NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY FOR A DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT

In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines, the Los Angeles – San Diego – San Luis Obispo (LOSSAN) Rail Corridor Agency, as Lead Agency, has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the Central Coast Layover Facility (CCLF) Project. This notice provides the public, responsible agencies, and other interested parties with a summary of the proposed project, and information regarding the availability of the Draft EIR for public review.

PROJECT LOCATION

The project site is located on approximately 13 acres of relatively undeveloped land in the City of San Luis Obispo, which is situated along the Central Coast region of the state, about 190 miles north of Los Angeles. The proposed project is located south of the existing San Luis Obispo Amtrak Station (1011 Railroad Avenue). It extends from south of the San Luis Obispo Railroad Museum's parking lot to east of Lawrence Drive. The project site is between the Union Pacific Main Tracks and existing commercial and residential development to the west.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The proposed project includes the construction of a new rail yard, storage and servicing tracks, operations and maintenance buildings, landscape improvements, pedestrian improvements, and safety and security features. Since funding is not available to construct the entire facility at once, construction phasing for the project is anticipated. This includes constructing the initial most critical portions of the facility, and the remaining components as need arises and funding becomes available.

SUMMARY OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS

The Draft EIR analyzed the following resource areas: Aesthetics, Air Quality, Biological Resources, Cultural Resources, Energy, Geology and Soils, Greenhouse Gas Emissions, Hazards and Hazardous Materials, Hydrology and Water Quality, Land Use and Planning, Noise, Transportation, Tribal Cultural Resources, and Utilities and Service Systems. All potentially significant impacts of the proposed project would be reduced to levels less than significant with implementation of the mitigation measures identified in the Draft EIR.

HAZARDOUS MATERIALS SITES

Section 15087(c)(6) of the CEQA Guidelines require that the Notice of Availability disclose the presence of the site on any of the lists of sites enumerated under Government Code Section 65962.5. The project site is not included on any environmental database listings.

PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD

The 45 day-public review period will begin on November 5, 2021 and end on December 20, 2021.

DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY

The Draft EIR will be available on the LOSSAN Rail Corridor Agency's website at http://www.octa.net/LOSSAN-Rail-Corridor-Agency/Central-Coast-Layover-Facility/. In addition, the Draft EIR, including supporting technical documentation, is available to the general public for review during normal operating hours at the following locations:

LOSSAN Rail Corridor Agency

600 South Main Street Orange, CA 92863

San Luis Obispo Council of Governments*

1114 Marsh Street

San Luis Obispo, CA 93401

*Please call (805) 781-4219 prior to visiting the San Luis Obispo Council of Governments office for review.

PROVIDING COMMENTS

Interested persons should send written comments to:

Attn: James Campbell, Manager of Programs LOSSAN Rail Corridor Agency 600 South Main Street Orange, CA 92863

Comments may also be submitted electronically via email to: capitalprojects@lossan.org. Please include "Central Coast Layover Facility" or "(CCLF)" in the email subject line.

All public comments must be received by 5:00 p.m. on December 20, 2021 to ensure incorporation into the Final EIR.