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H.1 Scoping Meetings and Noticing

The Tri-Valley – San Joaquin Valley Regional Rail Authority (Authority), serving as the lead agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) for the Valley Link project, issued a Notice of Preparation (NOP) of an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the project on September 13, 2018. The issuance of the NOP initiated the environmental scoping period for the project, which began on Thursday, September 13th and ended on Monday, October 15th, 2018. The NOP was submitted to the California State Clearinghouse; federal, regional, and local officials; federal, state, and local agencies; and interested members of the public.

The release of the NOP was publicized in the Livermore Independent, Pleasanton Weekly, Tri-Valley Herald, Tracy Press, Manteca Bulletin, Stockton Record, and El Observador newspapers immediately following the release of the NOP.

Two public scoping meetings were held for the project on the evening of October 2nd, 2018 at the Robert Livermore Community Center and on the evening of October 3rd at the Tracy City Hall Lobby.

Appendix A, *Scoping Report*, contains a summary of scoping outreach, scoping meetings and associated materials, and a summary of scoping comments received. It also includes a copy of the NOP, materials presented at the scoping meetings, copies of newspaper advertisements, and a compilation of scoping comments received.

H.2 Consultation and Coordination

The Authority performed extensive analysis of preliminary planning, environmental, and engineering information to identify feasible and practicable alternatives to carry forward for environmental review and preliminary engineering design considered for analysis in this EIR. Chapter 2, *Project Description*, describes the alternatives that are being considered in this EIR. Chapter 5, *Alternatives*, describes the screening process used to determine which alternatives to carry forward into this EIR, and which alternatives were considered but rejected for further analysis.

Throughout the preliminary planning and environmental process, the Authority conducted ongoing outreach activities with local agencies, organizations, and stakeholders identified along the project corridor; as well as regularly met with an Executive Steering Committee made up of executive staff from Alameda CTC, BART, Caltrans, MTC, SJCOG, and SJRRC to receive input at various points along the planning process. The Authority also held a total of 23 public outreach open houses, workshops, and pop-up events at various locations along the project corridor to notify the public about the proposed project and to solicit community feedback. Table P-1 contains a list of meetings held with organizations, agencies, and the public between March 2018 and October 2019.

In addition to consultation and coordination meetings, the Valley Link website (www.valleylinkrail.com) was developed and kept up-to-date with the most current announcements, public meeting information, the project fact sheet, informational materials, maps, and contact information.

Table H-1 Valley Link Consultation and Coordination Meetings Held				
Organization	Date	Topic		
Tracy Community Workshop on Stations	3/5/2018	Public outreach event to present the project concept and obtain input		
Tracy Stakeholder Workshop on Stations	3/5/2018	Meeting to obtain input on planning efforts		
Lathrop Community Workshop on Stations	3/12/2018	Public outreach event to present the project concept and obtain input		
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Tracy Community Workshop on Stations	4/21/2018	Public outreach event to present the project concept and obtain input		
Union Pacific Railroad	6/29/2018	Presented project concept and planning to-date		
Mountain House	9/12/2018	Presented project concept and planning to-date		
Union Pacific Railroad	9/13/2018	Presented project concept and planning to-date		
San Joaquin Council of Governments (SJCOG)	12/6/2018	Meeting to coordinate planning efforts		
BART	12/8/2018	Presented project concept and planning to-date		
River Islands	12/18/2018	Presented project concept and planning to-date		
California Department of Transportation (Caltrans)	1/8/2019	Meeting to coordinate planning efforts		
San Joaquin Ad Hoc Committee on Stations	1/8/2019	Meeting to obtain input on planning efforts		
City of Tracy	1/15/2019	Meeting to coordinate planning efforts		
Alameda TAC Meeting	1/16/2019	Meeting to obtain input on planning efforts		
BART	1/16/2019	Meeting to coordinate planning efforts		
Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) Executive Steering Committee Meeting	1/17/2019	Meeting to obtain input on planning efforts		
San Joaquin Council of Governments (SJCOG)	1/29/2019	Meeting to coordinate planning efforts		
San Joaquin Regional Rail Commission (SJRRC)	1/29/2019	Meeting to coordinate planning efforts		
Central Valley Rail Working Group	2/2/2019	Presented project concept and planning to-date		
California Department of Transportation (Caltrans)	2/6/2019	Meeting to coordinate planning efforts		
Mountain House Community Services District	2/7/2019	Meeting to coordinate planning efforts		
Bay Area Council	2/11/2019	Presented project concept and planning to-date		
Alameda County Transportation Commission	2/12/2019	Meeting to coordinate planning efforts		
City of Tracy	2/13/2019	Meeting to coordinate planning efforts		
Mountain House Workshop	2/16/2019	Public outreach event to present the project concept and obtain input		

California Department of Transportation (Caltrans)	2/19/2019	Meeting to coordinate planning efforts
Alameda TAC Meeting	2/20/2019	Meeting to coordinate planning efforts
San Joaquin Technical Advisory Committee Meeting	2/20/2019	Meeting to coordinate planning efforts
El Concilio Coalition Meeting	2/22/2019	Public outreach event to present the project concept and obtain input
Tracy Open House and Workshop	2/23/2019	Public outreach event to present the project concept and obtain input
Tracy Winter Farmer's Market	2/23/2019	Public outreach event to present the project concept and obtain input
CenTen Merchants Meeting	2/27/2019	Public outreach event to present the project concept and obtain input
Alameda County Transportation Commission	2/28/2019	Meeting to coordinate planning efforts
Delta Stewardship Council	2/28/2019	Meeting to obtain input on planning efforts
Alameda County Transportation Commission	3/4/2019	Meeting to coordinate planning efforts
ACE Park & Ride Lot Pop-up (Vasco Road)	3/12/2019	Public outreach event to present the project concept and obtain input
Central Valley Association of Realtors	3/13/2019	Public outreach event to present the project concept and obtain input
Las Positas College Club Day	3/13/2019	Public outreach event to present the project concept and obtain input
ReMax Manteca Sales Meeting	3/13/2019	Public outreach event to present the project concept and obtain input
Dublin St. Patrick's Day Festival - Day 1	3/16/2019	Public outreach event to present the project concept and obtain input
Dublin St. Patrick's Day Festival - Day 2	3/17/2019	Public outreach event to present the project concept and obtain input
Grant Line Road Park and Ride Lot - Pop up	3/19/2019	Public outreach event to present the project concept and obtain input
Alameda TAC Meeting	3/20/2019	Meeting to obtain input on planning efforts
San Joaquin Technical Advisory Committee Meeting	3/20/2019	Meeting to obtain input on planning efforts
Livermore Farmer's Market	3/24/2019	Public outreach event to present the project concept and obtain input
Dublin/Pleasanton BART Station Pop-up	3/26/2019	Public outreach event to present the project concept and obtain input
San Joaquin Council of Governments (SJCOG)	3/28/2019	Meeting to coordinate planning efforts
San Joaquin Partnership Meeting	3/28/2019	Public outreach event to present the project concept and obtain input
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Alameda County Transportation Commission	3/29/2019	Meeting to coordinate planning efforts
California High-Speed Rail Authority	3/29/2019	Presented project concept and planning to-date
Dublin/Pleasanton BART Station Pop-up	4/2/2019	Public outreach event to present the project concept and obtain input
City of Dublin	4/2/2019	Presented project concept and planning to-date
California State Transportation Agency (CalSTA)	4/3/2019	Presented project concept and planning to-date
Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) Executive Steering Committee Meeting	4/3/2019	Meeting to obtain input on planning efforts
Dublin Farmer's Market	4/4/2019	Public outreach event to present the project concept and obtain input
San Joaquin Council of Governments (SJCOG)	4/4/2019	Meeting to coordinate planning efforts
Joint Alameda County/San Joaquin County Technical Advisory Committee Meeting	4/5/2019	Meeting to obtain input on planning efforts
Lathrop/River Islands Workshop	4/6/2019	Public outreach event to present the project concept and obtain input
Lathrop Lions Carnival Pop up	4/13/2019	Public outreach event to present the project concept and obtain input
Central Valley Rail Working Group	4/26/2019	Presented project concept and planning to-date
City of Livermore	4/30/2019	Meeting to coordinate planning efforts
Joint Alameda County/San Joaquin County Technical Advisory Committee Meeting	5/1/2019	Meeting to obtain input on planning efforts
California Department of Transportation (Caltrans)	5/2/2019	Meeting to coordinate planning efforts
Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) Executive Steering Committee Meeting	5/3/2019	Meeting to obtain input on planning efforts
California Department of Transportation (Caltrans)	5/14/2019	Meeting to coordinate planning efforts
City of Dublin and Westin Hotel Consultant Team	5/23/2019	Meeting to coordinate planning efforts
Contreras Market Pop-up (Livermore)	6/1/2019	Public outreach event to present the project concept and obtain input
Joint Alameda County/San Joaquin County Technical Advisory Committee Meeting	6/5/2019	Meeting to obtain input on planning efforts
Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) Executive Steering Committee Meeting	6/6/2019	Meeting to obtain input on planning efforts
California Department of Transportation (Caltrans)	6/11/2019	Meeting to coordinate planning efforts

BART	6/14/2019	15% Design Review Meeting
San Joaquin Council of Governments (SJCOG)	6/27/2019	Meeting to coordinate planning efforts
San Joaquin Joint Powers Authority (SJJPA)	7/26/2019	Meeting to coordinate planning efforts
City of Dublin	7/26/2019	Design discussion meeting
BART	7/31/2019	Meeting to obtain input on planning efforts
California Department of Transportation (Caltrans)	7/31/2019	Meeting to coordinate planning efforts
Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) Executive Steering Committee Meeting	8/2/2019	Meeting to obtain input on planning efforts
Prologis	8/19/2019	Meeting to obtain input on planning efforts
Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) Executive Steering Committee Meeting	9/6/2019	Meeting to obtain input on planning efforts
Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) Executive Steering Committee Meeting	10/4/2019	Meeting to obtain input on planning efforts