



## **Local Policy Maker Group Meeting Agenda**

Thursday, February 22, 2018

5:30 P.M. – 7:00 P.M.

Caltrain Offices

Bacciocco Auditorium 2nd Floor

1250 San Carlos Avenue

San Carlos, CA 94070

- I. Introductions & Agenda Review**
- II. California High-Speed Rail Program Update**
  - a. Executive Leadership Appointments
  - b. 2018 Business Plan Schedule
  - c. State Legislative Audit
  - d. NEPA Assignment
- III. San Francisco to San Jose Project Section Update**
  - a. Project Management Funding Agreement with Caltrain
- IV. Public Comment**
- V. LPMG Member Comments/Requests**
- VI. Adjourn**

**Next Meeting:** March 22, 2018 (Caltrain), April 19, 2018 (High-Speed Rail)



# CALIFORNIA High-Speed Rail Authority

## *Memorandum*

**Date:** February 20, 2018  
**To:** CalMod Local Policy Maker Group (LPMG)  
**From:** Ben Tripousis, Northern California Director, California High-Speed Rail Authority  
**Re:** High-Speed Rail Program Overview & Update

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### **California High-Speed Rail Program Update**

#### Executive Leadership

During the January 16, 2018 California High-Speed Rail Authority (Authority) Board of Directors' meeting, the Board appointed new Chief Executive Officer, Brian P. Kelly, to lead the organization, effective February 1, 2018. Mr. Kelly has served as Secretary of the California State Transportation Agency (CalSTA) since the Agency was created in 2013. During his tenure as Secretary, Mr. Kelly oversaw one of the largest portfolios in the State of California with more than 38,000 employees and a total budget of more than \$18 billion.

A full press release on Mr. Kelly's appointment can be found on the Authority's website, [here](#).

On January 19, 2018, the Authority announced that Governor Edmund G. Brown Jr. appointed Joseph Hedges to the position of Chief Operating Officer and Pamela Mizukami as Chief Deputy Director, expanding the Authority's executive team to continue the project's rapid transition from the planning phases to construction and delivery. Mr. Hedges joins the California High-Speed Rail Program from the Washington Department of Transportation, where he was Program Administrator of the Alaskan Way Viaduct Replacement Program and has been an integral part of improving project performance and advancing the progress of the project. Ms. Mizukami previously served in various roles with the California Department of Motor Vehicles, most recently as its Deputy Director of the Administrative Services Division. In her new position, she will build on previous work in assisting the Authority to improve its administrative functions by overseeing the Authority's internal and personnel operations.

A full press release on the appointments of Mr. Hedges and Ms. Mizukami can be found on the Authority's website, [here](#).

#### February Construction Update

The number of construction sites continues to grow with two new grade separations and the first construction underway in Construction Package 4. This, along with ongoing activities in Construction Packages 1-3, translates into an increase of 1,648 construction labor worker jobs since December 31, 2017 and 232 small businesses contributing to this work so far.

For the latest information about high-speed rail construction, visit [www.BuildHSR.com](http://www.BuildHSR.com) or read the February Construction Update, [here](#).

#### 2018 Business Plan

The Authority anticipates release of the Draft 2018 Business Plan on March 9, 2018, which will be followed by a 60-day public comment period. The Final 2018 Business Plan would then be submitted to the Legislature for adoption on June 1, 2018.

### State Legislative Audit

In January, the State Legislature approved an audit of California High-Speed Rail Program. The audit is estimated to take about seven months and will examine a variety of items including contract management, economic impact on communities, and compliance with small and disadvantaged business and environmental goals. The last audit of the California High-Speed Rail Program took place in 2012.

### National Environmental Protection Act (NEPA) Assignment

In November, CalSTA and the Authority announced their application for NEPA Assignment to the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) to assume the federal environmental responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and other federal environmental laws. By assuming the federal environmental responsibilities under NEPA and other federal environmental laws, the State of California seeks to establish more efficient reviews and approvals of the environmental documents required to advance the high-speed rail program and related rail projects. This application marks the first transit/rail program to apply for NEPA Assignment and is anticipated to be executed in April 2018.

A full press release on this announcement can be found on the Authority's website [here](#).

### **San Francisco – San Jose Project Section Update**

#### Project Management Funding Agreement with Caltrain

In August 2016, the Authority Board approved the Peninsula Corridor Improvement Plan, which provides funding support for the Caltrain Electrification project. The Board of Directors' approval of the agreement memorialized the Authority's commitment to provide \$600 million in funding through Proposition 1A funds towards Caltrain's Modernization Program. Since the Board's approval, the Authority and Caltrain have been working to complete a Program Management Funding Agreement that details how the Proposition 1A funds will be distributed to Caltrain. The disbursement of the funds follows the state Department of Finance's approval of the funding plan as required under Proposition 1A.

#### Upcoming Local Policy Maker Group (LPMG) Meetings

The March LPMG meeting will be hosted by Caltrain. The next Authority-hosted LPMG meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 19, 2018.

## Local Policy Maker Group (LPMG) Members

<b>City / County</b>	<b>Representative</b>	<b>Alternate</b>
<b>Atherton</b>	Mayor Cary Wiest	
<b>Belmont</b>	Mayor Charles Stone	
<b>Brisbane</b>	Councilmember Terry O’Connell	
<b>Burlingame</b>	Councilmember Emily Beach	Mayor Ricardo Ortiz
<b>Gilroy</b>	TBD	
<b>Menlo Park</b>	Councilmember Rich Cline	Councilmember Kirsten Keith
<b>Millbrae</b>	Councilmember Reuben Holofer	Mayor Gina Papan
<b>Mountain View</b>	Mayor Lenny Siegel	Councilmember Chris Clark
<b>Morgan Hill</b>	Councilmember Larry Carr	Mayor Steve Tate
<b>Palo Alto</b>	Councilmember Greg Sharff	Councilmember Adrian Fine
<b>Redwood City</b>	Councilmember Shelly Masur	Councilmember Janet Borgens
<b>San Bruno</b>	TBD	
<b>San Carlos</b>	Councilmember Ron Collins	Councilmember Mark Olbert
<b>San Francisco</b>	Ms. Gillian Gillett	Ms. Susan Gygi
<b>San Jose</b>	Councilmember Dev Davis	
<b>San Mateo</b>	Councilmember Joe Goethals	Deputy Mayor Diane Papan
<b>Santa Clara</b>	Councilmember Kathy Watanabe	Councilmember Patricia Mahan
<b>South San Francisco</b>	Councilmember Karyl Matsumoto	Councilmember Rich Garbarino
<b>Sunnyvale</b>	Councilmember Nancy Smith	Vice Mayor Gustav Larsson
<b>San Francisco BOS</b>	TBD	
<b>San Mateo BOS</b>	Supervisor David Pine	
<b>Santa Clara BOS</b>	TBD	
<b>CHAIR (JPB Member) Jeff Gee</b>		
<b>VICE CHAIR (LPMG Member) Emily Beach</b>		



**CALIFORNIA**  
High-Speed Rail Authority

# **SAN FRANCISCO TO SAN JOSE PROJECT SECTION**

**Local Policy Maker Group  
Thursday, February 22, 2018**

**San Carlos, California**



# INTRODUCTIONS



# AGENDA REVIEW

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- **Adjourn**

# CALIFORNIA HIGH-SPEED RAIL PROGRAM UPDATE



# **CALIFORNIA HIGH-SPEED RAIL PROGRAM: Executive Leadership**

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- **Executive Leadership Appointments**
  - » Brian P. Kelly, Chief Executive Officer
  - » Joseph Hedges, Chief Operating Officer
  - » Pamela Mizukami, Chief Deputy Director
  
- **Next Board Meeting: March 20, 2018**

# CONSTRUCTION UPDATE: February 2018



<https://youtu.be/tclUlkq61fA>

# CALIFORNIA HIGH-SPEED RAIL PROGRAM: 2018 Business Plan

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- **Anticipated Schedule**

- » Release of Draft Business Plan: March 9, 2018
- » 60-day comment period
- » Submitted to Legislature: June 1, 2018

# **CALIFORNIA HIGH-SPEED RAIL PROGRAM: State Legislative Audit**

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- **In January, the state legislature approved an audit of California High-Speed Rail Program**
- **The audit is estimated to take about seven months**
- **The audit will examine a variety of items including contract management, economic impact on communities, and compliance with small and disadvantaged business and environmental goals**
- **Last audit took place in 2012**

# **CALIFORNIA HIGH-SPEED RAIL PROGRAM: NEPA Assignment**

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- **In November, CalSTA & the California High-Speed Rail Authority announced their application for NEPA Assignment from the FRA**
- **First transit/rail program to apply for NEPA Assignment**
- **Execution anticipated in April 2018**
- **Under the NEPA Assignment the state assumes the federal environmental responsibilities under NEPA and other federal environmental laws**

# SAN FRANCISCO TO SAN JOSE SECTION UPDATE



# **PROJECT MANAGEMENT FUNDING AGREEMENT WITH CALTRAIN**

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- **In 2016, the Authority Board approved the Peninsula Corridor Funding Plan, required for the Authority to commit \$600 million in Proposition 1A funds for Caltrain's Peninsula Electrification Project.**
- **The disbursement of the funds follows the state Department of Finance's approval of the funding plan as required under Proposition 1A.**
- **For these funds to be distributed to Caltrain, the Authority and Caltrain must enter into a funding agreement.**

# PUBLIC COMMENT



# LPMG MEMBER COMMENT/REQUESTS



# THANK YOU & STAY INVOLVED

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