



**Massachusetts Bay
Transportation Authority**

General Manager's Remarks

Fiscal and Management Control Board

March 4, 2019



Agenda

- F40 locomotive
- Rail Vision briefing
- RIDE vehicle evaluation



First F40 Locomotive in revenue service today

- Second F40 en route from Motive Power in Boise
- All facets have been rebuilt, replaced, upgraded
- Program will result in locomotive fleet reliability improvements
- Last of 10 F40s expected by September





Rail Vision update

- Legislative briefing held to kick off discussion of seven conceptual service alternatives
- Initiative seeks to match service with region's changing transportation and economic growth needs
- Conceptual alternatives designed around new vehicle technology, changes in frequency, expanding system capacity and connectivity, system electrification, etc.
- Open house: tomorrow, Tuesday, March 5, 4:30, 10 Park Plaza, Board Room





RIDE vehicle procurement update

- On Saturday, RIDE team held a customer vehicle evaluation
- Vehicle evaluation held in advance of procuring 118 new RIDE vehicles
- Four options under consideration:
 - Ford Flex, Fusion, Escape; Chevy Equinox
- Customer feedback also solicited via survey focused on comfort, storage, leg room, ease of entering/exiting vehicle

