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**Subject:** RE: Reservoir EIR Transit Delay Re: RTC

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Hello,

This is to acknowledge receipt of this email.

Thank you.

**Jeanie Poling, Senior Environmental Planner**

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Thanks, Jeanie.

QUESTION: Before basically dismissing my transit delay comments, weren't your analysts interested in understanding transit delay from a MUNI Operations standpoint (vs. a Planners standpoint)?!

Did they even bother to talk to any of the Operators taking their layovers at City College Terminal?  
How about the Inspectors who deal with line management?

It's obvious to me that the Planners' operational knowledge is limited when they conflate "stops" with "timepoints."

Also, Planning Dept understanding of "substantial evidence" is faulty:

- I had presented an analysis of 43 delay from timepoint to timepoint based on Kittelson data. My analysis apparently was dismissed as lacking "substantial evidence." Yet because my analysis

(based on your own Kittelson data and official SFMTA schedules) was unfavorable to your less-than-significant determination, the SEIR has been revised to conveniently eliminate the City College Terminal to BP Station segment from EIR analysis of the 43's 7-minute running time timepoint-to-timepoint (Monterey /Gennessee to Balboa tPark Station) segment.

- I had challenged the SEIR's misuse of the City Charter's 4-minute late standard for scheduled timepoints as your Significance Criterion for Transit Delay. The RTC refers to the Planning Dept's Transit Impact Assessment Guidelines as "substantial evidence" to justify using 4-minute delay as the threshold of significance. In a careful reading of the TIA Guidelines, the 4-minute transit delay standard is simply an assertion, containing not even a shred of evidence that would support the assertion. Using common sense, how could a 4 minute delay within a 7-minute running time route segment be objectively considered "less-than-significant"?!

An EIR is supposed to be an objective analysis. However, actually it's similar to the run-up to the Iraq War: The facts were being fixed around the policy.

Sincerely,  
Alvin Ja

On Thursday, April 30, 2020, 8:25:52 AM PDT, Poling, Jeanie (CPC) <[jeanie.poling@sfgov.org](mailto:jeanie.poling@sfgov.org)> wrote:

Hi Alvin,

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Thanks,

Alvin Ja

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