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Project Title: Gilroy to Central Valley Wye Project Segment of the San Jose to Merced Project Section

Lead Agency: California High Speed Rail Authority
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Project Location: County: Merced, San Benito, Santa Clara
City/Nearest Community: Gilroy, Hollister, Los Banos
Cross Streets: See Attachments
Zip Code: Various
Longitude/Latitude (degrees, minutes and seconds): ____° ____′ ____″ N / ____° ____′ ____″ W
Total Acres: Approx. 46.1 miles
Assessor's Parcel No.: Multiple
Section: ____ Twp.: ____ Range: ____ Base: ____
Within 2 Miles: State Hwy #: 25, 33, 152, 156, 165, US 101, I-5
Waterways: Multiple
Airports: Frazier Lake, Los Banos
Railways: Caltrain, UPRR
Schools: Multiple

Document Type:

CEQA: ☒ NOP ☐ Draft EIR
☐ Early Cons ☒ Supplement/Subsequent EIR
☐ Neg Dec (Prior SCH No.) 2009022083
☐ Mit Neg Dec Other: ____

NEPA: ☐ NOI ☐ EA ☐ Draft EIS ☐ FONSI

Other: ☐ Joint Document ☐ Final Document ☐ Other: ____

Local Action Type:

☐ General Plan Update ☐ Specific Plan ☐ Rezone ☐ Annexation
☐ General Plan Amendment ☐ Master Plan ☐ Prezone ☐ Redevelopment
☐ General Plan Element ☐ Planned Unit Development ☐ Use Permit ☐ Coastal Permit
☐ Community Plan ☐ Site Plan ☐ Land Division (Subdivision, etc.) ☒ Other: Authority is not required to comply with

Development Type:

☐ Residential: Units ____ Acres ____
☐ Office: Sq.ft. ____ Acres ____ Employees ____
☐ Commercial: Sq.ft. ____ Acres ____ Employees ____
☐ Industrial: Sq.ft. ____ Acres ____ Employees ____
☐ Educational: ____
☐ Recreational: ____
☐ Water Facilities: Type ____ MGD ____

☒ Transportation: Type Rail (Segment of High-Speed Rail Project)
☐ Mining: Mineral ____
☐ Power: Type ____ MW ____
☐ Waste Treatment: Type ____ MGD ____
☐ Hazardous Waste: Type ____
☐ Other: ____

Project Issues Discussed in Document:

☒ Aesthetic/Visual ☐ Fiscal ☒ Recreation/Parks ☒ Vegetation
☒ Agricultural Land ☒ Flood Plain/Flooding ☒ Schools/Universities ☒ Water Quality
☒ Air Quality ☒ Forest Land/Fire Hazard ☐ Septic Systems ☒ Water Supply/Groundwater
☒ Archeological/Historical ☒ Geologic/Seismic ☐ Sewer Capacity ☒ Wetland/Riparian
☒ Biological Resources ☐ Minerals ☒ Soil Erosion/Compaction/Grading ☒ Growth Inducement
☐ Coastal Zone ☒ Noise ☒ Solid Waste ☒ Land Use
☒ Drainage/Absorption ☐ Population/Housing Balance ☒ Toxic/Hazardous ☒ Cumulative Effects
☐ Economic/Jobs ☒ Public Services/Facilities ☒ Traffic/Circulation ☐ Other: Community impacts such as division of co

Present Land Use/Zoning/General Plan Designation:

Mix of urbanized uses (residential/commercial/industrial), transportation, and rural (agriculture, open space)

Project Description: *(please use a separate page if necessary)*

The Authority approved an alignment from San Jose to the Central Valley Wye based on the 2022 Final EIR/EIS for the San Jose to Merced Project Section. The Authority is exploring optimized design solutions from south of Gilroy to northwest of Los Banos to reduce project costs in light of current revenue forecasts. The Previously Approved Alignment extends 46.1 miles east from Gilroy through the Pacheco Pass and includes 15.1 miles in tunnel. The Authority has developed three new alternatives. Alternative 5 would follow the same alignment as the Previously Approved alignment, but would have 10.7 miles in tunnel. Alternatives 6 and 7 would diverge from the Previously Approved alignment, would travel south of the San Luis Reservoir across the Diablo Range, and would have 4 miles in tunnel. Alternative 5, 6 and 7 would initially have single-track alignments across the Diablo Range, double-track alignments beyond the hills and would be planned for initial operation in 2040. Alternatives 5, 6 and 7 would have double-track alignment the entire distance by 2050. All alternatives would include a Maintenance of Way Facility (MOWF) south of Gilroy, traction power facilities, train control and communication facilities, and access road. No new stations are include in this segment.

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S	Air Resources Board	S	Office of Historic Preservation
	Boating & Waterways, Department of		Office of Public School Construction
	California Emergency Management Agency	S	Parks & Recreation, Department of
	California Highway Patrol		Pesticide Regulation, Department of
X	Caltrans District # 4, 5, 10	S	Public Utilities Commission
	Caltrans Division of Aeronautics	X	Regional WQCB # 2,5
S	Caltrans Planning		Resources Agency
	Central Valley Flood Protection Board		Resources Recycling and Recovery, Department of
	Coachella Valley Mtns. Conservancy		S.F. Bay Conservation & Development Comm.
	Coastal Commission		San Gabriel & Lower L.A. Rivers & Mtns. Conservancy
	Colorado River Board		San Joaquin River Conservancy
S	Conservation, Department of		Santa Monica Mtns. Conservancy
	Corrections, Department of	S	State Lands Commission
	Delta Protection Commission		SWRCB: Clean Water Grants
	Education, Department of		SWRCB: Water Quality
	Energy Commission		SWRCB: Water Rights
X	Fish & Game Region # 3,4		Tahoe Regional Planning Agency
	Food & Agriculture, Department of	S	Toxic Substances Control, Department of
	Forestry and Fire Protection, Department of	S	Water Resources, Department of
	General Services, Department of		
	Health Services, Department of	S	Other: BAAQMD, SJVUAPCD, MBUAPCD
	Housing & Community Development	X	Other: Regional WQCB, Region 3.
S	Native American Heritage Commission		

Local Public Review Period (to be filled in by lead agency)

Starting Date 10/14/26 Ending Date 11/13/26

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