



## Land Use Services Department Planning

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California High-Speed Rail Authority  
Attn: Draft 2022 Business Plan  
770 L Street, Suite 620 MS-1  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Subject: San Bernardino County Transportation Authority (SBCTA) comments on the Draft of the 2022 High-Speed Rail Business Plan

Dear Colleagues at the California High-Speed Rail Authority:

This letter provides San Bernardino County Land Use Services' comments on the Draft of the 2022 High-Speed Rail Business Plan issued by the California High-Speed Rail Authority (CHSRA) on February 8, 2022.

It is our understanding that the proposed BNSF Intermodal Facility in Colton and the Lenwood Staging Tracks in Barstow are said to be necessary to enable two high-speed rail (HSR) tracks to be incorporated into the BNSF rail corridor for the Los Angeles to Anaheim HSR segment. While the 2022 Draft Business Plan does not make mention of these facilities, a description of the BNSF facilities in Colton and Barstow appeared in the 2020 Draft Business Plan but was removed by the Authority in the Revised Draft.

The County has concerns about the impact of this project on our disadvantaged communities and overall transportation network, as both facilities are in unincorporated San Bernardino County. The localized impacts in Colton residential areas and on our transportation system will be severe. We urgently request that the Authority include the discussion of the Colton Intermodal Facility and the Lenwood Staging Tracks in the 2022 Business Plan before the draft EIS/EIR is released so that the significance of these impacts is not overlooked. This is even more appropriate when one considers that the Colton Intermodal Facility and Lenwood Staging Tracks have become part of the CEQA Project Description now incorporated into the High-Speed Rail Project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "David R. Doublet".

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