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Five Construction Teams Qualified to Bid on Next 22 Miles of the High-Speed Rail in Central Valley

SACRAMENTO, Calif. – The California High-Speed Rail Authority (Authority) today announced that five world-class construction teams with international experience in developing high-speed rail programs are qualified to bid on Construction Package 4 (CP4) - the next 22-mile mile phase of construction through the counties of Tulare and Kern and the cities of Wasco and Shafter.

“These five teams represent some of the best in the business for delivering California’s high-speed rail program,” said Authority CEO Jeff Morales. “The amount of interest we receive about the high-speed rail program indicates a competitive market and interest from respected industry leaders who want to be a part of construction and delivery of the first high-speed rail system in the nation.”

Meeting qualifications are the following teams in alphabetical order:

- California Rail Builders: Ferrovia Agroman US Corp.
- Central Valley Connection Builders: FCC Construcción S.A. and Corsan-Corviam Construcción S.A.
- Dragados/Flatiron Joint Venture: Dragados USA, Inc. and Flatiron West Inc.
- Salini Impregilo/Security Paving Joint Venture: Salini Impregilo S.p.A. and Security Paving Company, Inc.
- Tutor Perini/Zachry/Parsons a Joint Venture: Tutor Perini Corporation, Zachry Construction Corporation and Parsons Transportation Group Inc.

Today’s announcement represents the completion of the first part of a two-phase procurement process for CP 4. In November 2014, the Authority issued a Request for Qualifications for CP 4. In March, five teams submitted Statement of Qualifications that underwent an extensive review process lead by Authority staff. That process established the list of qualified teams based on experience, technical competency, project understanding, ability to perform and other factors. These five firms are now eligible to submit formal proposals. The Authority anticipates releasing a Request for Proposal in the coming weeks.

Work on CP 4 will extend approximately 22-miles through the Central Valley beginning one mile north of the Tulare/Kern County line to Poplar Avenue north of Bakersfield with an estimated cost of \$400 to \$500 million. This contract contains the Authority’s 30 percent Small Business participation goals and the Community Benefits agreement, which is designed to target disadvantaged workers and provide them with job and training opportunities.

The selected design-build firm will be responsible for all work required to design and construct the CP 4. The work will include construction of at-grade, retained fill and aerial sections of the alignment, relocation of four miles of existing Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF) tracks, construction of waterway and wildlife crossings and roadway reconstructions, relocations and closures. This phase of construction received state and federal environmental clearances in 2014.

For more information on high-speed rail project and the design-build contract for CP 4, visit:
http://hsr.ca.gov/Programs/Construction/Design_Build_Construction_Pkg_4/index.html

About California High-Speed Rail Authority

The California High-Speed Rail Authority (Authority) is responsible for planning, designing, building and operation of the first high-speed rail system in the nation. California high-speed rail will connect the mega-regions of the state, contribute to economic development and a cleaner environment, create jobs and preserve agricultural and protected lands. By 2029, the system will run from San Francisco to the Los Angeles basin in under three hours at speeds capable of over 200 miles per hour. The system will eventually extend to Sacramento and San Diego, totaling 800 miles with up to 24 stations. In addition, the Authority is working with regional partners to implement a statewide rail modernization plan that will invest billions of dollars in local and regional rail lines to meet the state's 21st century transportation needs. To learn more visit the Authority's website at <http://www.hsr.ca.gov> and join us on [facebook.com/CaliforniaHighSpeedRail](https://www.facebook.com/CaliforniaHighSpeedRail) and follow us at twitter.com/cahsra

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