Connecting California, Expanding the Economy and Transforming Travel

California high-speed rail will fundamentally transform how people move around the state, spur economic growth, create a cleaner environment, and preserve agricultural lands and natural habitat – and it has already created thousands of good-paying jobs.

ABOUT CALIFORNIA HIGH-SPEED RAIL
The Phase 1 system will connect San Francisco to the Los Angeles basin via the Central Valley in under three hours on trains capable of reaching more than 200 miles per hour. Phase 2 will extend to Sacramento and San Diego.

OUR OBJECTIVES
The California High-Speed Rail Authority is working toward three fundamental objectives:

1. Initiate high-speed rail passenger service as soon as possible.
2. Make strategic, concurrent transportation investments that will link over time and provide mobility, economic and environmental benefits at the earliest possible time.
3. Position ourselves to construct additional segments as funding becomes available.

OUR PHASED IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGY
Our implementation and delivery strategy reflects those objectives and reiterates our intent to:

- Complete work on the 119-mile Central Valley Segment under construction now.
- Continue working with federal, state and local partners to make improvements to the system’s bookends in Northern California (Bay Area corridor) and Southern California (Burbank to Anaheim corridor).
- Create approximately 224 miles of high-speed-rail-ready infrastructure on two different lines, one in the Central Valley and one connecting San Francisco to Gilroy, to bring two high-speed lines into service as early as 2027.
- Obtain environmental clearances for project segments.
INVESTING IN CALIFORNIA’S FUTURE TO:

1. Increase Mobility to prepare for growth – with the state’s population estimated to reach 51 million by 2060
2. Improve Air Quality by shifting people from cars and planes to clean trains running on renewable energy
3. Cut Travel Times and provide a faster, more convenient way to get around the state – and create new opportunities for business-to-business collaboration
4. Stimulate Job Growth across the state – with construction jobs now and maintenance and operation jobs to come

California high-speed rail will directly connect 8 of the 10 largest cities in the state bringing Californians closer together

More Than 2,000 Craft Laborers have been dispatched to work on high-speed rail construction projects in the Central Valley

COMPARATIVE TRAVEL TIMES

*All travel times are approximate. Trips are measured from central business districts, existing passenger rail stations, or planned high-speed rail stations. Approximate car travel times were estimated based on the California Statewide Travel Demand Model. Existing passenger rail travel times were approximated using the Amtrak website, referencing schedules current as of publication. High-speed rail travel times are for non-stop service and were estimated by the California High-Speed Rail Authority using internal modeling, which includes at least 5% padded time. Run times do not take into account integration with other operators’ services in blended sections.

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