



## **California High-Speed Rail Authority** **BRIEFING: November 2, 2023 Board Meeting** **Agenda Item #5**

**TO:** Board Chair Richards and Board Members

**FROM:** LaDonna DiCamillo, Southern California Regional Director

**DATE:** November 2, 2023

**RE:** Overview of the Los Angeles to Anaheim Supplemental Alternative Analysis

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### **Summary**

Information item to update the Board of Directors on the Los Angeles to Anaheim *Supplemental Alternatives Analysis*

### **Background**

In 2020, the Authority conducted a Revised Scoping process in the Los Angeles to Anaheim alignment that proposed two new project components, the BNSF Colton Intermodal Facility (IMF) and BNSF's Lenwood Staging Tracks. The Colton IMF was proposed to accommodate the future growth of passenger rail operations on dedicated passenger tracks by shifting some freight operations outside of the project corridor. As a result of concerns raised during public scoping and subsequent meetings with partner agencies and key stakeholders, the Authority is preparing to release a Supplemental Alternatives Analysis (SAA), which considers three new build alternatives that do not include an IMF and proposes the ***Shared Passenger Track Alternative*** for further consideration. The Shared Passenger Track Alternative resembles the current 2018 HSR Project Alternative and best meets the Project's purpose and need by serving the most potential passengers in the most cost-effective manner, while also reducing impacts to the environment, existing rail operations, and communities.

### **Prior Related Board Action**

Significant Board Actions related to the Los Angeles to Anaheim segment include the following:

1. **FINAL RESOLUTION #HSRA 13-27** Award of RC Contract for Los Angeles to San Diego Project Section
2. **FINAL RESOLUTION #HSRA 16-03** Agreement with LA Metro for LAUS Planning
3. **FINAL RESOLUTION #HSRA 17-13** Approval of Rosecrans Marquardt Funding Plan
4. **FINAL RESOLUTION #HSRA 18-21** Preferred Alternative for the LA-Anaheim Project Section

- 5. **FINAL RESOLUTION #HSRA 20-01** Approval of Link Union Station Funding Plan
- 6. **FINAL RESOLUTION #HSRA 22-07** Approval of the Project Management and Funding Agreement for the Los Angeles Union Station (Link US) Project, a major capital investment for High-Speed Rail

**Discussion**

This information item provides an update on activities on the Los Angeles to Anaheim segment. The presentation will include:

- 1. An overview of the Los Angeles the Anaheim Project Section Supplemental Alternatives Analysis.
- 2. Next Steps

**Legal Approval**

This is an informational item, and by itself, does not raise any legal concerns.

**Budget and Fiscal Impact**

This is an informational item, and by itself, does not have a budget or fiscal impact.

REVIEWER INFORMATION	SIGNATURE
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Reviewer Name and Title: Alicia Fowler Chief Counsel	Signature verifying legal analysis: Signed 10/25/23

**Recommendations**

This is an informational item.

**Attachments**

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