

High Speed Rail (HSR) Fact Sheet

California HSR is...

- Being designed as an alternative transportation system to/from San Francisco and LA in response to Prop 1A, passed by voters in 2008.
- A project with significant short and long-term impacts (positive and negative) to the State of California and the Peninsula communities along the Caltrain Corridor.
- One of the most expensive, complex public works projects undertaken in the country.
- Scheduled to begin construction in 2012, estimated to cost over \$42 billion and will provide new construction jobs.
- Currently planning the first segment to run from San Francisco to San Jose (with 2 Peninsula stops) on either aerial viaduct, at grade, open trench or covered trench.
- Options considered in Burlingame include aerial viaduct, open trench and covered trench.

The City of Burlingame is...

- Part of the Peninsula Cities Consortium, working with 4 other peninsula cities to collaborate with the HSR Authority for the best outcome for our city.
- Hiring experts to assist Council in protecting our interests.
- Seeking citizen input and volunteers for this long and complicated project. There will be many opportunities for you to help along the way.
- Asking for your immediate involvement in the current Alternatives Analysis (AA) phase which examines above ground elevated and below ground trench/tunnel track options. (Also known as the vertical alignment options.)

You Can Be Involved By...

- Attending meetings/workshops on the AA, Context Sensitive Solution Process (CSS) & other HSR topics (see City and HSR-PREP sites on reverse for information)
- Visiting web sites and blogs (see reverse) to get up to speed on HSR
- Submitting your informed comments to the HSR Authority
- Signing up for the City of Burlingame's e-newsletter
- Attending or watching videos of City Council Meetings every other Monday (each meeting will have HSR on the agenda.)
<http://www.burlingame.org/index.aspx?recordid=4284&page=1352>
- Donating money to the City's HSR expense fund
- Spreading the word to friends, neighbors, colleagues

***Together City Council and its Citizens Can Make a Difference
We All Want An Outcome We Can Live With.***

See Reverse for Helpful Websites & Informational Links

Helpful Websites & Blogs:

For electronic copy email: hsr.prep@gmail.com

City of Burlingame

<http://www.burlingame.org/Index.aspx?page=1364>

Peninsula Cities Consortium

http://www.peninsularail.com/main/About_PCC/page39.htm

California High Speed Rail Authority

<http://www.cahighspeedrail.ca.gov/>

Peninsula Rail Program

<http://www.caltrain.com/peninsularailprogram.html>

California Rail Foundation

<http://calrailfoundation.org/HSR.html>

Legislative Analysts Office (LAO) 2009 High Speed Rail Business Plan

http://www.lao.ca.gov/handouts/transportation/2010/2009_High_Speed_Rail_01_12_10.pdf

CARRD Californians Advocating Responsible Rail Design

http <http://www.calhsr.com/>

HSR-PREP High Speed Rail-Peninsula Rail Engagement Project

Hsr,prep@gmail.com

<http://hsr-prep.blogspot.com/>

Terry Nagel, Vice Mayor E-Newsletter

<http://www.terrynagel.com/lists/?p=subscribe>

Community Coalition on High Speed Rail

<http://cc-hsr.org/>

Don't Railroad Us!

<http://www.dontrailroadus.com/>

California High Speed Rail Blog

<http://www.cahsrblog.com/>

Caltrain HSR Compatibility Blog

<http://caltrain-hsr.blogspot.com/>

See Reverse for High Speed Rail Facts