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Dear Project Stakeholder:

The California High-Speed Rail Authority (Authority) is pleased to announce the availability of a draft supplemental environmental impact report pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) entitled "Merced to Fresno Section: Central Valley Wye Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement" (referred to below as "Draft Supplemental EIR/EIS") for the California High-Speed Rail Project. This document was prepared by the Authority as the CEQA lead agency, as a supplement to the 2012 Final Merced to Fresno Section Final Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement (Merced to Fresno Final EIR/EIS), which was certified/approved by the Authority as CEQA lead agency and by the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) as the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) lead agency.

The Draft Supplemental EIR/EIS is being made available to the public for a 48-day review and comment period under CEQA. The 48-day review and comment period will begin on **FRIDAY, MAY 3, 2019**, and end on **THURSDAY, JUNE 20, 2019**. The Authority will host a Community Open House and a Public Hearing to receive comments on the environmental document and the alignment alternatives under consideration.

Community Open House WEDNESDAY, MAY 15, 2019 6:00 – 9:00 p.m. Fairmead Elementary School Cafeteria – 19421 Avenue 22 ¾, Fairmead, CA 93610	Public Hearing WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5, 2019 3:00 – 8:00 p.m. Chowchilla-Madera Fairgrounds Little Theater – 1000 S. Third Street, Chowchilla, CA 93610
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Spanish interpreters will be available at both meetings. Other language requests must be submitted 72 hours in advance. You can request interpreters by calling (800) 881-5799 or contacting the California Relay Service at 711. Both meeting facilities are ADA accessible. A court reporter will be available at the public hearing to record public comments. Si necesita ayuda traduciendo o interpretando esta carta, hay personal disponible que habla español para ayudarle. Por favor llame (800) 881-5799.

The Draft Supplemental EIR/EIS can be viewed on the project website at http://hsr.ca.gov/Programs/Environmental_Planning/draft_supplemental_merced_fresno.html and comments can be submitted by email to CentralValley.Wye@hsr.ca.gov with the subject line "Merced to Fresno Section: Central Valley Wye Draft Supplemental EIR/EIS Comment".

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Copies of the document are also available for viewing at the following locations:

Venue	Address	Hard Copy	Electronic Copy
Authority's Fresno Office	1111 H Street, Fresno, CA 93721	X	X
Authority's Sacramento Office	770 L Street, Suite 620 MS-1, Sacramento, CA 95814	X	X
Madera County Library	121 North G Street, Madera, CA 93637	X	X
Chowchilla Branch Library	300 Kings Avenue, Chowchilla, CA 93610	X	X
Merced County Library	2100 O St, Merced, CA 95340	X	X
Madera County Clerk	200 W 4th St, Madera, CA 93637	X	X
Merced County Clerk	2222 M St, Merced, CA 95340	X	X

The Authority is committed to working closely with local and regional stakeholders and with our federal, state, and local partners, to ensure the success of California's high-speed rail project, and we look forward to your feedback on this important environmental document and project milestone. The enclosed Notice of Availability (NOA) provides detailed information regarding the Draft Supplemental EIR/EIS.

Sincerely,



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Enclosure: Public Notice of Availability (NOA) for the Merced to Fresno Section:
Central Valley Wye Draft Supplemental EIR/EIS