CALIFORNIA HIGH-SPEED RAIL AUTHORITY

POLICY DIRECTIVE

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SUBJECT: Environmental Justice Policy

The California High-Speed Rail Authority (Authority) promotes Environmental Justice into its programs, policies, and activities to avoid, minimize or mitigate disproportionately high human health, environmental effects, including social and economic effects on minority and low-income populations. It is the policy of the Authority to duly emphasize the fair and meaningful involvement of all regardless of race, color, national origin or income with respect to the high-speed rail project planning, development, operations and maintenance. This policy directs the Authority to appropriately engage the public through public participation forums so that decisions are mitigated and reflects environmental justice for all communities. This commitment strives to inspire environmental justice and equal access.

The Authority shall develop and maintain an Environmental Justice Guidance in compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Presidential Executive Order 12898 and California State law—Government Code Section 65040.2 et. seq. and Public Resources Code Section 71110 et. seq.