

## CALIFORNIA HIGH-SPEED RAIL:

## CORRIDOR IDENTIFICATION AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

In December 2023, the California High-Speed Rail Authority (Authority) was accepted into the Corridor Identification and Development (Corridor ID) Program managed by the US Department of Transportation, through the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA).

Upon being accepted, the California High-Speed Rail Authority received **\$500 thousand** in funding that will be used for planning and implementation of phased work for the project's **500-mile** Phase 1 system (San Francisco to Los Angeles / Anaheim). Inclusion in the Corridor ID Program added California high-speed rail's Phase 1 Corridor to a federal list of pipeline projects to be used for prioritizing future federal funding decisions over the long term.

This grant award is part of a holistic federal-state partnership strategy to leverage \$15.4 billion in State of California funding provided through 2023, including \$9 billion of Proposition 1A bonds approved by California Voters and more than \$6.4 billion in dedicated revenues (as of November 2023) from the innovative Cap-and-Trade greenhouse reduction auction program. California is the only state in the country to have committed this level of funding and to have advanced 220 mph high-speed rail this far

This \$500,000 grant award will build on the federal government's prior investments of approximately \$6.8 billion. Through the Corridor ID process and awards and applications to other programs authorized by the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, the Authority has sought funds to complete the Inaugural High-Speed Service in California's Central Valley, a significant step in completing the 500-mile California Phase 1 Corridor.

When in operation, high-speed rail will connect the mega-regions of the state, from San Francisco, through the cities



and rural communities of the Central Valley and continuing into Los Angeles and Anaheim. This corridor will improve mobility within and across those regions.

When it is completed, the project will:

- Feature 200+ mph trains running on renewable power
- Fundamentally transform how people move around the state
- Create jobs
- Spur economic growth and new industries, and

 Help achieve California and the Biden/Harris Administration's ambitious environmental objectives

The projected ridership for the California Phase 1 Corridor would make it the most traveled intercity passenger service in the nation.