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SCH #

**Project Title:** Valley Rail Sacramento Extension Project**Lead Agency:** San Joaquin Regional Rail Commission**Contact Person:** Kevin Sheridan**Mailing Address:** 949 East Channel Street**Phone:** (209) 944-6224**City:** Stockton**Zip:** 95202**County:** San Joaquin**Project Location:** County: San Joaquin/Sacramento City/Nearest Community: Stockton, Lodi, Elk Grove, Sacramento**Cross Streets:** Varies**Zip Code:** Varies**Longitude/Latitude (degrees, minutes and seconds):** ° ' " N / ° ' " W **Total Acres:****Assessor's Parcel No.:** N/A**Section:** **Twp.:** **Range:** **Base:****Within 2 Miles:** State Hwy #: SR 12, I-5, SR 99, Bus 80, SR 160 I-80**Waterways:** Consumnes River, Laguna Creek, Morrison Creek, Sacramento River, American River, Steelhead Creek**Airports:** Franklin Field, Kingdon, Sac Executive**Railways:** UPRR**Schools:** Multiple**Document Type:**

**CEQA:** ☒ NOP ☐ Draft EIR **NEPA:** ☐ NOI **Other:** ☐ Joint Document  
☐ Early Cons ☐ Supplement/Subsequent EIR ☐ EA ☐ Final Document  
☐ Neg Dec (Prior SCH No.) ☐ Draft EIS ☐ Other:  
☐ Mit Neg Dec **Other:** ☐ FONSI

**Local Action Type:**

☐ General Plan Update ☐ Specific Plan ☐ Rezone ☐ Annexation  
☐ General Plan Amendment ☐ Master Plan ☐ Prezone ☐ Redevelopment  
☐ General Plan Element ☐ Planned Unit Development ☐ Use Permit ☐ Coastal Permit  
☐ Community Plan ☐ Site Plan ☐ Land Division (Subdivision, etc.) ☐ Other:

**Development Type:**

☐ Residential: Units \_\_\_\_\_ Acres \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Office: Sq.ft. \_\_\_\_\_ Acres \_\_\_\_\_ Employees \_\_\_\_\_ ☒ Transportation: Type Passenger Rail  
☐ Commercial: Sq.ft. \_\_\_\_\_ Acres \_\_\_\_\_ Employees \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Mining: Mineral \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Industrial: Sq.ft. \_\_\_\_\_ Acres \_\_\_\_\_ Employees \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Power: Type \_\_\_\_\_ MW  
☐ Educational: \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Waste Treatment: Type \_\_\_\_\_ MGD  
☐ Recreational: \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Hazardous Waste: Type \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Water Facilities: Type \_\_\_\_\_ MGD ☐ Other:

**Project Issues Discussed in Document:**

☒ Aesthetic/Visual ☐ Fiscal ☒ Recreation/Parks ☒ Vegetation  
☒ Agricultural Land ☒ Flood Plain/Flooding ☐ Schools/Universities ☒ Water Quality  
☒ Air Quality ☒ Forest Land/Fire Hazard ☒ Septic Systems ☒ Water Supply/Groundwater  
☒ Archeological/Historical ☒ Geologic/Seismic ☒ Sewer Capacity ☒ Wetland/Riparian  
☒ Biological Resources ☒ Minerals ☒ Soil Erosion/Compaction/Grading ☒ Growth Inducement  
☐ Coastal Zone ☒ Noise ☒ Solid Waste ☒ Land Use  
☒ Drainage/Absorption ☒ Population/Housing Balance ☒ Toxic/Hazardous ☒ Cumulative Effects  
☐ Economic/Jobs ☒ Public Services/Facilities ☒ Traffic/Circulation ☒ Other: Energy/GHG

**Present Land Use/Zoning/General Plan Designation:**

Varies

**Project Description:** (please use a separate page if necessary)

See Attached

Note: The State Clearinghouse will assign identification numbers for all new projects. If a SCH number already exists for a project (e.g. Notice of Preparation or previous draft document) please fill in.

right-of-way (ROW) along the Sacramento and Fresno Subdivisions.<sup>2</sup> However, the Project would also include the construction of new passenger rail stations in Lodi, and five stations in Sacramento ("Elk Grove", City College, Midtown, Old North Sacramento, and Natomas/Sacramento Airport), as well as a maintenance and layover facility; all proposed for construction adjacent to UPRR ROW on ROW to be acquired for the project.

### ***Project Location Map***

See attached.

### **E. Project Objectives**

The primary objectives of the Project are to expand passenger rail service to new markets, increase frequency of service, increase passenger rail ridership and reduce travel time between the San Joaquin Valley and the Sacramento area; augment transit capacity and provide transit connections; alleviate traffic congestion, improve regional air quality, and reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions; and to support local and regional land use development plans and policies.

### **F. Project Description**

The Project includes the implementation of new passenger rail service from the existing Stockton Downtown/ACE Station in Stockton, north to the North Natomas area of Sacramento. The Project includes the addition of both Amtrak San Joaquins trains and ACE trains along the Sacramento and Fresno Subdivisions serving the six proposed stations (further described below).

The Project includes the potential implementation of two new roundtrip San Joaquins operating on the Sacramento, Fresno, and BNSF Stockton Subdivisions. One roundtrip would operate between the proposed Natomas/Sacramento Airport Station and the existing Fresno Amtrak Station, and one round trip would operate between the proposed Natomas/Sacramento Airport Station and the existing Bakersfield Amtrak Station.

The Project also includes an extension of existing ACE service to the proposed Natomas Station. One existing ACE train would originate at the proposed Natomas Station in the morning and operate to the Stockton Downtown/ACE Station. Once at the Stockton Downtown/ACE Station, the train would operate in the same manner as the existing ACE service to the San Jose Diridon Station. In the afternoon, one existing ACE train would depart the San Jose Diridon Station and operate to the Stockton Downtown/ACE Station (as is current), then continue north to terminate at the proposed Natomas Station where it would layover overnight.

The Project also includes service from the proposed Natomas Station to the Ceres ACE Station included in the ACE Extension Lathrop to Ceres/Merced project. This service would provide three ACE trips that would originate at the Ceres Station in the morning, travel to the Natomas Station, and layover during the day. One of the trains would make a mid-day round trip south to

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<sup>2</sup> A *subdivision* is a portion of railroad or railway that operates under a single timetable (authority for train movement in the area).

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### Local Public Review Period (to be filled in by lead agency)

Starting Date September 13, 2019

Ending Date October 14, 2019

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Date: 9/12/19

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