

# Bay Area Toll Policy Experience

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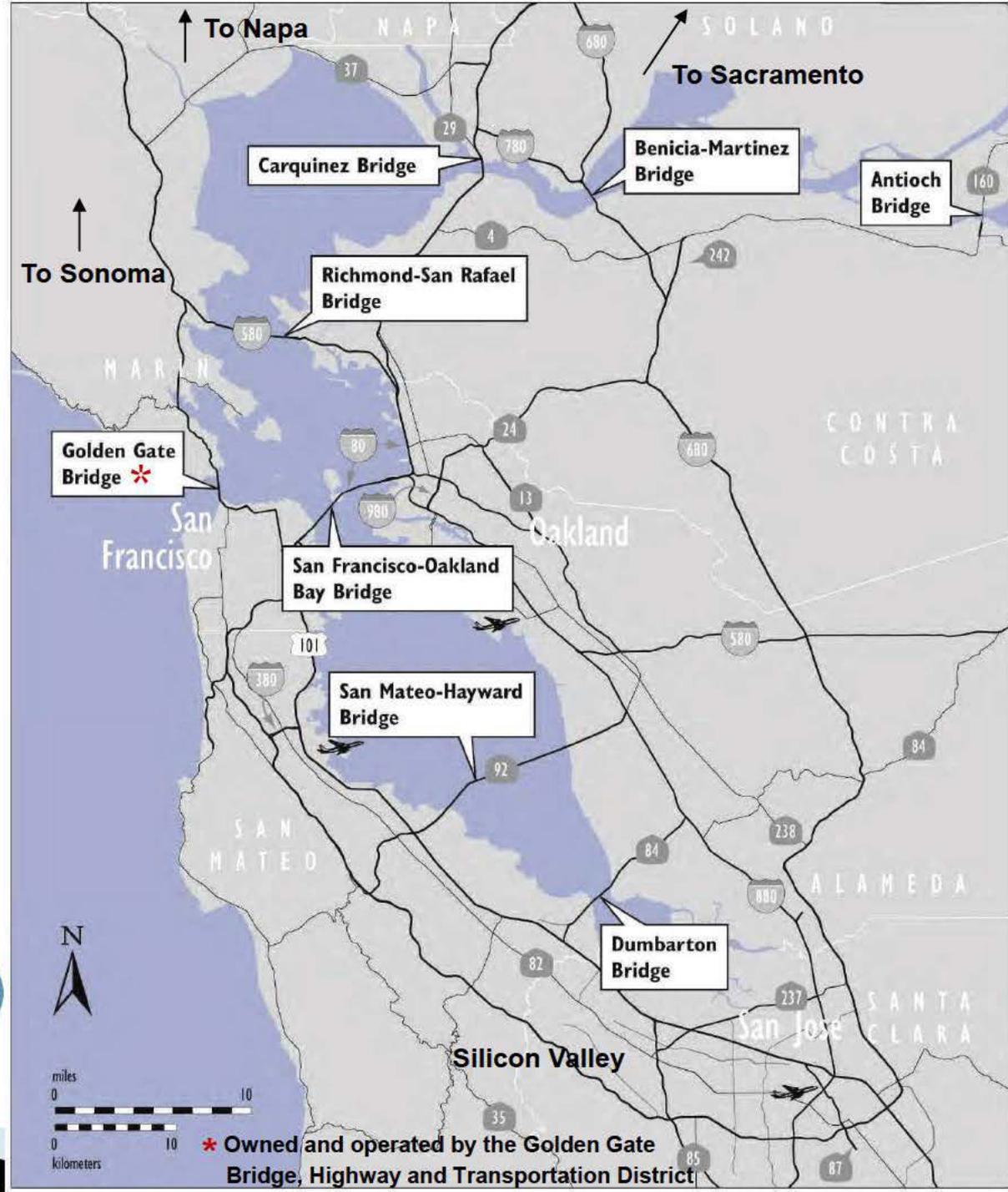


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# Bay Area Toll Bridges

## Bay Area Toll Authority (BATA)

- ▶ Created in 1997
- ▶ Toll / financing authority for 7 state-owned toll bridges
- ▶ Operates FasTrak® electronic tolling



# July 2010 Toll Increase and Bay Bridge Congestion Pricing

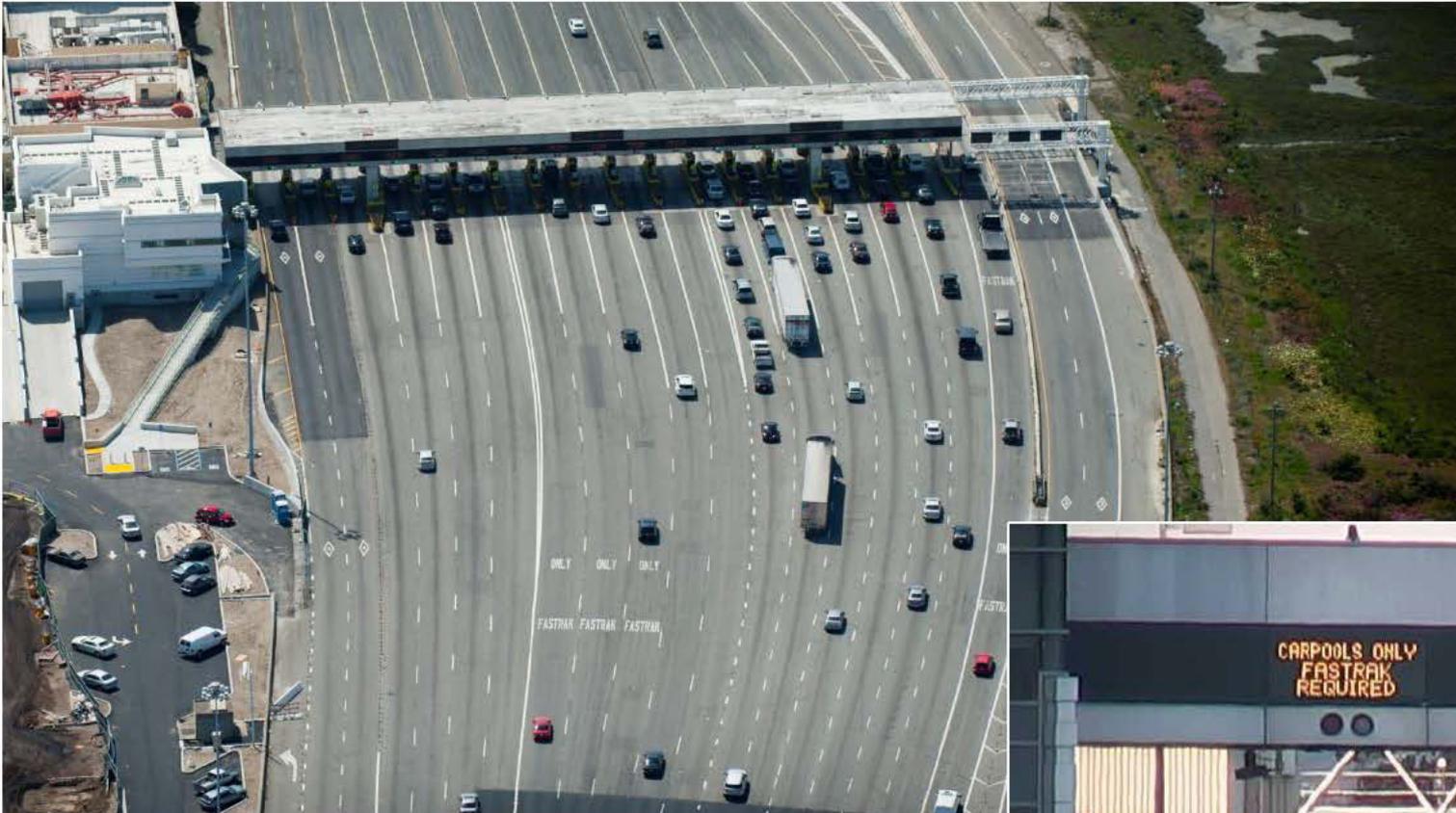
	<b>Base Toll Autos</b>	<b>Carpools (5-10AM, 3-7PM)</b>
<b>BEFORE 7/1/10</b>	<b>\$4.00</b>	<b>Free</b>
<b>AFTER 7/1/10</b>	<b>\$5.00*</b>	<b>\$2.50**</b>

\* Bay Bridge: weekday peak \$6; weekday off-peak \$4

\*\* Payable with FasTrak<sup>®</sup> only; must use designated lanes to obtain \$2.50 discount toll. Applies to all HOV-lane eligible vehicles under state law including, motorcycles and clean air vehicles with state decals.



# Bay Bridge Toll Plaza Carpool Lanes



 **LEFT  
LANE**

**CARPOOLS  
ONLY**

**5AM - 10AM  
3PM - 7PM**

**MON-FRI**

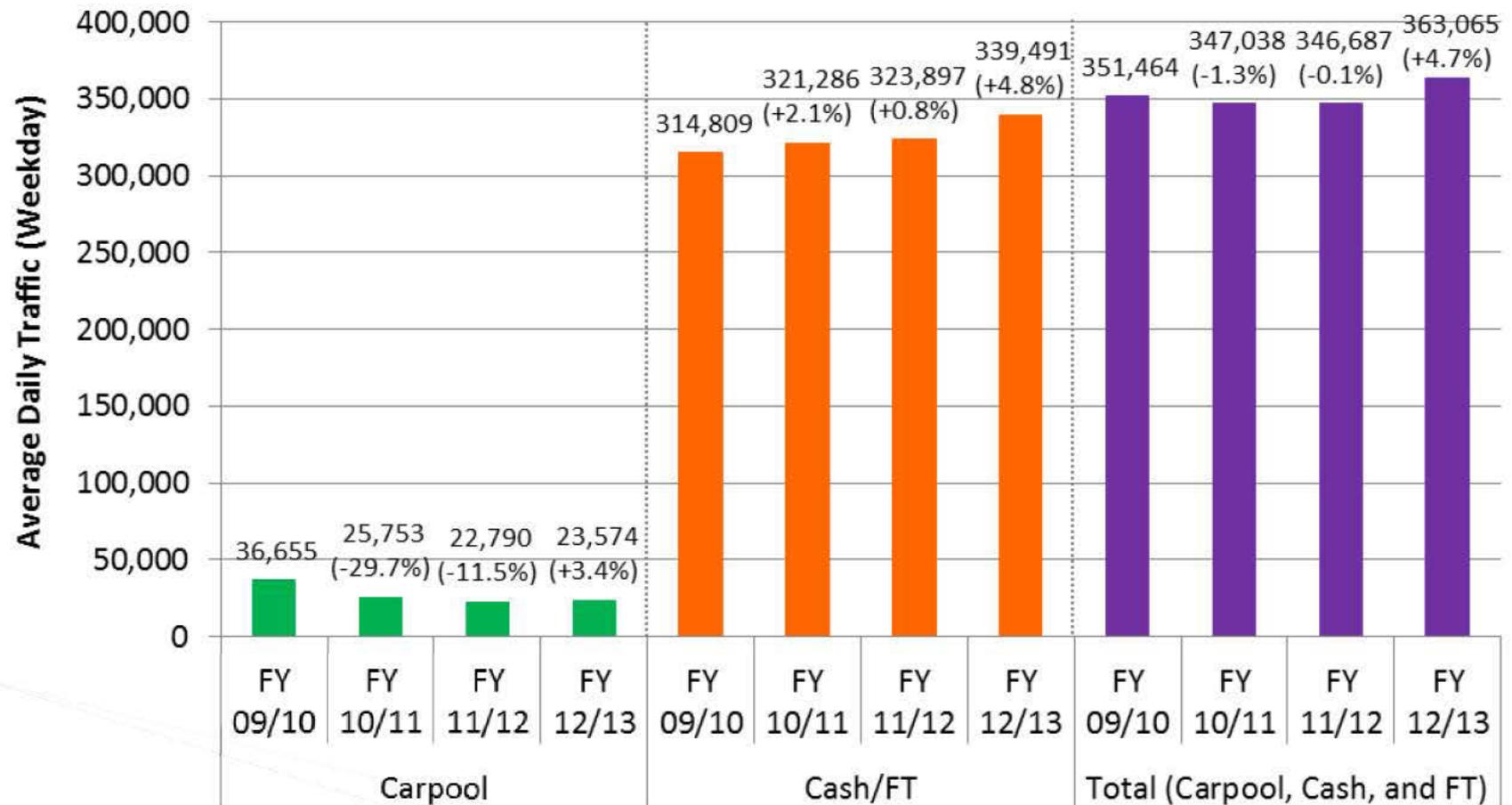
**FASTRAK  
REQUIRED**

**BRIDGE TOLL  
\$2.50**



# Toll Bridge Traffic Volumes before and after July 2010 Toll Increase

**Average Daily Traffic (Weekday)  
All Seven State-Owned Toll Bridges**

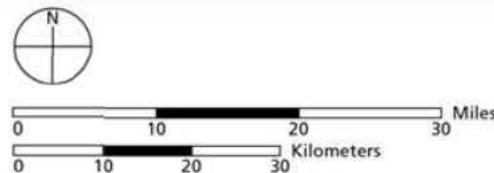


# BAIFA's Tier 1 Express Lanes

- ▶ Convert existing carpool lanes
- ▶ First segment open in 2016
- ▶ Dynamic pricing
- ▶ Carpools and buses free

## Tier 1 Projects

- == Currently open
- == Tier 1 projects underway
- == Remaining conversions
- Tier 2
- Previously authorized lanes: Santa Clara County and Alameda County



Tier 1 projects 2a  
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# Toll Tags Required for All Vehicles

Switchable  
Toll Tag



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California Highway  
Patrol will check  
occupancy



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Standard  
Toll Tag



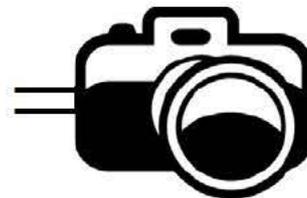
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No Toll  
Tag Read



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# Other Toll Policy Issues

## ▶ Hours of Operation

- Carpool lanes operate weekday peak periods only
- Route-237 express lanes operate peak periods only
- I-680 express lane operates all day (M-F, 5am-8pm)

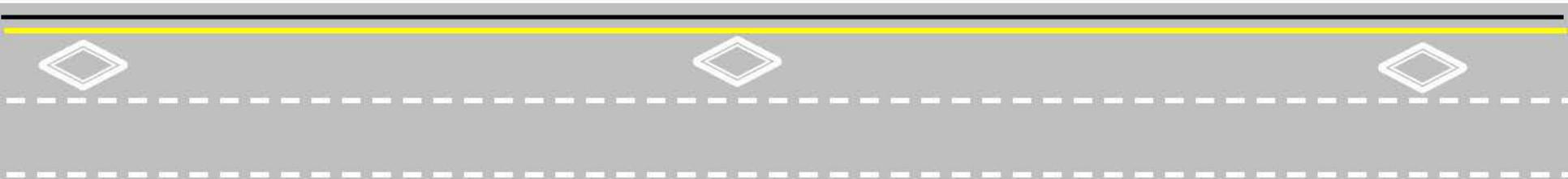
## ▶ Free Vehicles

- Buses
- Carpools
- Motorcycles
- Clean Air Vehicles

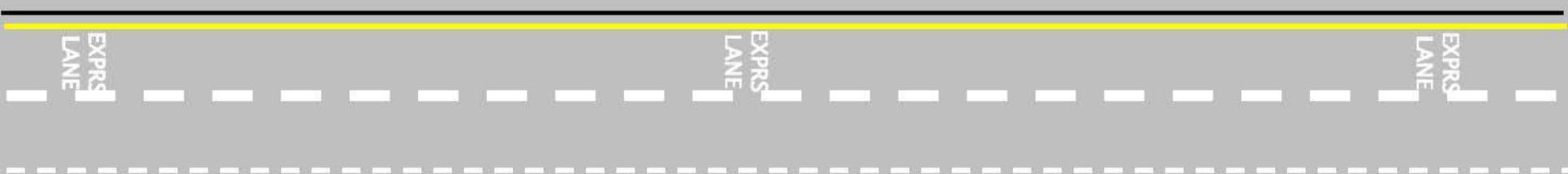


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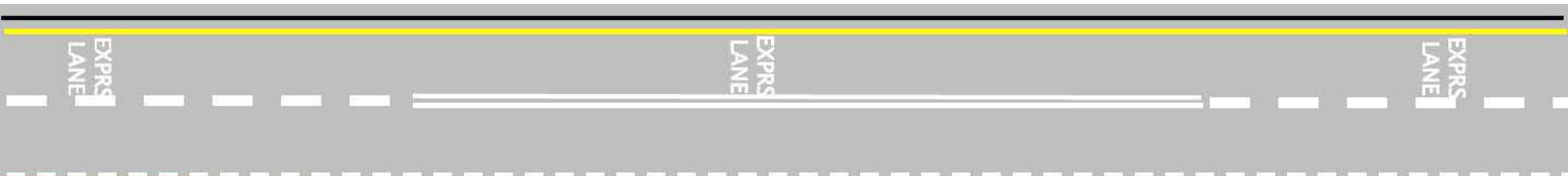
## Existing HOV Lane



## Express Lane Conversion



## Express Lane Access Restriction



# Questions

