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Task No. 1-7 Community Outreach

Subject: Central Subway construction in North Beach

Dear Ms. Bugarin:

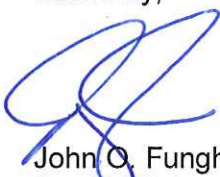
Thank you for your March 11 email regarding the Central Subway Project in North Beach. The plan to relocate the retrieval site for the tunnel boring machines to the Pagoda Palace property was developed in response to community concerns about the original plan. I am pleased to say that, with the support and cooperation of Supervisor David Chiu, the Mayor's office, the Pagoda Palace property owner and the merchants and residents of North Beach, our relocation efforts continue to move forward.

To clarify the details of the plan, the SFMTA has signed an agreement with the Pagoda Palace property owner to utilize the site for two years. In that time, our contractor will demolish the existing building, construct a retrieval shaft for the TBMs, extract the machines, and restore the site. After this two-year period is complete, no further Central Subway construction will occur at the Pagoda site.

The plan to retrieve the TBMs at the Pagoda Palace does not interfere with any potential (but not yet planned) extension of the T Third Line to North Beach or beyond. SPUR is spearheading efforts to begin the planning process for Phase 3 of the T Third Line, which may include a North Beach station. If you are interested in learning more, you may contact SPUR at [info@spur.org](mailto:info@spur.org).

Thank you again for contacting the SFMTA Board of Directors. We look forward to your continued participation as the Central Subway Project proceeds.

Sincerely,



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Central Subway Program Director

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