

# STATEWIDE CALIFORNIA HIGH-SPEED RAIL PROGRAM



# Why High-Speed Rail?

- California is the 7<sup>th</sup> Largest Economy in the World
- Transformative Investment
- High-Speed Rail Will:
  - Curb Congestion
  - Meet Demands of Population Growth
  - Improve Air Quality/  
Meet Sustainability
  - Connect All California Population Centers



# Connecting California



- Phase 1:
  - 520 Miles
  - San Francisco to Los Angeles/Anaheim
- Phase 2:
  - Extends to Sacramento and San Diego
  - Completes the 800-mile statewide system



## Starting in the Central Valley

- Central Valley will Serve as the “**Backbone**” of a System that will Tie Major Regions of California Together
- Fastest **Growing** Region in the State
- Revitalize Central Valley **Downtown Centers**
- Creates **Jobs** in a Region with High Unemployment
- Best, Most **Cost-Efficient** Location for Testing



# Benefits of High-Speed Rail

- **Creates** jobs in the Central Valley and statewide
- **Provides** opportunities for small businesses
- **Connects** with and reinforces local mobility
- **Promotes** healthy, livable & safe communities
- **Improves** safety by eliminating grade crossings in the Central Valley

