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NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY/NOTICE OF AUTHORITY BOARD MEETING

California High-Speed Rail – Fresno to Bakersfield Project Section:

FINAL SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT

The California High-Speed Rail Authority (Authority) announces the availability of the **Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Report (Final Supplemental EIR)** for the **Fresno to Bakersfield Project Section (F-B)** of the **California High-Speed Rail Project**.

The Final Supplemental EIR and associated documents will be available to the public on October 5, 2018.

The Final EIR is available online in PDF format at the Authority website: www.hsr.ca.gov.

The Authority website also contains technical reports that inform the Fresno to Bakersfield Project Section Final Supplemental EIR. You may also request a CD ROM of the Fresno to Bakersfield Project Section Final EIR/EIS, Draft Supplemental EIR/EIS, and Final Supplemental EIR by calling (888) 481 2772. The Executive Summary is available in Spanish upon request.

The Fresno to Bakersfield Section Draft Supplemental EIR/EIS (November 2017) was prepared as a joint document to meet all pertinent requirements of both CEQA and NEPA. However, following publication of the Draft Supplemental EIR/EIS, the Authority and FRA have agreed to prepare the Final Supplemental EIR separate from the Final Supplemental EIS.

The Final Supplemental EIR is being made available to public agencies that commented on the Draft Supplemental EIR/EIS pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) prior to Authority decisions at the conclusion of this project level environmental review. The Authority is the project's lead agency under CEQA.

AUTHORITY BOARD MEETINGS:

October 16, 2018, 10:00 a.m.

Public comment on the Final Supplemental EIR, Staff presentation, and Board vote

> Bakersfield City Hall 1600 Truxtun Avenue Bakersfield, CA 93301

The Authority's Board of Directors will hold a one day board meeting, October 16, 2018, to consider whether to certify the Final Supplemental EIR under CEQA, which completes the CEQA process, and whether to approve the Fresno to Bakersfield Locally Generated Alternative, the May 2014 Project, or no project at all.

The Authority will collaborate with the FRA in the subsequent preparation of a Final Supplemental EIS and Supplemental Record of Decision (ROD) for the Project in compliance with NEPA. The Final Supplemental EIS and Supplemental ROD are expected to be published in late 2018.

Meeting facilities are accessible to persons with disabilities or who need assistance to participate. For translation services, or special needs, please call (866) 761-7755.