle type

***Your challenge; what public policy changes do you envision to bring LCA forward?***

# SFMTA Today – Agency Background

- **Multi-modal transportation agency; planner, designer, builder, operator:**
  - Transit, Paratransit, Pedestrian & Bicycle Networks
  - Street Network, Signals & Systems
  - Parking Supply & Management
  - Station & Neighborhood Area planning/development review
  - Taxi Administration



## Travel Demand Management

### STRATEGY 1



*Travel Choices  
& Information*

### STRATEGY 2



*Demand Pricing*

### STRATEGY 3



*Transit-Oriented  
Development (TOD)*

5%

17%

4%

5%

9%

10%

50% gap to reach target (389,000 metric tons CO<sub>2</sub>)

2035 GHG Reduction Target: decrease GHG emissions to 1,023,000 metric tons of CO<sub>2</sub>

### STRATEGY 4



*Transit Improvements*

### STRATEGY 5



*Complete Streets*

### STRATEGY 6

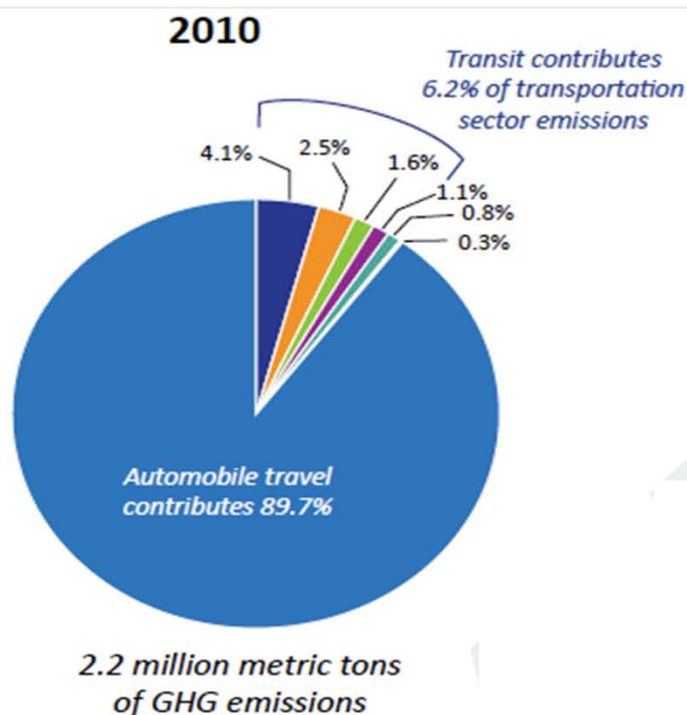
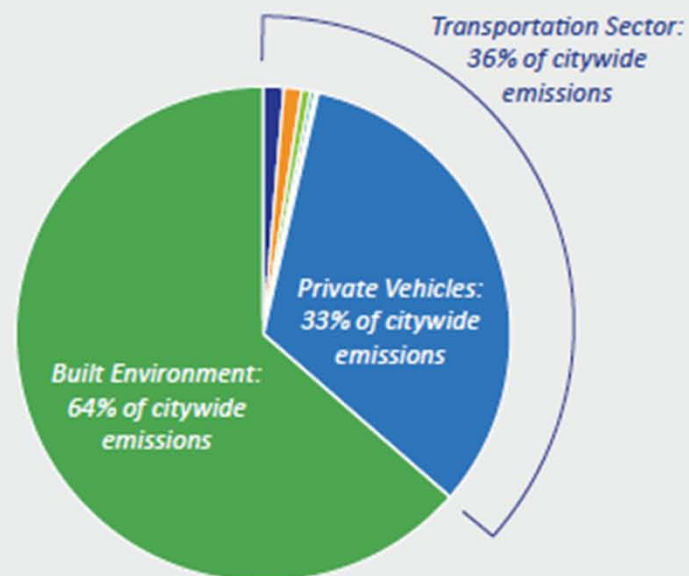


*Electric Vehicles*

# Sustainability Strategies-Citywide

**Table 4: Estimated Emissions in Metric Tons of CO<sub>2</sub> by Sector in San Francisco, 1990 to 2010<sup>24</sup>**

	1990	2010	Change
Municipal Fleet	80,000	88,000	10%
SFMTA (buses & rail)	68,000	53,000	-22%
All Transit	135,000	133,000	12%
Private Vehicles	1,810,000	1,934,000	7%
Transportation Sector	2,020,000	2,155,000	7%
Built Environment	4,080,000	3,760,000	-8%
Total	8,193,000	8,123,000	-1%


**Figure 3: 2010 Citywide GHG Emissions<sup>25</sup>**


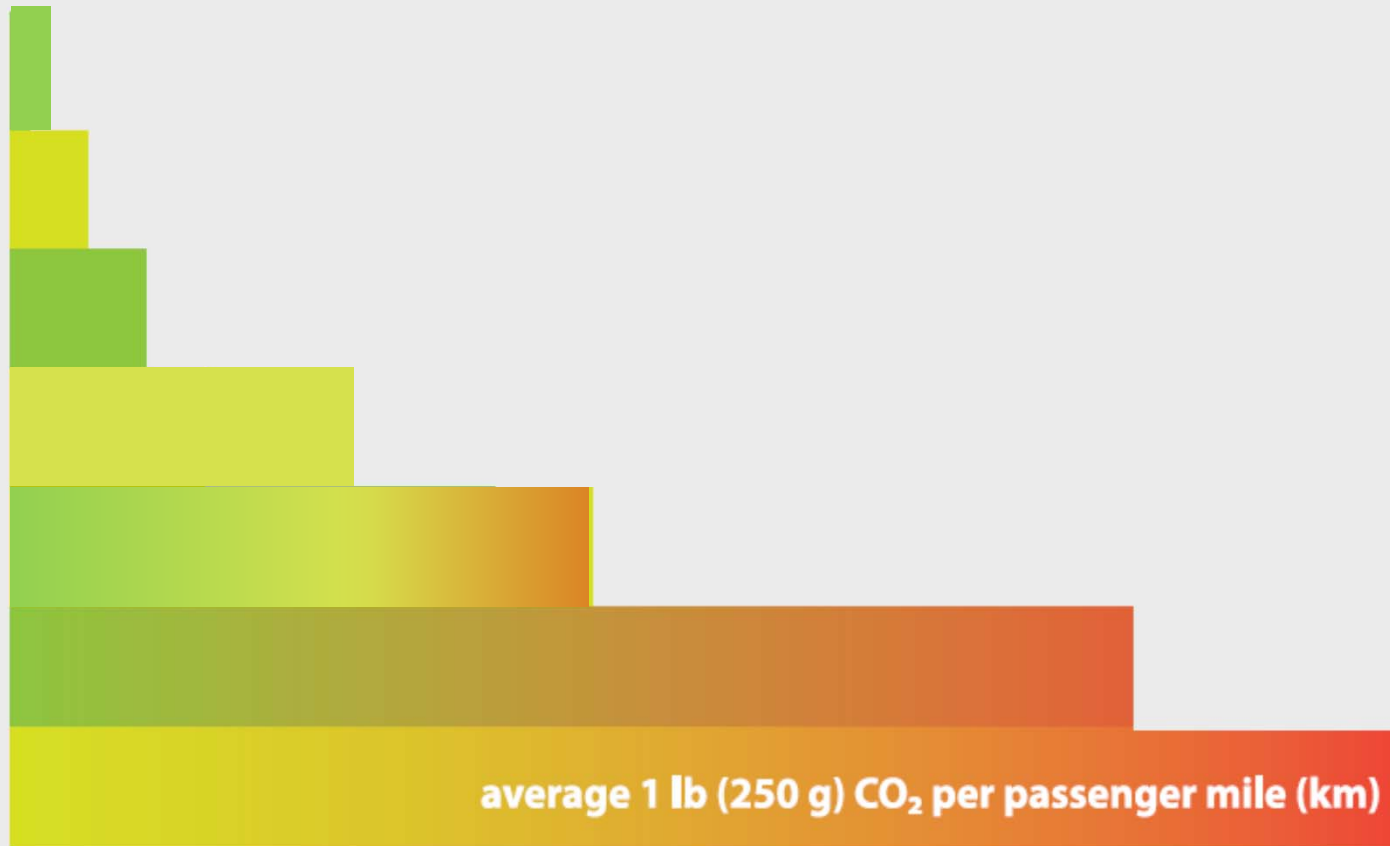
Municipal Fleet:	1.5%
SFMTA (buses and rail):	0.9%
BART:	0.6%
Ferry:	0.3%
Caltrain:	0.4%
Regional Bus:	0.1%
Private Vehicles:	32.7%
Built Environment: (Residential, Commercial, Industrial and Municipal uses)	63.6%



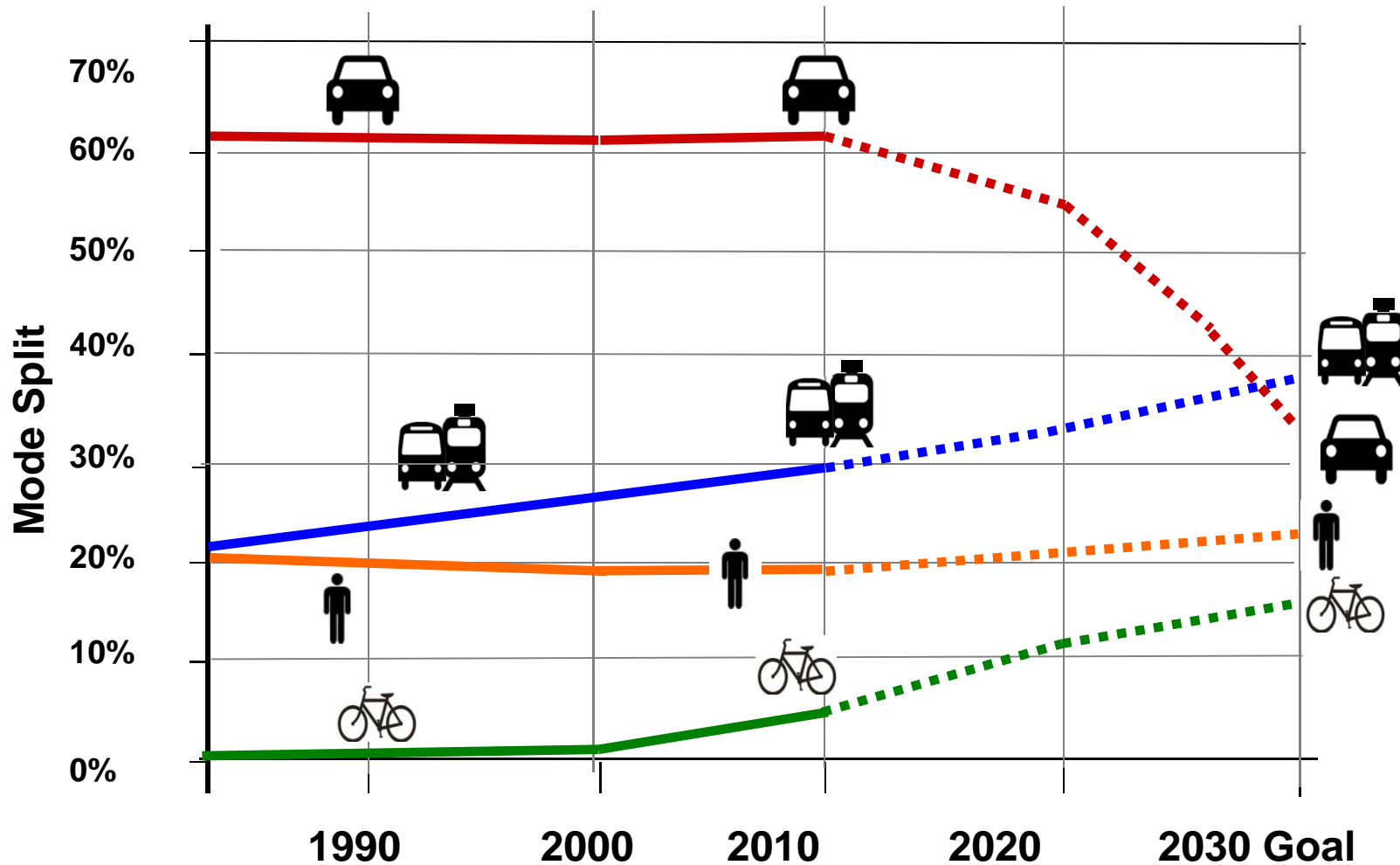
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## SF CO<sub>2</sub>e Per Passenger Mile

Most



**Modal Analysis- bike, walk, transit is most efficient**



**Bold Sustainable Mobility Goals**



TOD and Infill

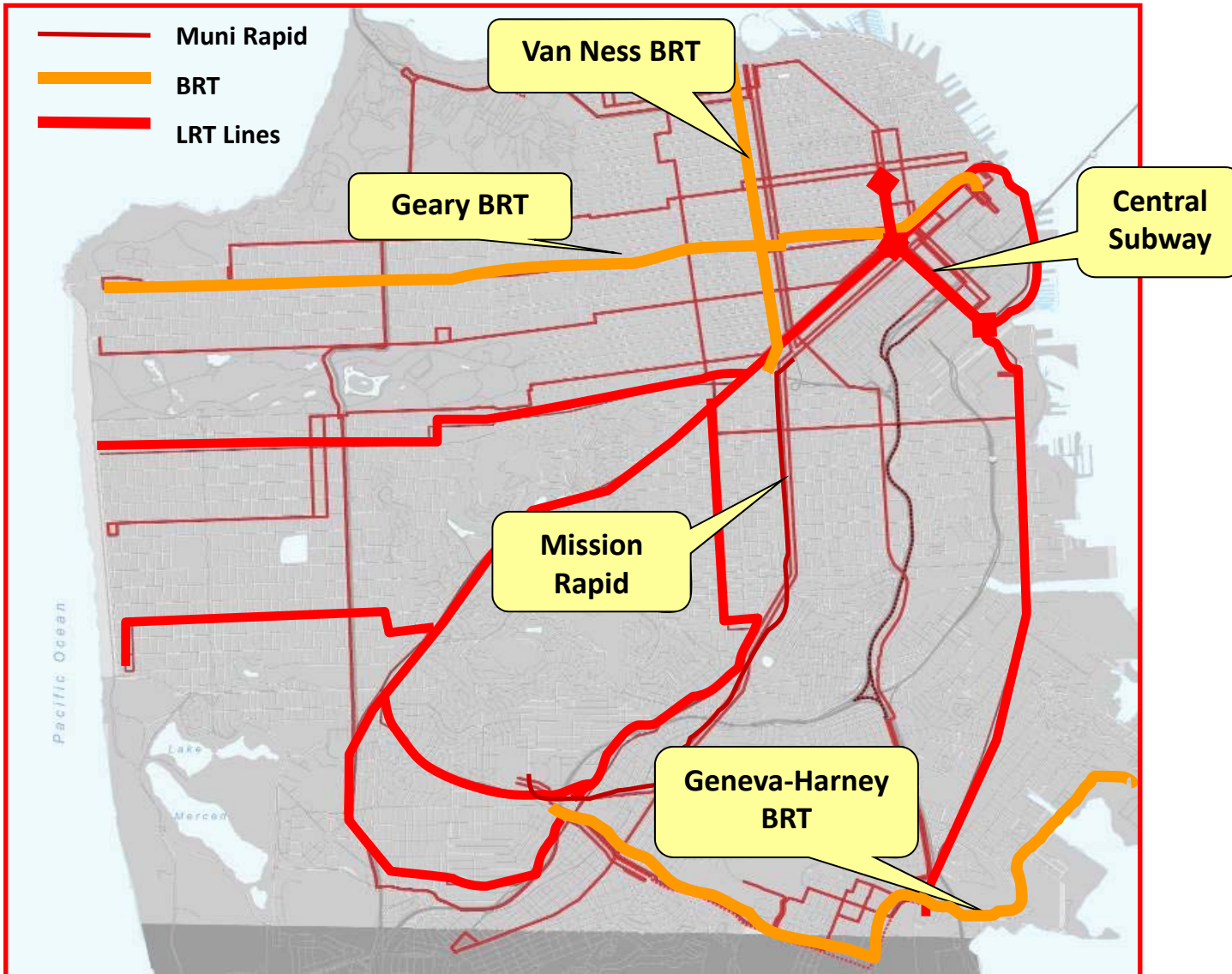
# Combined Land-use/Transportation Policies





# Sustainable Mobility - Local and Regional Transit Integration

# Current Rapid & Future BRT Network





# SFMTA Capital/Operational Needs

1. Capital sources: Federal 60%, State 18%, Local 22%

20 year agency needs of \$24 billion

2. Operating: Parking revenue 35%, Farebox 26%, Gen Fund 25%,  
Op Grants/other 14%

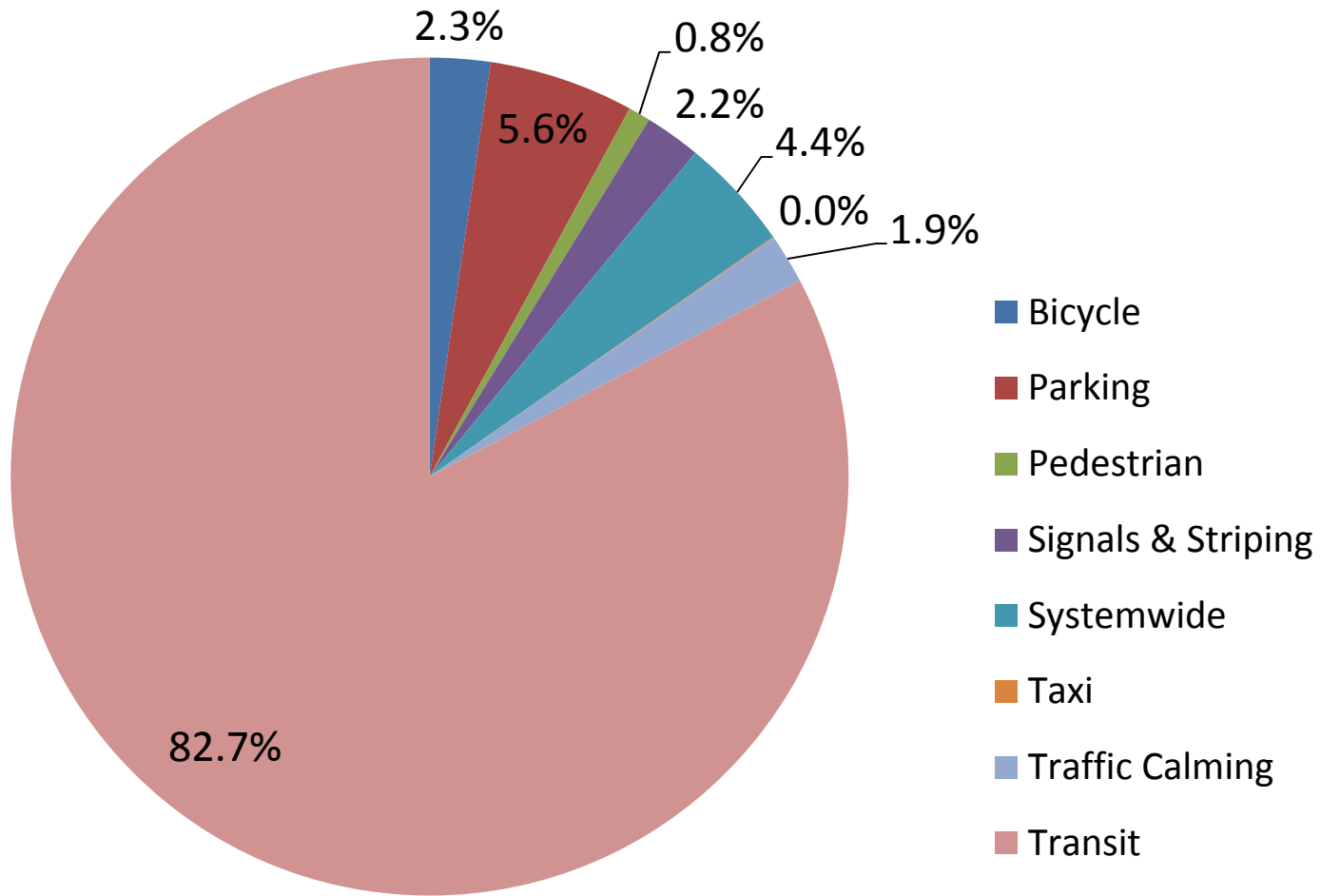
\$800 million annual operating budget

*Life Cycle Analysis is absent from today's investment decisions*

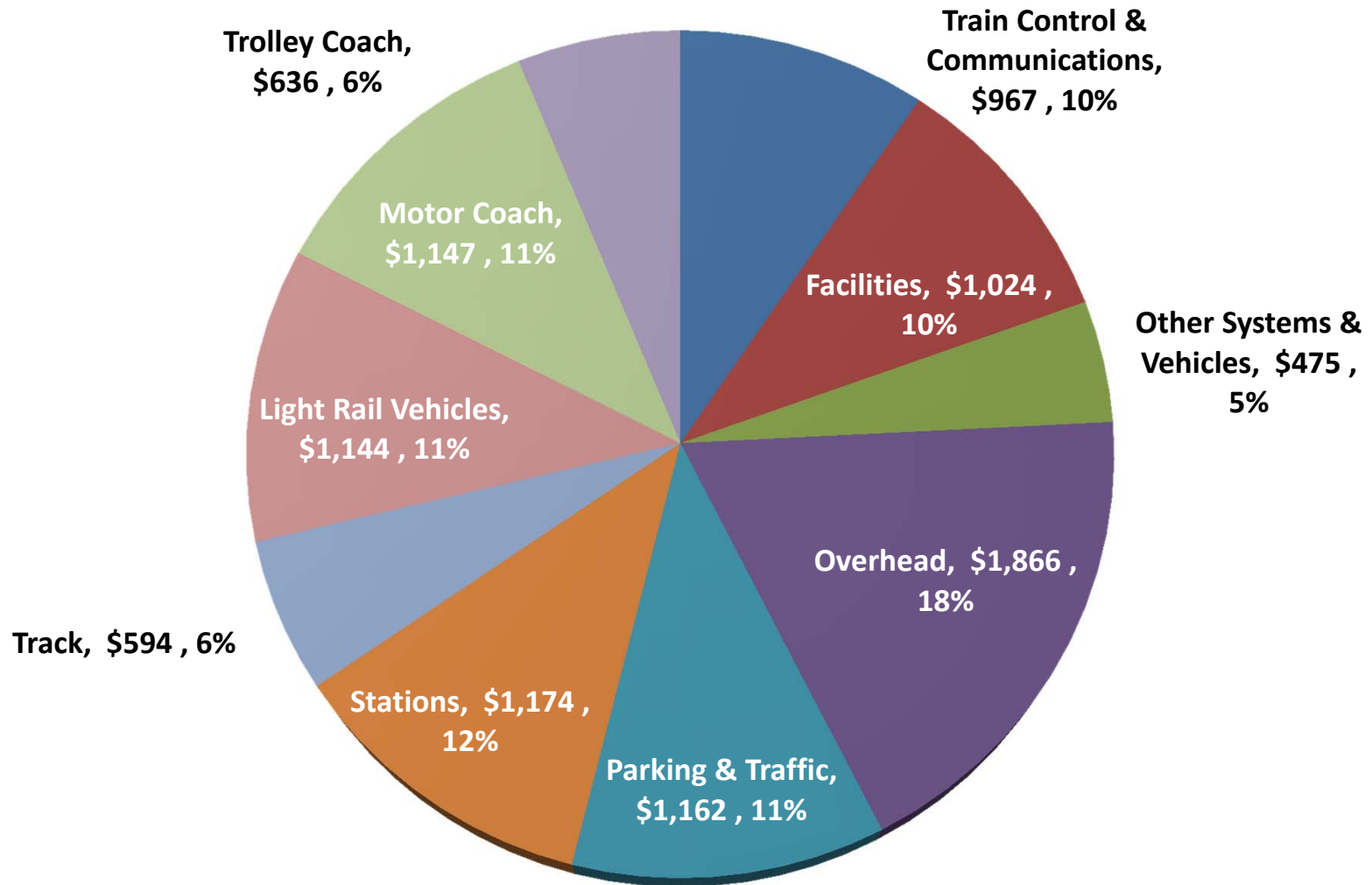


# Capital Needs by Mode

## 20 year need = \$24 billion



### 20-year needs = \$10.2 Billion



# Life Cycle Analysis vs Transit Funding

## LCA Considerations

- total cost over project life
- cumulative energy consumption
- cumulative env. impact
- asset payback period/ROI
- public benefit, internalized societal costs
- sustainability of investment (i.e. solar v fossil fuels)

## Traditional \$

- age of the asset to be rehabilitated
- verified deferred maintenance
- fleet management plan?
- condition of the asset to be replaced
- project's conformity w FTA's spare ratios

*How can we make policy changes to direct \$ toward LCA?*

## Transit Vehicle Stats and Energy Use

- **SFMTA moves the city population (750,000 trips) each day**

### Five Vehicle Types:

### Daily Ridership:

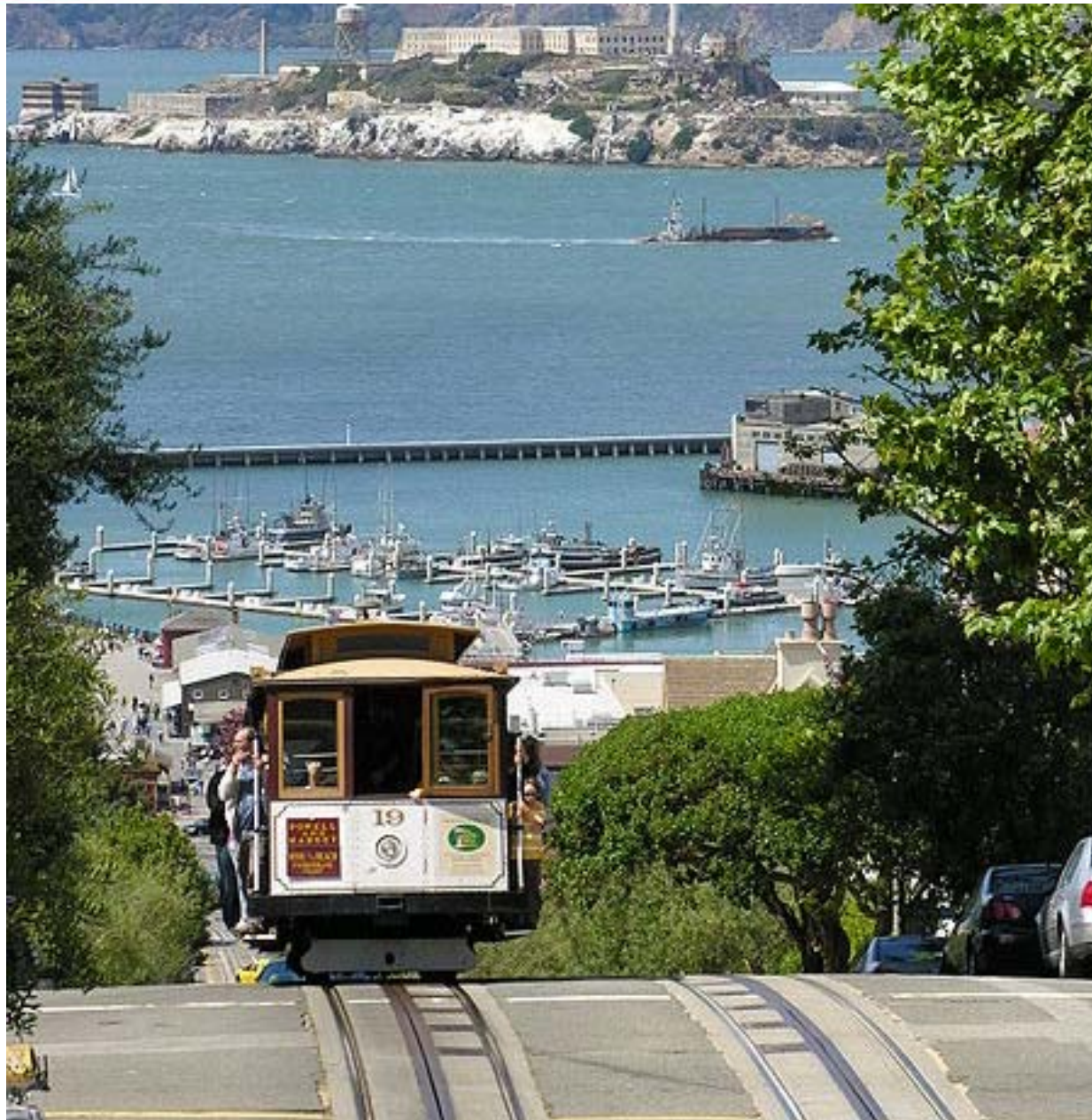
<b>512</b>	<b>Motor coaches (Biodiesel)</b>	<b>300,000</b>
<b>313</b>	<b>Trolley coaches</b>	<b>247,000</b>
<b>151</b>	<b>Light Rail Vehicles (LRVs)</b>	<b>160,000</b>
<b>40</b>	<b>Cable Cars</b>	<b>27,500</b>
<b>35</b>	<b>Historic streetcars</b>	<b>20,000</b>

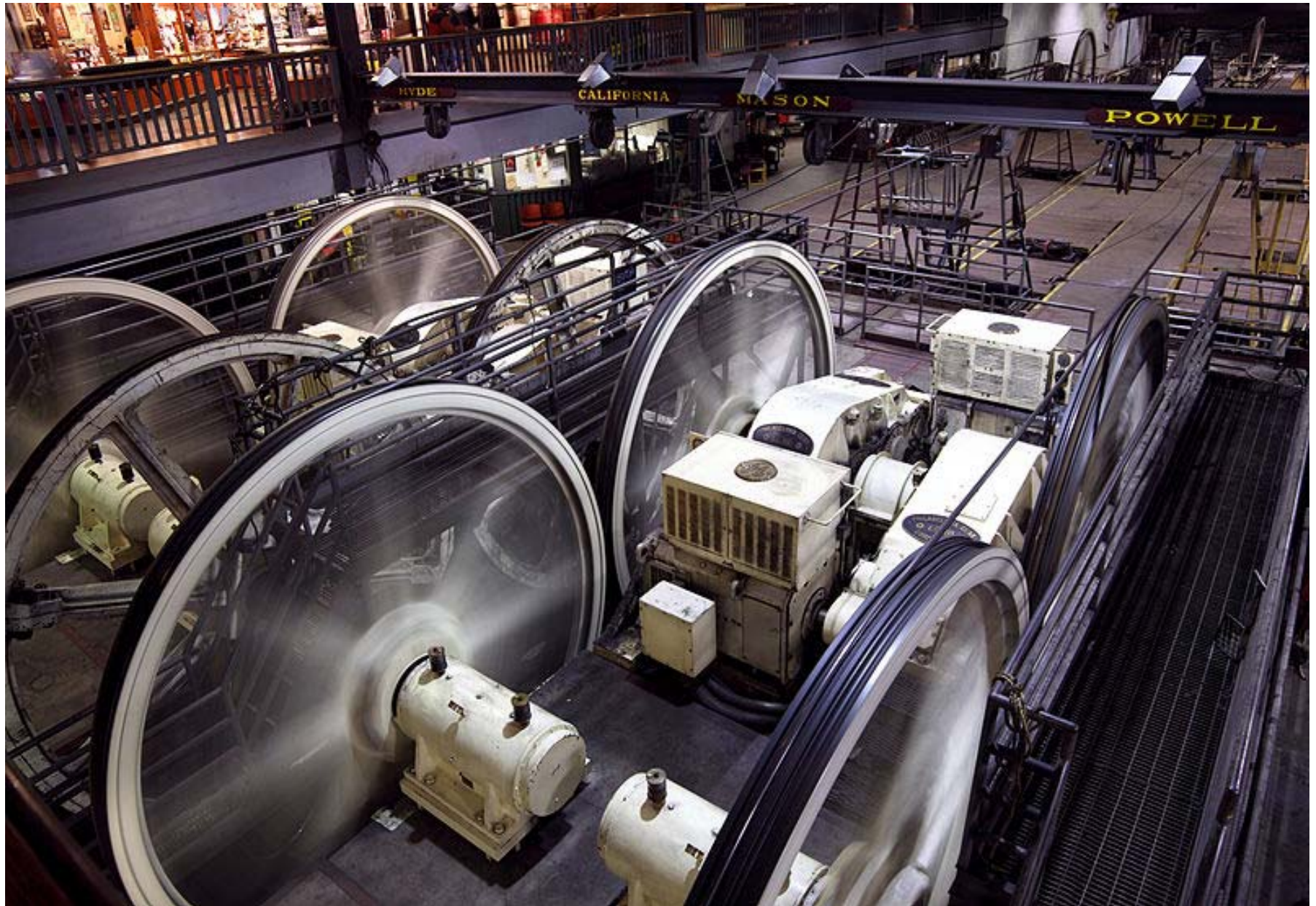
“zero”  
emissions

*Note: Energy – LRVs, CC and Historic all = 5 kWh per mile*















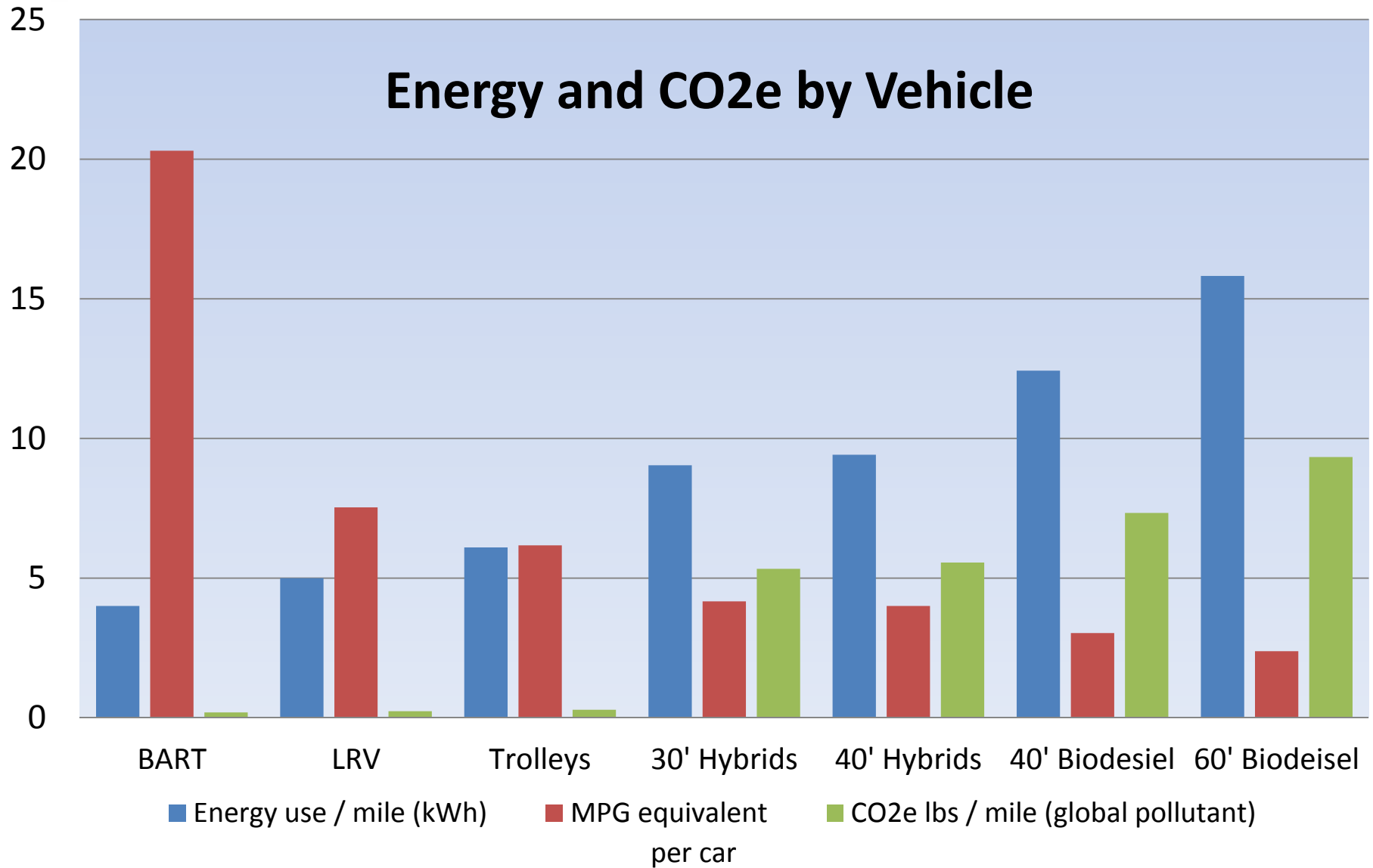




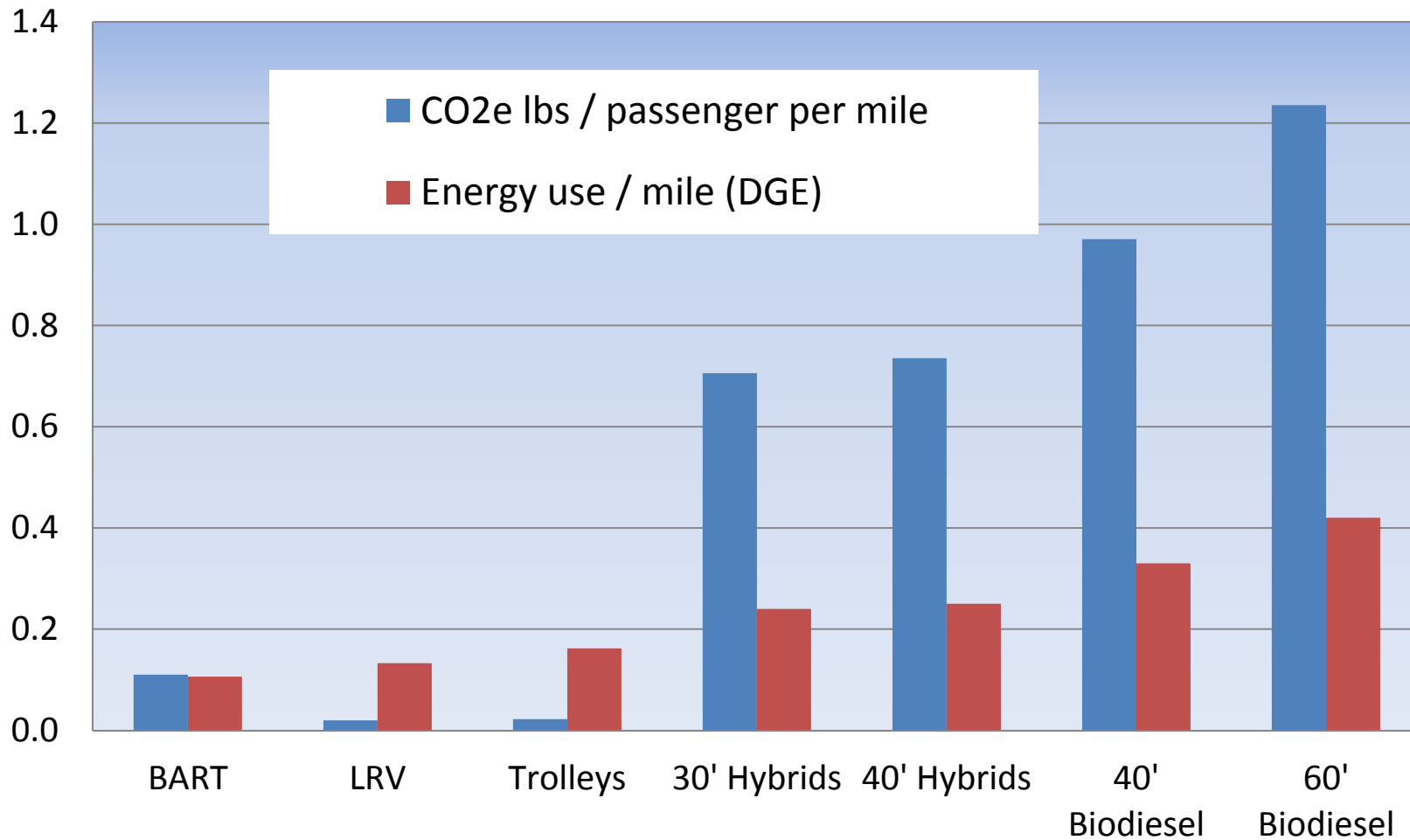


SFMTA Vehicle Energy Use / Cost / Emissions Estimates by Mode									
	Mode							SFMTA	
	BART	LRV	Trolleys	30' Hybrids	40' Hybrids	40' Biodiesel	60' Biodeisel	Totals	Table notes:
Vehicles Per Mode	669	151	313	30	56	290	130	970	Virgil Dennis, Senior Maint. Controller, 10-
			(140-73)					506	
CO2e lbs / passenger per mile	0.11	0.020	0.022	0.706	0.735	0.971	1.235		CO2 lbs per mile / Passengers per mile
Energy use / passenger per mile (kWh)	2.32	0.42	0.47	1.20	1.25	1.64	2.09		kWh per mile / Passengers per mile
Energy use / mile (kWh)	4.0	5.0	6.1	9.0	9.4	12.4	15.8		See notes below
Energy use / mile (DGE)	0.11	0.13	0.16	0.24	0.25	0.33	0.42		See notes below
MPG equivalent	20.3	7.53	6.17	4.17	4.00	3.03	2.38		Inverse of DGE / mile
Energy use / mile (joule)		18,000,000	21,960,000	32,538,240	33,894,000	44,740,080	56,941,920		See conversion factors below
Energy use / mile (BTU)		17,060	20,813	30,839	32,124	42,404	53,968		See conversion factors below
Energy cost / mile	\$0.20	\$0.25	\$0.31	\$0.72	\$0.75	\$0.99	\$1.26		See notes below
Cost per passenger-mile	\$0.33	\$0.02	\$0.02	\$0.10	\$0.10	\$0.13	\$0.17		Energy Cost per mile / Passengers per mile
PM lbs / mile (local pollutant)				1.03	1.03	1.03	1.03		Based on new engine certification
NOx lbs / mile (regional pollutant)				129	129	206	206		Based on new engine certification
CO2e lbs / mile (global pollutant)	0.19	0.24	0.29	5.33	5.56	7.33	9.33		See conversion factors below
Avg weekday passengers (mode total)	345,256	160,000	247,000			300,000		707,000	See Avg Wkday Pass. and Miles tab
Average Miles / Day (mode total)	200,000	13,356	19,088			39,709		72,153	See Avg Wkday Pass. and Miles tab
Passenger-miles by mode	1.7	12.0	12.9			7.6			Average Passengers / Mile
Pax miles (trips x ave trip length)	4,643,693	544,000	839,800			1,020,000		2,403,800	
Average daily miles by mode	299	88	61			78		228	Average Fleet Daily Miles / Vehicles
<b>Conversion Factors:</b>									
1 kWh = 3,600,000 joules		Source: SI conversion (International System of Units).							
1 DGE (B10) = 37.66 kWh		USDOT GREET Model conversion tables.							
1 kWh = 3,412 BTU		USDOT GREET Model conversion tables.							
1 kWh = 0.047 lbs CO2		Calculated from DepCAP 2009-2010 metric ton totals (from PUC)							
1 DGE = 22.22 lbs CO2		Calculated from DepCAP 2009-2010 metric ton totals (from Agency fuel records together with fuel vendor invoices)							
1 kWh = \$0.05		Cost for kWh based on FY2009-2010 SFMTA Finance records							
1 DGE = \$3.00		Cost based on B10 biodiesel and \$3.00 average from FY2006-FY2010 SFMTA fuel invoices.							
BTU = British Thermal Unit									
DGE = Diesel Gallon Equivalent									
<b>Calculation notes:</b>									
Passenger miles = total unlinked trips are multiplied by average trip length				3.4					
Emissions from liquid fuel is B10 biodiesel and represents tailpipe only.									
Emissions from electricity represents source (non-hydroelectric content ~ 1% of annual total).									
LRV energy use calculated by Nathan Grief, SFMTA Senior LRV Engineer, based on vehicle specifications and route performance.									
LRV does not include historic streetcars and cable car fleets (70 vehicles)									
Trolley bus energy use from on-board data collection logs taken by Albert Fang, SFMTA Fleet Engineering.									
Trolley bus number represents 40' and 60' fleets combined.									
BART emissions are system wide and 67% percent of BARTs electricity comes from hydro electric and renewable energy									
Hybrid bus and diesel bus fuel economy calculated by Enoch Chu, SFMTA Fleet Engineering, based on SHOPS records for fuel use by mode.									
<b>Projections:</b>									
Electricity energy mix will vary annually based on Sierra water reserves for hydroelectric (assume roughly 99% hydroelectric)									
Liquid fuel energy CO2 will decrease with higher blends of biodiesel (closed CO2 cycle - biogenic content)									

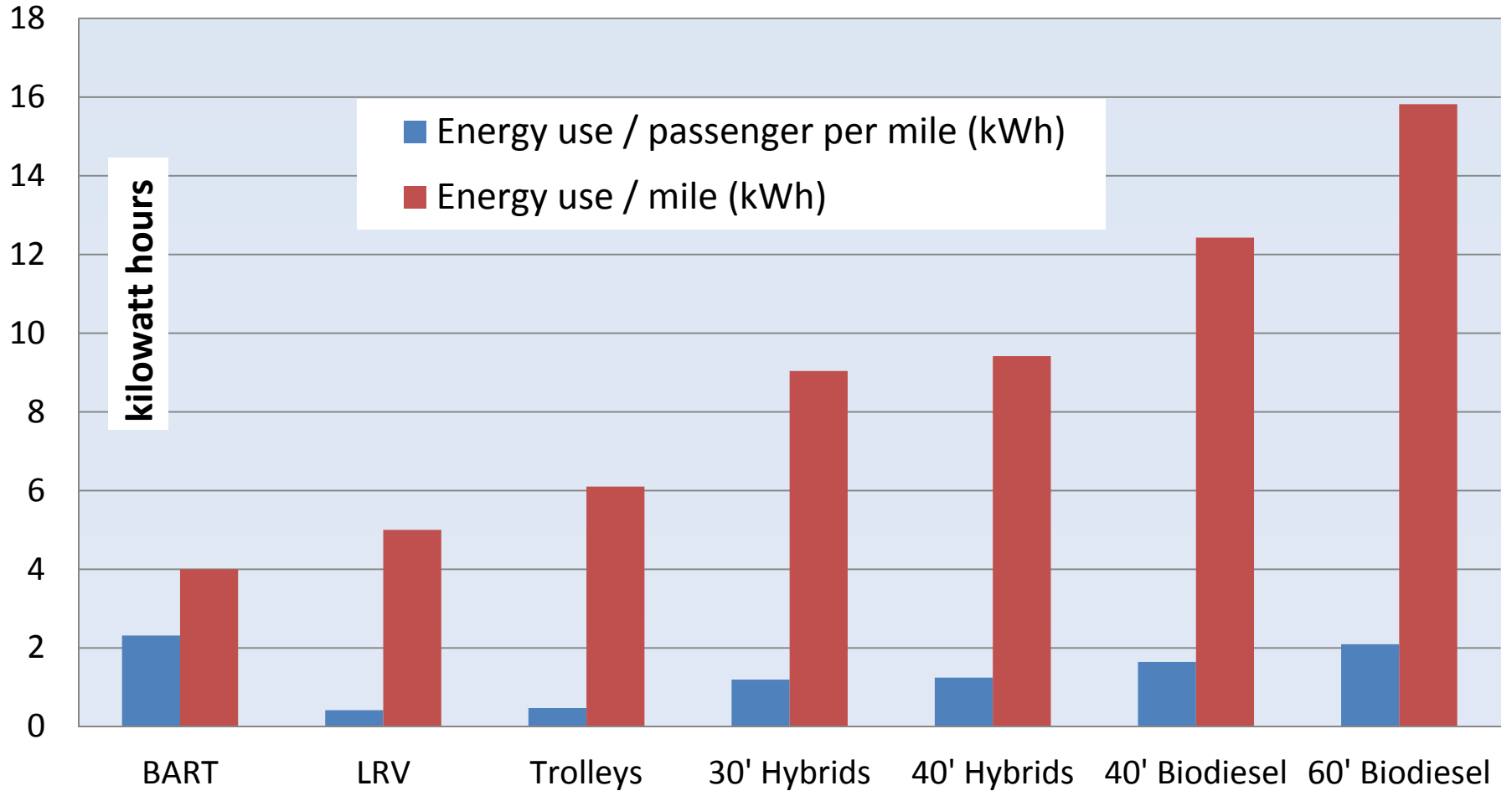
## Energy and CO2e by Vehicle



## CO2e and Energy (DGE) by Vehicle Type



## SF Vehicle Energy Usage (electricity)



**BART**

30-90 min peaks

4.6 million pax miles

350k daily pax

200k daily miles

0.5-1.0 load factors



SFMTA

3-4 hour peaks

2.4 million pax miles

750k daily pax

70k daily miles

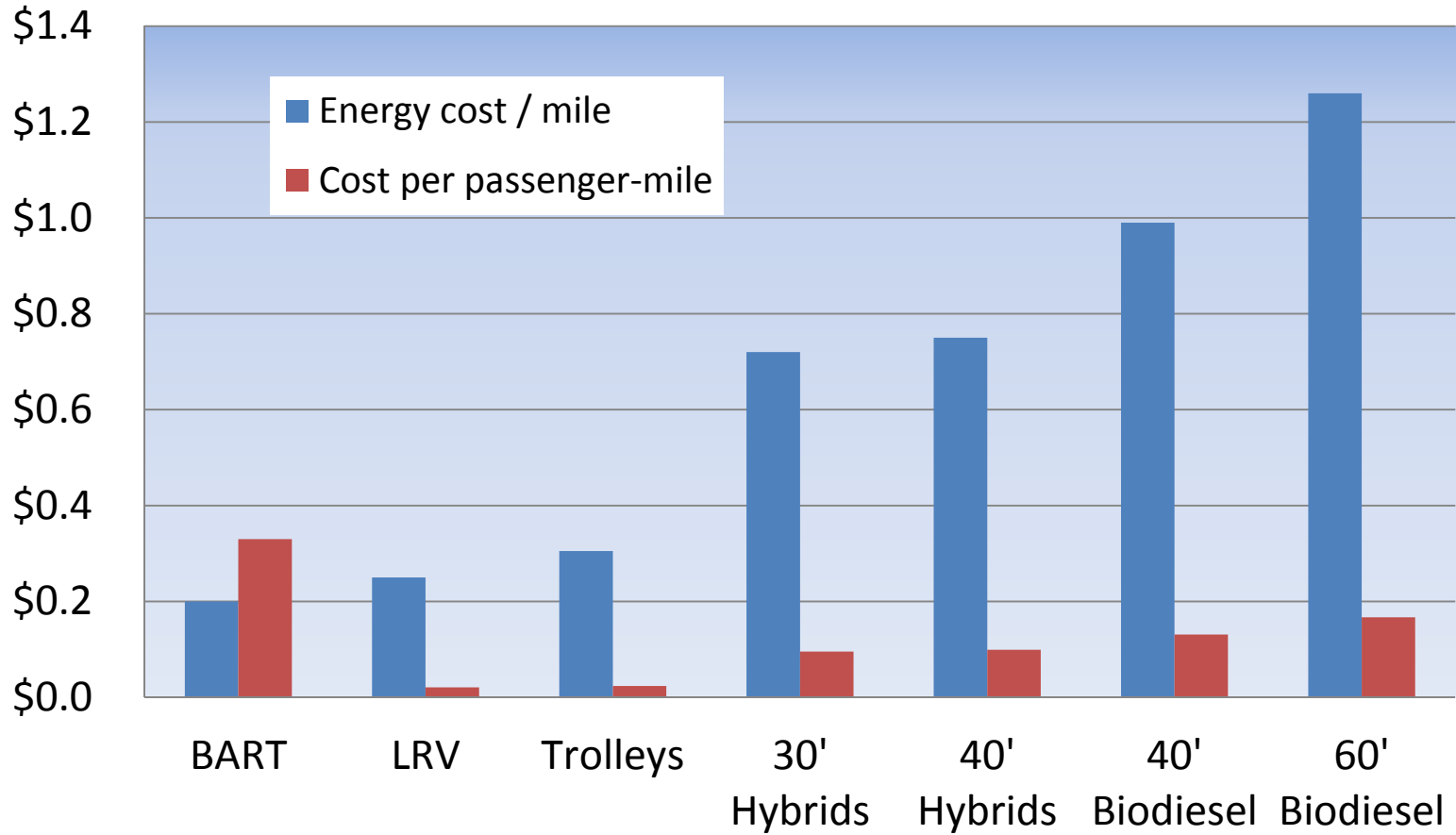
0.8-1.5 load factors



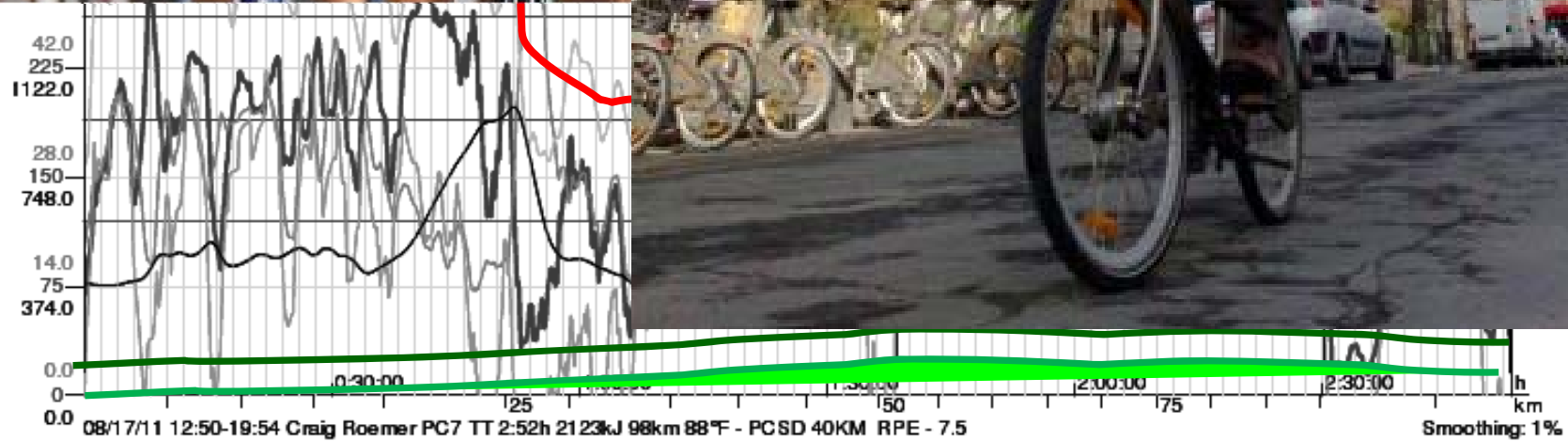
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### Energy Cost per mile & per pax mile









Commuters generate electricity by walking on special panel at Shibuya station in Tokyo.

## Conclusions

1. San Francisco is performing well in: land use, ridership, passenger load and energy efficiency
2. Electric powered transit vehicles pass all tests
3. An LCA pilot is needed on the SFMTA system
4. Policy changes are needed to incorporate LCA; such as?
  - LCA requirement in lieu of just Cap/Operational?
  - Air Quality/GHG assessments to include LCA?

**Thank you!**

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