



## Local Policy Maker Group (LPMG) Meeting

Due to COVID-19, this meeting will be conducted via teleconference only (no physical location) pursuant to the Governor's Executive Orders [N-25-20](#) and [N-29-20](#).

Directors, staff and the public may participate remotely via Zoom at <https://zoom.us/j/94452832931> for audio/visual capability or by calling 1-669-900-9128, Webinar ID: # 944 5283 2931 for audio only.

**Public Comments:** The Board Chair shall have the discretion to manage the Public Comment process in a manner that achieves the purpose of public communication and assures the orderly conduct of the meeting.

**Members of the public are encouraged to provide** public comments in the following ways:

- **Email:** Comments may be submitted by emailing [video@caltrain.com](mailto:video@caltrain.com) before each agenda item is presented. Please indicate in your email the agenda item to which your comment applies.
- **Auditory:** Oral comments will also be accepted during the meeting. Web users may use the 'Raise Hand' feature to request to speak. Callers may dial \*9 to request to speak. Each commenter will be notified when they are unmuted to speak.

**Thursday, May 28, 2020**  
**5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

### Agenda

1. Call to Order
2. Staff Report
3. Caltrain Business Plan
4. Caltrain Electrification Project
5. California High-Speed Rail: Update (Presented by California High-Speed Rail Authority Staff)
6. Public Comments on Items not on the Agenda
7. LPMG Member Comments/Requests
8. Next Meeting
  - a. Thursday June 25, 2019 at 5:30pm
9. Adjourn

*All items on this agenda are subject to action*



## Memorandum

**Date:** May 28, 2020  
**To:** CalMod Local Policy Maker Group (LPMG)  
**From:** Sebastian Petty, Director of Policy Development  
**Re:** Caltrain Business Plan

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### PROJECT UPDATE

Following the Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board's adoption of the Caltrain Long Range Service Vision in October, the Business Plan team spent November through February focused on completing remaining technical work on the plan to both round out the 2040 Service Vision and develop key actions for the next 10 years. The following "May" update covers work completed in late April and May of 2020.

#### Ongoing Technical Work

In April and May of 2020 the team focused on ongoing technical work on the Business Plan as well as documentation and reporting as the planning process moves towards completion. Work on the plan is ongoing but has been delayed by COVID-19 due to staff bandwidth issues and the need to focus on the immediate crisis. Given this, the schedule of work for the plan has been delayed by a month and staff is assessing the timeline for completion.

Ongoing work during May has continued work that was occurring in April with a focus on;

- Completion of a 2040 Funding Strategy for the overall Long Range Service Vision
- Completion of the Equity Assessment and development of recommendations
- Documentation of the Business Plan process and development of summary and technical reports

The funding and equity analyses described above will be presented to stakeholder groups in June for comment and refinement. These items represent the final pieces of technical work to be completed in the Business Plan and will be followed by the release of a draft summary report and accompanying technical documents in summer for 2020.

## **Meetings and Outreach**

No outreach activities occurred during May of 2020.

## **Next Steps**

The first part of the Business Plan is focused on the development of a long-range service vision for the railroad accompanied by an assessment of the community-corridor interface and the Caltrain organization. The plan will be completed in summer of 2020.

## **Background**

In 2017, the JPB secured full funding for the Peninsula Corridor Electrification Project and issued notices to proceed to its contractors for corridor electrification and purchase of Electric Multiple Unit railcars. Now that construction on this long-awaited project is underway, the agency has the opportunity to articulate a long-term business strategy for the future of the system.

The initial concept for a Caltrain “Business Plan” was brought to the Board in April of 2017. The Board reviewed a draft scope of work for the Business Plan in December of 2017 and adopted a final Business Strategy and Scope of Work in February of 2018. Technical work on the Plan commenced in the summer of 2018. The Business Plan has been scoped to include long-range demand modeling, and service and infrastructure planning, as well as organizational analysis and an assessment of Caltrain’s interface with the communities it traverses. In October of 2019, the JPB marked a major milestone in the Business Plan process with its adoption of a “2040 Service Vision” for the Caltrain system. This action sets long-range policy guidance for the future of the Caltrain service and allows staff to move forward with completion of the overall plan by early 2020.



## Memorandum

**Date:** May 28, 2020  
**To:** CalMod Local Policy Maker Group (LPMG)  
**From:** John Funghi, CalMod Chief Officer; Casey Fromson, Gov. Affairs Director  
**Re:** Caltrain Electrification Project E-Update

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### FIRST TRAINSET ON TEST TRACK:

May was a landmark month, with the first trainset placed on the special test track at the Salt Lake City manufacturing facility. The track is now powered with 25kv and the train's pantograph--which collects power from the overhead wires--has been raised and connected. Over the coming weeks, the train will undergo high voltage static testing as power is incrementally applied to the trainset while it's stationary on the track. The train will then undergo low-speed acceleration and brake tests.



All systems, including doors, HVAC, and audio, will undergo functional tests before the first trainset travels to a longer test track in Pueblo, Colorado for higher-speed testing. For more photos of the trainset on its inaugural test track ride, visit [CalMod.org/Gallery](https://www.calmod.org/Gallery).

## CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

More than 1,000 poles have now been installed along the corridor from South San Francisco to San Jose! Each pole installed will support the wires needed to provide power to the new electric trains. This exciting milestone brings Caltrain one step closer to providing a modernized electric commute.



This month, crews continued installation of poles from Menlo Park to San Jose. Work was also performed on six traction power facilities in San Jose, Redwood City, Sunnyvale, South San Francisco, and San Mateo. Crews have also been installing wires in Santa Clara County.

To sign up for weekly construction updates or for more construction information, visit [CalMod.org/construction](https://www.calmod.org/construction).

## PUBLIC MEETINGS

**JPB Board Meeting – June 4 at 9:00 a.m – Please note, this will be remote only**

For more details, and a full list of upcoming meetings, please visit [CalMod.org/Events](https://www.calmod.org/Events).

## DETAILED PROGRESS REPORT

- [March 2019 Monthly Progress Report](#) presented to Caltrain Board on April 2, 2020



# CALIFORNIA High-Speed Rail Authority

## Memorandum

**Date:** May 28, 2020  
**To:** Local Policy Maker Group (LPMG)  
**From:** Boris Lipkin, Northern California Regional Director  
**Re:** California High-Speed Rail Program Update

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### STATEWIDE UPDATE

#### **Business Plan Comment Period Extended**

The California High-Speed Rail Authority (Authority) published its Draft 2020 Business Plan on February 12, 2020 for a 60-day public comment. As California experienced the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Legislature requested that the Authority delay the adoption and submission of the Final 2020 Business Plan until July 1, 2020. With the change in submittal date, the Authority has also extended the public comment period on the Draft 2020 Business Plan until June 1, 2020. The Authority Board of Directors will consider the Business Plan at its June meeting.

The Draft 2020 Business Plan is available at [hsr.ca.gov/about/business\\_plans/2020/](https://hsr.ca.gov/about/business_plans/2020/).

#### **Economic Impact Analysis**

The High-Speed Rail Economic Impact Analysis for Fiscal Year 2018/2019 was released at the Authority's [April Board Meeting](#). The Analysis illustrates the economic benefits of the high-speed rail program on a countywide, regional, statewide and national level. Highlights include:

- The Authority's \$5.7 billion in program investments generated \$8.3 to \$9.2 billion in economic activity from June 2006 through June 2019.
- The project has supported between 44,700 to 50,500 job years (defined as the equivalent number of one-year-long, full-time jobs) from June 2006 through June 2019, resulting in \$3.2 - \$3.6 billion in labor income.
- Most of the project's economic activity has taken place within the state, with 95% of spending going to businesses based in California.
- Over half (53%) of the program investments through June 2019 occurred in designated disadvantaged communities throughout California.

More details on this analysis are available in the [Board Memo, Technical Supporting Document](#), and on the Authority's [economic investment webpage](#).

#### **Selma Workforce Development Center**

The Authority has partnered with the City of Selma to create a [workforce development center](#) that will provide pre-apprenticeship classes and hands-on construction industry training for residents in the Central Valley who are looking to work on the project. This center and its programs are aimed at serving veterans, at-risk young adults, minority and low-income populations between the counties of Fresno, Kings, Tulare, Kern, Madera and Merced. The center will open this summer in a time when the state and the nation will look to identify expanded employment opportunities for individuals whose employment has been affected by the COVID-19 pandemic.

## **Project Status during the COVID-19 Crisis**

As detailed in our April memo, the Authority is continuing to advance the project statewide while taking necessary precautions to follow COVID-19 public health guidance through enhanced safety measures on the Authority’s construction sites, transitioning office staff to teleworking, and holding outreach and engagement activities through online/telephone formats. [Construction sites](#) in the Central Valley continue to expand with more than 800 workers dispatched every week for the last few weeks and a total of more than 3,700 workers dispatched since project inception. Environmental review work continues to progress in the Northern and Southern California regions, while Authority staff monitor evolving public health guidance as it relates to upcoming outreach and engagement for the public circulation of the draft environmental documents. Statewide COVID-19 impacts are being looked at closely by the Authority and will be further discussed in the Final 2020 Business Plan.

## **NORTHERN CALIFORNIA UPDATE**

### **San Jose to Merced Draft Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statements (EIR/EIS)**

The release of the San Jose to Merced Project Section [Draft EIR/EIS](#) on April 24<sup>th</sup> started the 45-day comment period on the document that will run through June 8<sup>th</sup>. Outreach during the comment period has been transitioned to online/teleconference platforms in response to public health shelter-in-place orders. On April 28<sup>th</sup>, the Authority launched an online open house website, [MeetHSRNorCal.org](#), in aim to help the public better understand the San Jose to Merced Draft EIR/EIS and serve as an additional virtual engagement resource.

Below is a summary of the dates and attendance of recent outreach:

VIRTUAL OUTREACH	PARTICIPATION
MeetHSRNorCal.org April 27 Launch	1100+ Visitors as of May 20
Open House Live Q&A Webinars May 11, May 14, May 18 at 4:00 to 7:00 p.m.	148 Participants
Community Working Groups Live Q&A Webinar May 21 at 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.	17 Participants

Additional engagement includes [virtual office hours](#) on May 11, May 20, and May 27 and a virtual public hearing on May 27 (see below for more information).

Comments on the Draft EIR/EIS can be submitted through the following channels:

- [Online comment form](#)
- Email to [san.jose\\_merced@hsr.ca.gov](mailto:san.jose_merced@hsr.ca.gov)
- Mail to “ATTN: San Jose to Merced Project Section: Draft EIR/EIS, 100 Paseo de San Antonio, Suite 300, San Jose, CA 95113”
- Verbal comment at the virtual public hearing on May 27, 2020 3:00 – 8:00 p.m.:
  - To provide verbal comment via phone only, call:
    - 1-669-900-9128; Webinar ID 822 5228 4338
  - [Link to provide verbal comment via webinar](#)
  - [Link to observe the public hearing via live stream](#)
  - Interpretation available:

- Spanish: call 1-877-568-4106; access code 877 394 869#
- Mandarin: call 1-507-591-1092; access code 954 813 928#
- Vietnamese: call 1-720-526-0998; access code 279 357 131#
- Call 800-455-8166 to request interpretation in another language

### **San Francisco to San Jose Draft Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statements (EIR/EIS)**

Originally anticipated for late June, the release of the Draft EIR/EIS for the San Francisco to San Jose project section is now scheduled for July 10<sup>th</sup>. Planned public engagement, including open houses, office hours and a public hearing, have been rescheduled accordingly. Due to public health and safety requirements concerning the coronavirus, outreach for the Draft EIR/EIS may need to occur as online and/or teleconference meetings only. Any changes to engagement plans during the public comment period will be posted on the Authority's website at [www.hsr.ca.gov](http://www.hsr.ca.gov).

#### **San Francisco to San Jose Draft EIR/EIS Open Houses and Public Hearing**

- July 20: **San Francisco Open House**, Bay Area Metro Center, 375 Beale St, San Francisco, CA 94105
- July 30: **Redwood City Open House**, American Legion Post 105, 651 El Camino Real, Redwood City, CA 94063
- August 5: **Santa Clara Open House**, Santa Clara Marriot, 2700 Mission College Blvd., Santa Clara, CA 95054
- August 19: **San Francisco Public Hearing**, Bay Area Metro Center, 375 Beale St, San Francisco, CA 94105

### **Finalization of Downtown Rail Extension Project (DTX) Memorandum of Understanding**

The San Francisco Peninsula Rail Program Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Transbay Joint Powers Authority (TJPA); the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC); the San Francisco County Transportation Authority (SFCTA); the Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board (Caltrain); the California High Speed Rail Authority (CHSRA); and the City and County of San Francisco (CCSF) has been finalized. The MOU outlines a multi-agency partnership to more effectively develop the DTX as a critical rail link in the state transportation system. The MOU describes a new organizational structure that will support the efforts of the TJPA, which has primary jurisdiction of the DTX, in the development of the project.

### **RECENT AND UPCOMING OUTREACH ACTIVITIES**

- May 5: Morgan Hill Unified School District Board Meeting
- May 6: Silicon Valley Leadership Group Transportation Policy Committee
- May 11: San Jose to Merced Open House Q&A Webinar 1
- May 11: San Jose to Merced Draft EIR/EIS Office Hours
- May 14: Open House Q&A Webinar 2
- May 18: Open House Q&A Webinar 3
- May 20: San Jose to Merced Draft EIR/EIS Office Hours
- May 21: San Jose to Merced Draft EIR/EIS Community Working Groups Q&A Webinar
- May 27: San Jose to Merced Draft EIR/EIS Office Hours
- May 27: San Jose to Merced Public Hearing
- June 2: Atherton Rail Committee
- June 9: SAMCEDA Housing, Land Use, Transportation (HLUT) Committee

# NORTHERN CALIFORNIA REGION

Local Policy Maker Group

May 28, 2020



# STATEWIDE UPDATES



# DRAFT 2020 BUSINESS PLAN

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD EXTENDED

- **Required by PUC Section 185033**
  - » Foundational document for implementing the program
  - » Required every two years (even years)
- **Includes:**
  - » Updated capital cost and other estimates
  - » Updated ridership and revenue forecasts
  - » Summary of progress over last two years
  - » Review of current challenges and how to address them
- **Released in mid February and requires 60 day public review**
- **Public Comment period extended to June 1**
- **Due to the Legislature July 1, 2020**



## HOW TO COMMENT ON THE DRAFT 2020 BUSINESS PLAN

60-day public comment period: February 12 through June 1 (extended from April 12)

Online at: [www.hsr.ca.gov/about/business\\_plans/business\\_plan\\_2020\\_comment\\_form.aspx](http://www.hsr.ca.gov/about/business_plans/business_plan_2020_comment_form.aspx)

By phone: 916-384-9516

By email: [DraftBP2020@hsr.ca.gov](mailto:DraftBP2020@hsr.ca.gov)

By mail:

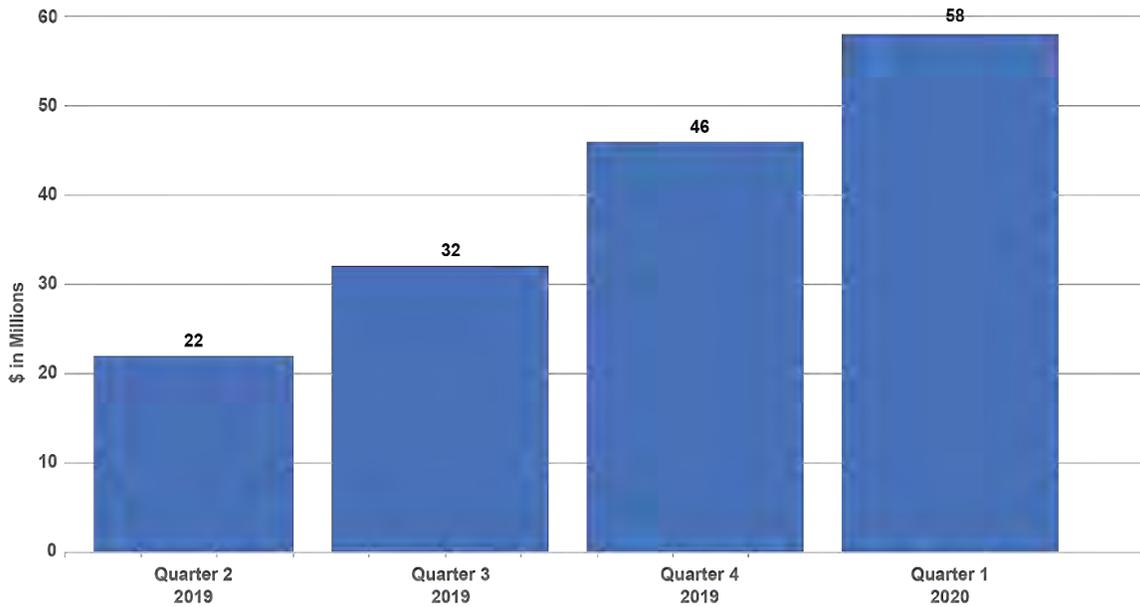
- California High-Speed Rail Authority  
Attn: Draft 2020 Business Plan  
770 L Street, Suite 620, MS-1  
Sacramento, CA 95814

**Board Adoption of Draft Business Plan:** June 2020 Board Meeting



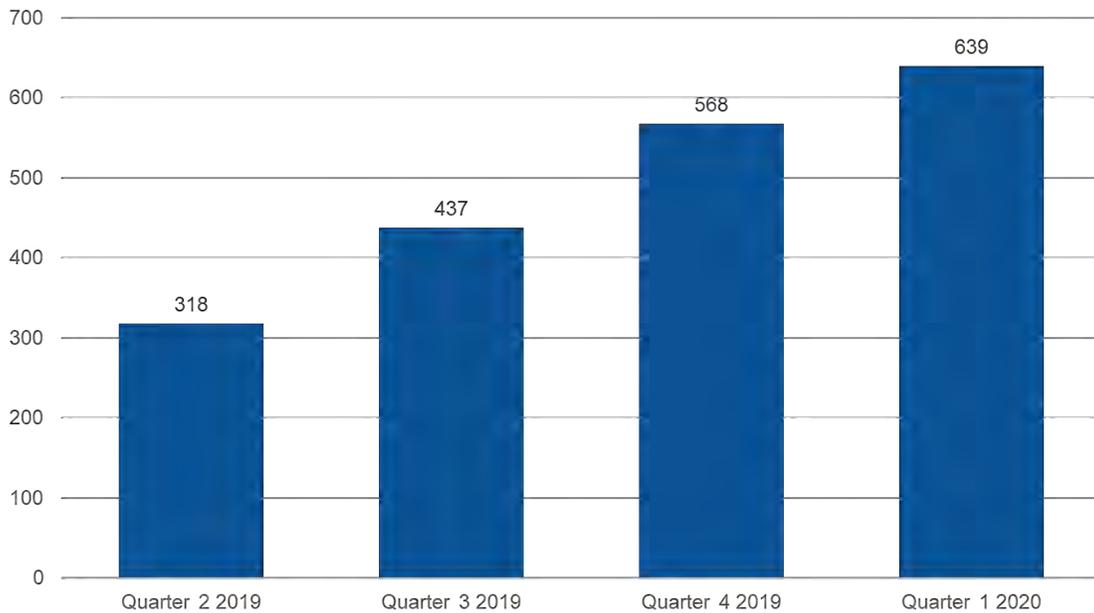
# MOMENTUM PICKING UP IN THE FIELD

AVERAGE MONTHLY EXPENDITURES BY QUARTER



# MOMENTUM PICKING UP IN THE FIELD

WEEKLY AVERAGE WORKERS DISPATCHED

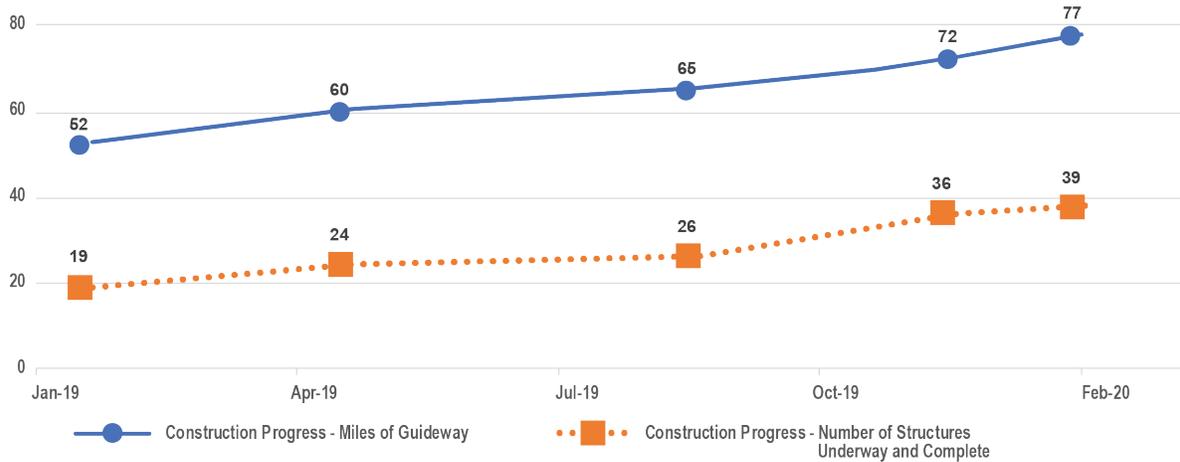


**First week of April was an all time high of 821 workers dispatched**



# MOMENTUM PICKING UP IN THE FIELD

STRUCTURE AND GUIDEWAY PROGRESS 2019/2020



**As of first week of April up to 77 miles of Guideway and 39 Structures underway and/or complete**

## STATEWIDE UPDATES



# ECONOMIC IMPACT ANALYSIS REPORT

2018/19

- Estimates the economic impacts of planning and constructing a high-speed rail system

### California Statewide Economic Impacts Total for July 2006 – June 2019



### Future Economic Impacts Silicon Valley to Central Valley Line



### Direct Investment and Economic Impacts By Region

BAY AREA	FY 18/19	PROGRAM TOTAL
Job-Years of Employment	1,110	4,710
Labor Income	\$110 M	\$440 M
Economic Output	\$280 M	\$930 M

- Technical Report

» [hsr.ca.gov/docs/brdmeetings/2019/brdmtg\\_031919\\_Item6\\_Economic\\_Impact\\_Technical\\_Supporting\\_Document.pdf](https://hsr.ca.gov/docs/brdmeetings/2019/brdmtg_031919_Item6_Economic_Impact_Technical_Supporting_Document.pdf)

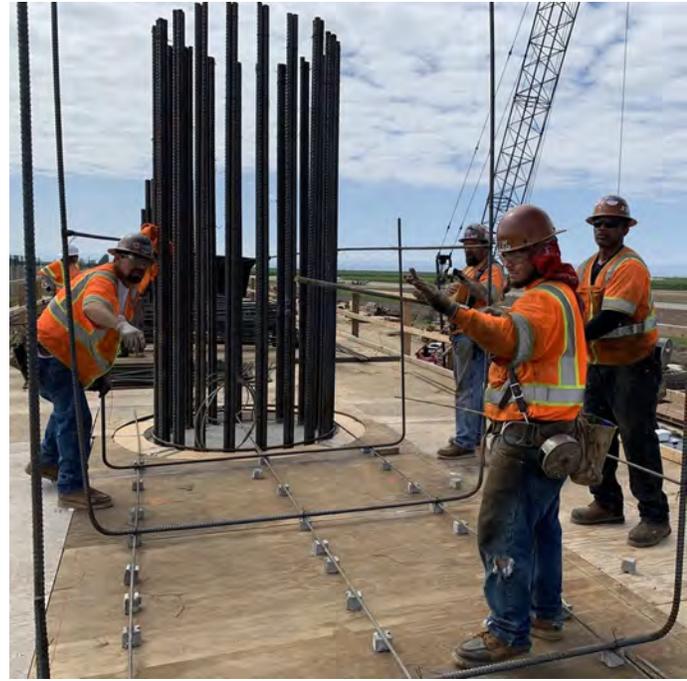
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# NEW HIGH-SPEED RAIL WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT CENTER

CITY OF SELMA

- **Partnership between the City of Selma & Authority**
  - » Will serve counties of Fresno, Kings, Tulare, Kern, Madera, and Merced
- **Provide pre-apprenticeship classes, hands-on construction industry training, and job placement assistance**
  - » Programs aimed to serve veterans, at-risk young adults, minority, and low-income populations
- **Planned opening Summer 2020**



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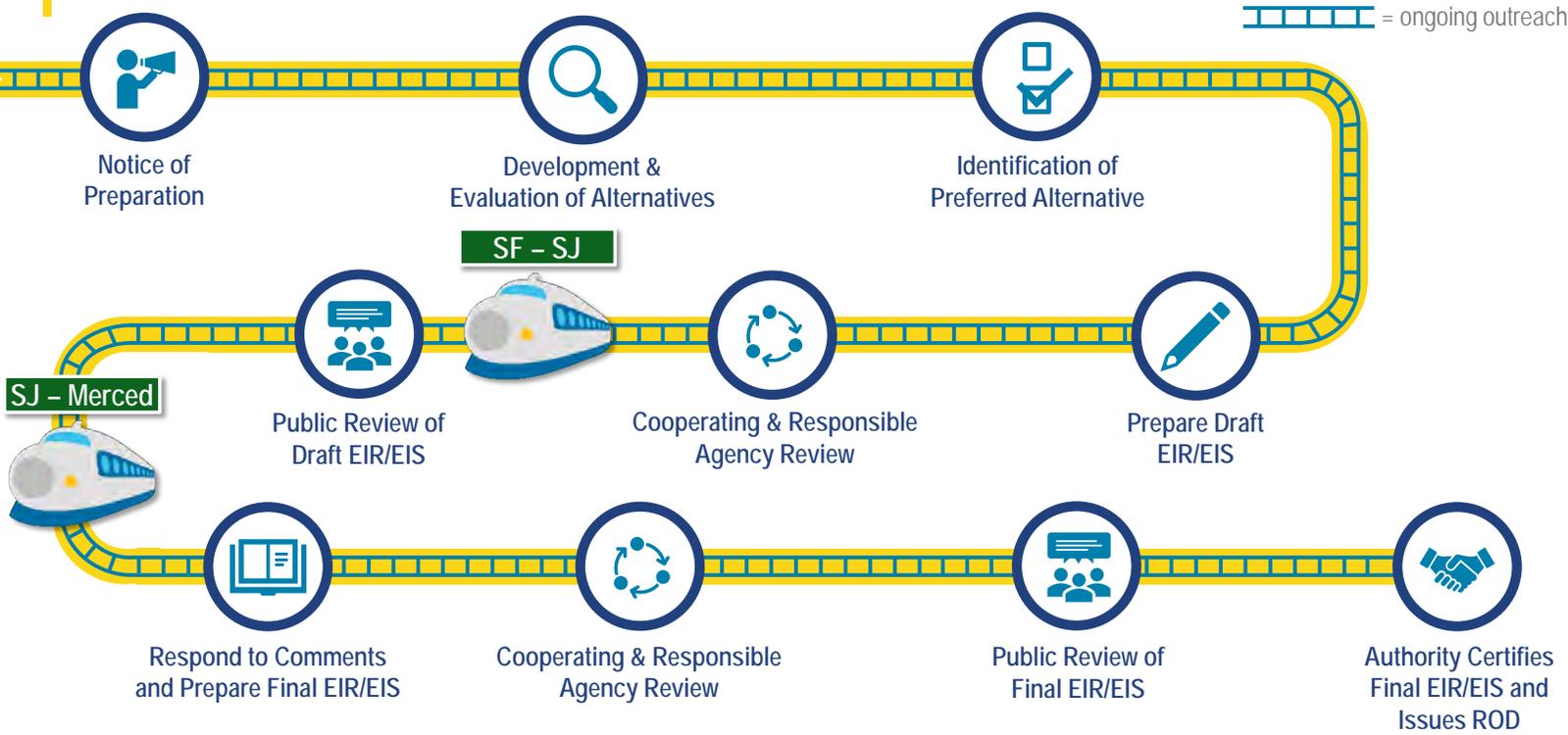
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## NORTHERN CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTS

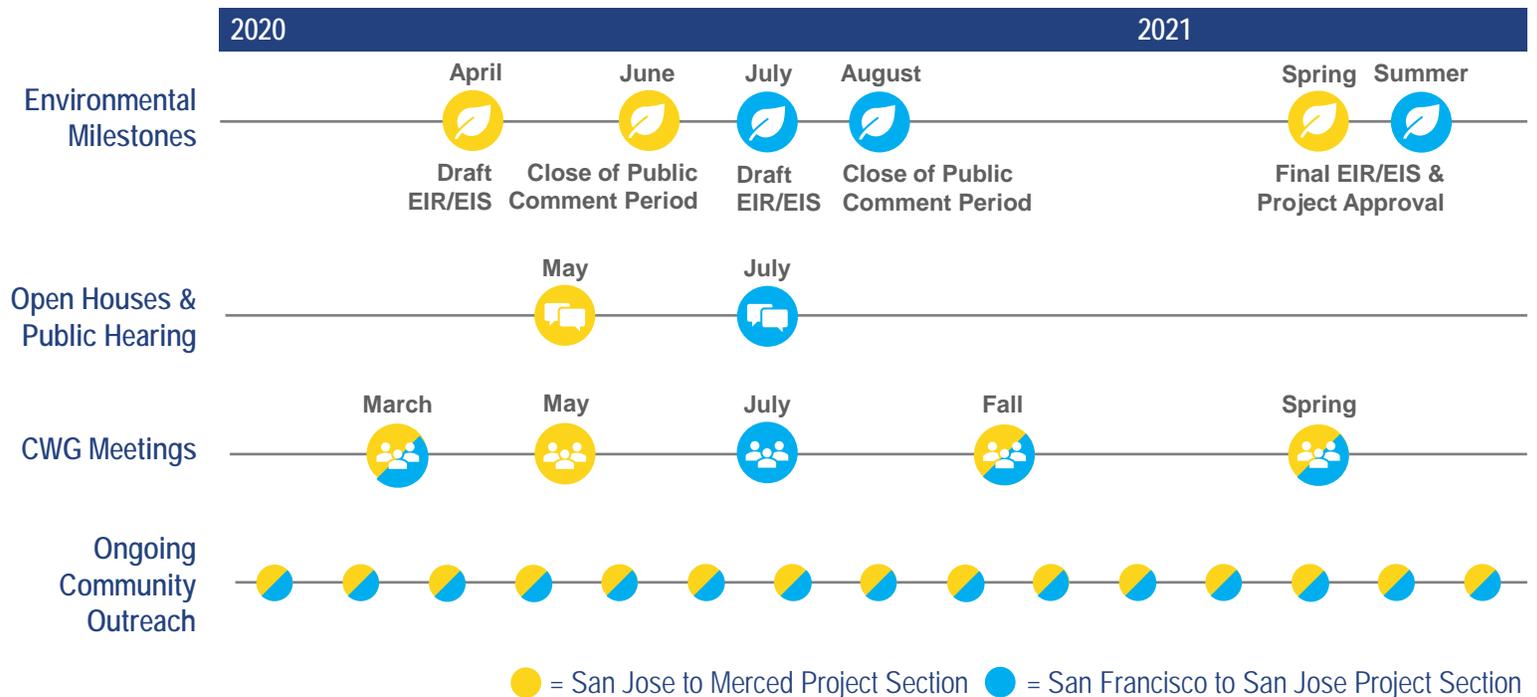


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# DEVELOPMENT & REVIEW OF ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT



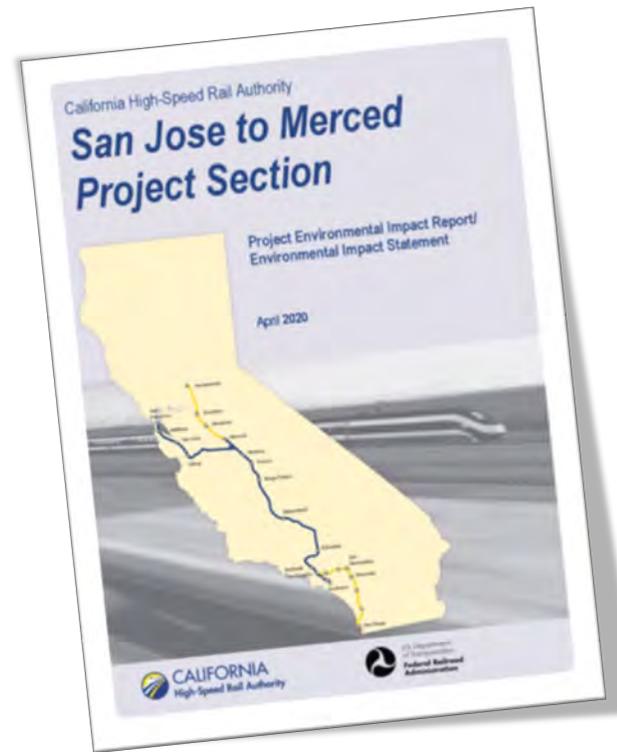
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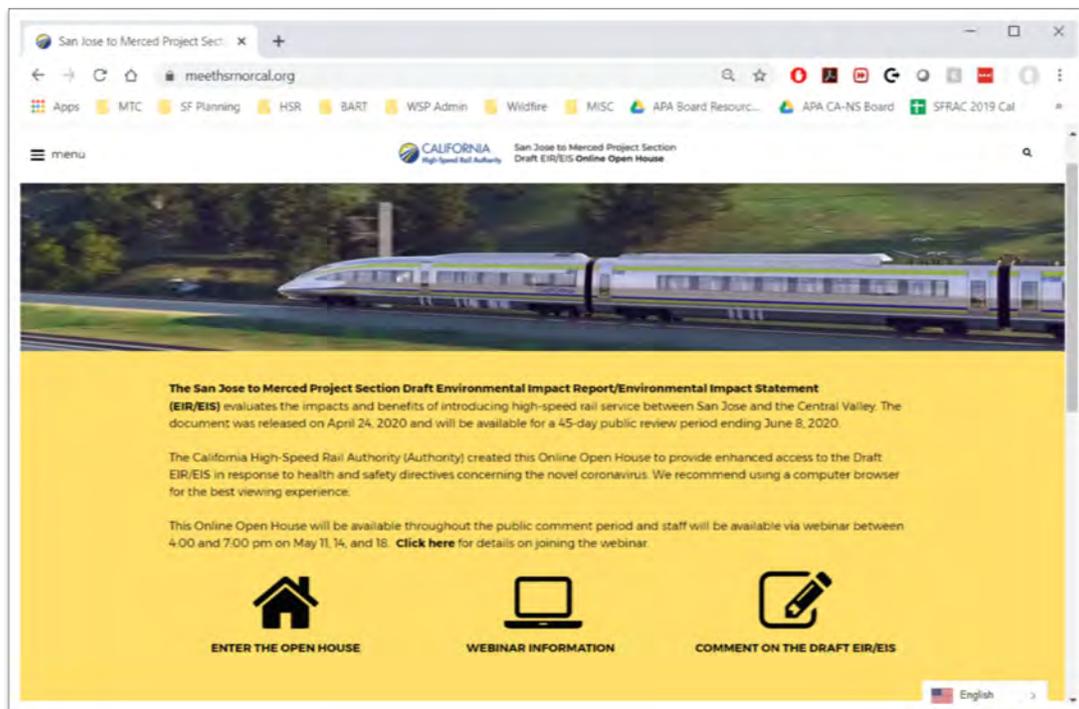
# SAN JOSE TO MERCED DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT: AVAILABLE NOW!

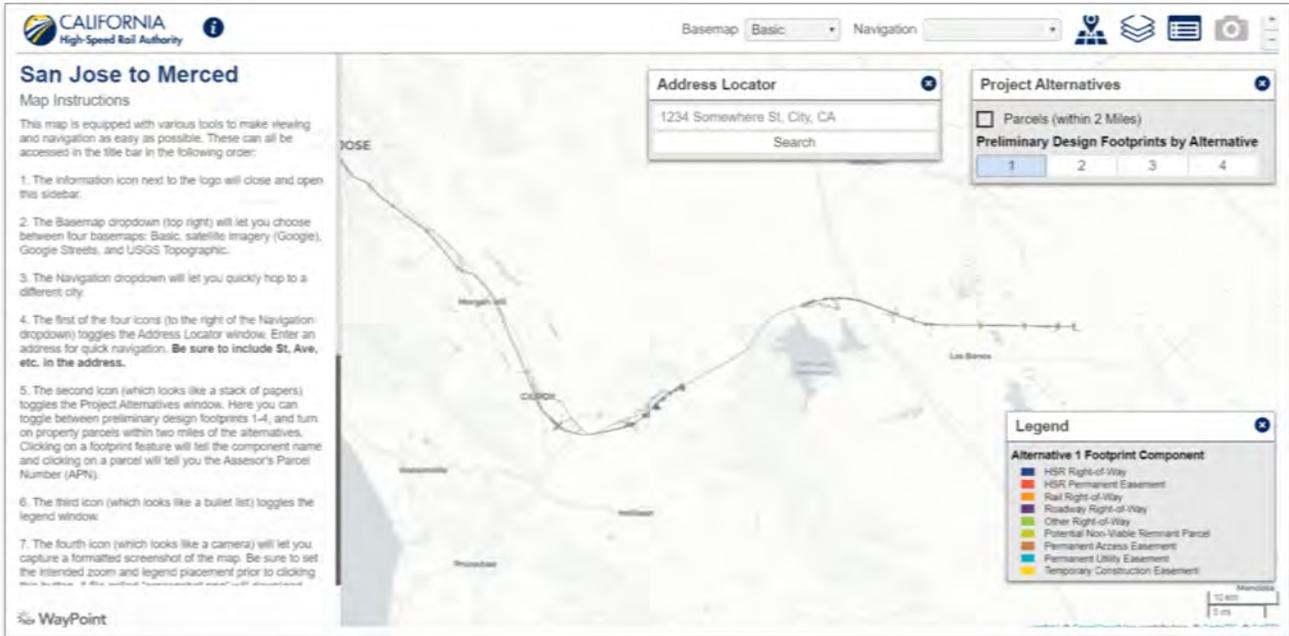
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- Online comment form (comments can also be emailed or mailed):
  - » [www.hsr.ca.gov/programs/environmental/eis\\_eir/draft\\_san\\_jose\\_merced\\_comment.aspx](http://www.hsr.ca.gov/programs/environmental/eis_eir/draft_san_jose_merced_comment.aspx)
- For more information visit:

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## DRAFT EIR/EIS OUTREACH

SAN JOSE TO MERCED PROJECT SECTION

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 • **Virtual Office Hours**  
» May 11, May 20, May 27

 • **Virtual Public Hearing**  
» May 27, 3 – 8 pm

# DRAFT EIR/EIS OUTREACH

SAN FRANCISCO TO SAN JOSE PROJECT SECTION – TENTATIVE DATES

## Open Houses

- **San Francisco**
  - » Monday, July 20, 2020, 4 – 7 pm
  - » Bay Area Metro Center
- **Redwood City**
  - » Thursday, July 30, 2020, 4 – 7 pm
  - » Redwood City American Legion
- **Santa Clara**
  - » Wednesday, August 5, 2020, 4 – 7 pm
  - » Santa Clara Marriott

## Public Hearing

- **San Francisco**
  - » Wednesday, August 19, 2020, 3 – 8 pm
  - » Bay Area Metro Center

## Staff Office Hours

- **Northern CA Regional Office**
  - » Wednesday, July 22, 2020, 11 am – 2 pm
  - » Wednesday, July 29, 2020, 11 am – 2 pm
  - » Wednesday, August 12, 2020, 11 am – 2 pm

### \*COVID-19 UPDATE\*

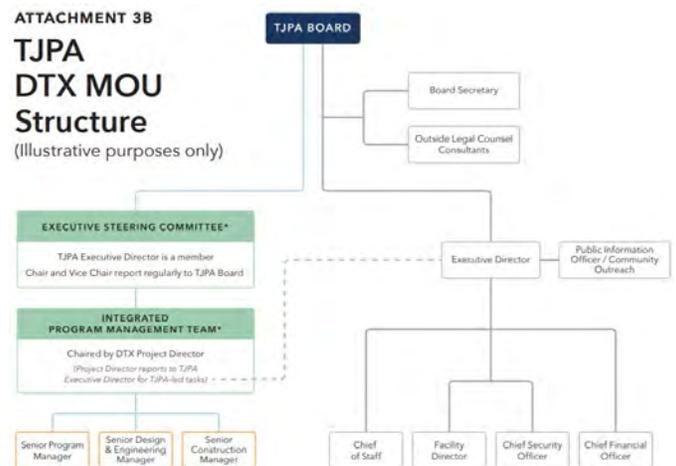
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# DOWNTOWN RAIL EXTENSION PROJECT (DTX)

FINALIZATION OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

- Partnership between TJPA, MTC, SFCTA, Caltrain, CHSRA, & CCSF
- Outlines multi-agency partnership to more effectively develop DTX as a critical link in the state transportation system
- Describes a new organizational structure to support TJPA & development of DTX
- View the MOU:
  - » [tjpa.org/uploads/2020/04/Item11\\_DTX-MOU.pdf](http://tjpa.org/uploads/2020/04/Item11_DTX-MOU.pdf)





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