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I live in the Bay Area and am dependent on BART and AC Transit. I echo the concerns raised by BART and AC. To the extent proposed the changes could significantly harm transit in my region, I could be forced to consider car ownership, which would not only significantly increase my own household emissions, but destabilize my household finances. I am also concerned that this will drastically reduce transit-oriented development. This will not only force people to buy a car and/or drive further, increasing ghg emissions through increased VMT, while increasing housing and transportation prices. The connection between land use patterns and emissions are well known (<https://cayimby.org/blog/the-biggest-move-in-climate-action-legalize-infill-housing/>). I echo concerns from other commentors that these amendments are taking funding from programs that work at reducing emissions to subsidize industry for less benefits than what we receive as a state by investing in underinvested communities through GGRF.