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The environmental review, consultation, and other actions required by applicable federal environmental laws for this project are being or have been carried out by the State of California pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated July 23, 2019, and executed by the Federal Railroad Administration and the State of California.



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Acronyms and Abbreviations

ACS American Community Survey

Authority California High-Speed Rail Authority

C.F.R. Code of Federal Regulations

Caltrans California Department of Transportation

CEQ Council on Environmental Quality

CEQA California Environmental Quality Act

EIR Environmental Impact Report

EIS Environmental Impact Statement

EJ Environmental Justice

Fed. Reg. Federal Register

FRA Federal Railroad Administration

HSR High-Speed Rail

IOS Initial Operating Section

LEP limited English proficiency

NEPA National Environmental Policy Act
NRHP National Register of Historic Places

NOI Notice of Intent

NOP Notice of Preparation

TCP Traditional Cultural Properties



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APPENDIX 5-A: ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE OUTREACH PLAN

Since publication of the Palmdale to Burbank Project Section Draft Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement (EIR/EIS), the following substantive changes have been made to this appendix:

- Section 1.2, Regulatory Setting, was updated to include discussions regarding the United States Department of Transportation (USDOT) Order 5610.2C, the Presidential Memorandum Accompanying United States Presidential Executive Order (USEO) 12898, USEO 13166, the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act, USEO 13895, USEO 13990, USEO 14008 (Section 223), and USEO 14096.
- Section 3.3.2, Environmental Justice Group Events and Meetings, was updated to include information on Environmental Justice (EJ) outreach that will be required under Impact Avoidance and Minimization Feature (IAMF) EJ-IAMF#1 and other EJ-related IAMFs.
- Attachment A, Advocacy and Community Groups Serving Minority and Low-Income Communities, has been revised to include Pacoima Beautiful.
- Attachment B, Focused Alignment Outreach Plan Strategy, has been revised to include recommend outreach tactics for the Lake View Terrace Community.

1 INTRODUCTION

In compliance with United States Presidential Executive Order (USEO) 12898 requiring the avoidance/mitigation of disproportionate health and environmental effects on environmental justice (EJ) populations (see 1.2 Regulatory Setting for details), the California High-Speed Rail Authority (Authority) develops EJ Outreach Plans for each High-Speed Rail (HSR) project section (Exec. Order No. 12898). Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, states that "no person in the United States shall, on the grounds of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefit of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity that receives Federal financial assistance" (Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title VI). EJ, as mandated by Presidential Executive Order 12898, Federal Actions to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low-Income Populations (Exec. Order No. 12898) falls under the umbrella of Title VI (California High-Speed Rail Authority, Title VI). Executive Order 12898 states that "each Federal agency shall make achieving EJ part of its mission by identifying and addressing, as appropriate, disproportionately high and adverse human health or environmental effects of its programs, policies, and activities on minority populations and low-income populations in the United States." Executive Order 12898 has been adopted as a planning process requirements for all Authority efforts.

The Authority's definition and application of the term EJ as it relates to the High-Speed Rail project is included below:

"Environmental Justice (EJ) is a fair treatment of people of all races, cultures, and income with respect to the development, adoption, implementation, and enforcement of environmental laws and policies. Implementation of environmental justice principles in how the Authority plans, designs, and delivers the high-speed rail projects means that [the Authority] recognizes the potential social and environmental impacts that project activities may have on certain segments of the public. [The Authority] recognizes how important provisions of existing environmental, civil rights, civil, and criminal laws may be used to help reduce environmental impacts in all communities and environmental justice on the human element. The Authority has included environmental justice considerations in its planning for the statewide high-speed rail system since 2000, when it commenced a programmatic environmental review process."

-California High-Speed Rail Authority, Title VI Annual Accomplishments Report, 2015



1.1 Overview of the Environmental Justice Outreach Plan and Project Section

This EJ Outreach Plan for the Palmdale to Burbank Project Section is prepared to support the *Palmdale to Burbank Project Section Environmental Impact Report (EIR) / Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)*. It is intended to guide the Authority in engaging minority and low-income populations in the project study area to communicate project information, listen to and respond to community thoughts and concerns, and identify potential actions to mitigate disproportionately high and adverse human health and environmental effects, including social and economic effects, on minority and low-income populations. The study area for the EJ Outreach Plan is depicted in Figure 5-A-1.

The 2005 Statewide Program EIR/EIS identified preferred corridors and general station locations for the Palmdale to Los Angeles Project Section. In 2014, the Authority determined the Palmdale to Los Angeles Project Section would be split into two sections, and in July 2014, the Authority released a Notice of Preparation (NOP), and the FRA published a Notice of Intent (NOI) to prepare separate EIR/EIS documents for the Palmdale to Burbank Project Section and Burbank to Los Angeles Project Section. One of the main reasons for the project section split was the Initial Operating Section (IOS) concept and its interim terminus in the San Fernando Valley. Additionally, the Authority determined that separate environmental documents would be more beneficial to address environmental impacts and conduct stakeholder outreach. The key environmental resources likely to be impacted were different between the two project sections, and separate environmental documents better supported project phasing and sequencing.

The Palmdale to Burbank Project Section Draft EIR/EIS is a stand-alone project environmental document. It will incorporate by reference information from the 2005 Statewide Program EIR/EIS in accordance with the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) regulations (40 Code of Federal Regulations [C.F.R] 1508.28) and State California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines (14 Cal. Code Regs. 15168[b]). Technical analysis, station design, and stakeholder outreach will be ongoing throughout 2016, with identification of an initial preferred alternative by early 2021. The Draft EIR/EIS was published August 2022.

Based on the ethnic and socio-economic characteristics of each community along the project study area, there are ongoing opportunities to implement strategies that incorporate EJ tactics. As such, outreach efforts will include consideration of the Limited English Proficiency (LEP)¹, minority, and low-income populations identified through the following methods:

- Meetings with elected officials, public agency staff, and community organizations. At each meeting, the Outreach Team will solicit additional stakeholder organizations that should be engaged.
- Review of community newspapers and websites, and online research of project study area city organizations that serve EJ populations.
- Identification of local churches, schools, and other institutions that serve EJ populations along the project study area.
- Direct contact with community organizations, religious leaders, business groups, and other members of the local community. At each meeting, the Outreach Team will ask which additional stakeholder organizations should be solicited and engaged.
- Utilization of Outreach Team knowledge of additional stakeholders and organizations from previous work experience throughout the project study area to augment research efforts.

The Authority requires that an EJ Outreach Plan be developed and implemented as part of the outreach effort for the Draft EIR/EIS. The EJ Outreach Plan:

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¹ Refer to section 1.3.3 for a detailed description of Limited English Proficiency (LEP) population and characterization.



- Summarizes demographics within the project area;
- Identifies EJ advocacy and community groups who are stakeholders in the project area;
- Describes the strategy for reaching out to, engaging, and gathering input from minority and low-income populations;
- Identifies the specific methods that will be used to implement this strategy such as digital media, information booths, and presentations to and listening posts with EJ advocacy and community groups, and;
- Lists the documents that will be prepared to document the EJ outreach efforts.

The process and guidelines described in this document are designed to provide consistency in the method used to obtain and share information with minority and low-income populations for use in the environmental review process for the Palmdale to Burbank Project Section. In addition, a draft Focused Alignment Plan (Attachment B) has been developed to guide recommended outreach tactics for each city and neighborhood.

1.2 Regulatory Setting

The Authority has a strong commitment to ensuring that no person shall, on the grounds of race, color, national origin, sex, age or disability be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity in the design, construction and operation of the high-speed rail system. Accordingly, the Authority developed and adopted a Title VI programmatic policy that pays careful attention to the needs of LEP and EJ populations.

The following text details applicable regulations, requirements, and federal and state efforts that govern and inform the development and implementation of this EJ Outreach Plan.

Executive Order 12898 (February 16, 1994)²

According to Executive Order 12898, Federal Actions to Address EJ in Minority Populations and Low-Income Populations, projects that receive federal funding should "ensure the full and fair participation by all potentially affected communities in the decision-making process; to avoid/mitigate disproportionately high human health or environmental effects, including social and economic effects, on minority and low-income populations; to prevent the denial of, reduction in, or significant delay in the receipt of benefit by minority populations and low-income populations" (Exec. Order 1289859). EJ populations, as identified by Executive Order 12898, are comprised of Black, Asian American, Native American, Hispanic/Latino, and low-income persons.

To emphasize the importance of Executive Order 12898, the Obama Administration facilitated a multi-agency signing of the "Memorandum of Understanding on EJ and Executive Order 12898" (EJ MOU) in 2011. On the 20th anniversary of original executive order the President issued a Presidential Proclamation further solidifying the Administration's commitment to EJ. The document states that communities historically burdened by pollution - particularly minority, low income and tribal communities - merit protection from environmental and health hazards, access to the Federal decision-making process, and access to a healthy environment in which to live, learn, and work. The EJ MOU increases federal agency accountability to EJ and outlines processes to aid overburdened communities and facilitate community engagement in agency decisions.

Executive Order 13166 (August 11, 2000)³

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² "Summary of Executive Order 12898 - Federal Actions to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low-Income Populations." EPA, Environmental Protection Agency, 16 Nov. 2015, https://www.epa.gov/laws-regulations/summary-executive-order-12898-federal-actions-address-environmental-justice.

³ "LEP.gov - Limited English Proficiency (LEP): A Federal Interagency Website." LEP.gov - Limited English Proficiency (LEP): A Federal Interagency Website, 12 May 2016, https://www.lep.gov/



In 2000, President Clinton issued Executive Order No. 13166 (USEO 13166), which provided additional federal guidance about providing information and services to people with limited English proficiency (LEP). Under USEO 13166, each federal agency is required to examine the services it provides and develop and implement a system by which LEP persons can meaningfully access those services consistent with, and without unduly burdening, the fundamental mission of the agency. Each federal agency shall also work to ensure that recipients of federal financial assistance (recipients) provide meaningful access to their LEP applicants and beneficiaries. To assist the agencies with this endeavor, the Department of Justice has issued a general guidance document, which sets forth the compliance standards that recipients must follow to ensure that the programs and activities they normally provide in English are accessible to LEP persons, and thus, do not discriminate on the basis of national origin in violation of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, and its implementing regulations.

According to the December 2015 USEO 13166 accomplishment report, federal agencies continue to improve implementation of the USEO 13166 via new tools, training, and resources; stronger coordination; integrated use of data and technology; increased technical assistance; and improved outreach and education.

Accordingly, the Authority provides LEP access, at a minimum, to individuals who are representative of more than five percent of the population in California or the county in which the Authority is providing an activity or service.

Actions to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low-Income Populations (USDOT Order 5610.2C)

To implement USEO 12898, the United States Department of Transportation (USDOT) relies on USDOT Order 5610.2C, which canceled and superseded USDOT Order 5610.2B in May 2021. Order 5610.2C applies to actions undertaken by the USDOT operating administrations, including FRA. The USDOT Order affirms the importance of considering EJ principles as part of early planning activities to avoid disproportionately high and adverse effects. The order states that the USDOT will not carry out any programs, policies, or activities that will have a disproportionately high and adverse effect on minority populations or low-income populations unless "further mitigation measures or alternatives that would avoid or reduce the disproportionately high and adverse effect are not practicable." The order defines a "disproportionately high and adverse effect on minority [and/or] low-income populations" to mean an adverse effect that is predominantly borne by a minority population or a low-income population, or that would be suffered by the minority population or low-income population, and that is appreciably more severe or greater in magnitude than would be suffered by the nonminority population or non-low-income population. "Adverse effects" are defined in the order as "the totality of significant individual or combined negative environmental, human health effects of DOT programs, policies, and activities."

Presidential Memorandum Accompanying USEO 12898

The Presidential Memorandum accompanying USEO 12898 calls for specific actions to be directed in National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)-related activities. They include:

- Analyzing environmental effects, including human health, economic, and social effects on minority populations and low-income populations when such analysis is required by NEPA
- Ensuring that mitigation measures outlined or analyzed in Environmental Assessments, EISs, and Records of Decision, whenever feasible, address disproportionately high and adverse environmental effects or proposed actions on minority and/or low-income populations
- Providing opportunities for community input in the NEPA process, including identifying
 effects and mitigation measures in consultation with affected communities, and improving
 accessibility to public meetings, official documents, and notices to affected communities



Improving Access to Services for Persons with Limited English Proficiency (USEO 13166)

USEO 13166 requires each federal agency to ensure that recipients of federal financial assistance provide meaningful access to their programs and activities by limited English proficiency (LEP) applicants and beneficiaries. Meaningful access can include availability of vital documents, printed and internet-based information in one or more languages, depending on the location of the project, and translation services during public meetings.

Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act (42 U.S.C. 61)

The Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act (Uniform Act) program ensures that persons displaced as a result of a federal action or by an undertaking involving federal funds are treated fairly, consistently, and equitably. This helps to ensure persons will not suffer disproportionate injuries as a result of projects designed for the benefit of the public as a whole.

Advancing Racial Equity and Support for Underserved Communities (USEO 13895)

USEO 13895, signed on January 20, 2021, requires each federal agency to draft and implement a plan in coordination with the Assistant to the President for Domestic Policy and the Director of the Office of Management and Budget. The plan shall evaluate and determine whether the agency's programs and policies maintain obstacles to opportunities and benefits for minority and low-income populations, to enable agencies to formulate policies and programs that provide equitable opportunities and benefits for underserved populations.

Protecting Public Health and the Environment and Restoring Science to Tackle the Climate Crisis (USEO 13990)

USEO 13990, signed on January 20, 2021, directs federal agencies to immediately review and take actions to address federal regulations and other actions taken during the last 4 years that conflict with national objectives, which include improving public health and the environment, reducing greenhouse gas emissions, and prioritizing EJ and employment.

Justice40 Initiative (USEO 14008, Section 223)

Section 223 of USEO 14008 established the Justice40 Initiative, which directs 40 percent of the overall benefits of certain federal investments (including investments in clean energy and energy efficiency, clean transit, affordable and sustainable housing, training and workforce development, the remediation and reduction of legacy pollution, and the development of clean water infrastructure) to flow to disadvantaged communities.

Revitalizing Our Nation's Commitment to Environmental Justice for All (USEO 14096)

Signed on April 21, 2023, USEO 14096 seeks to fully integrate the considerations of underserved and overburdened communities and populations into all aspects of federal agency planning, prioritizing meaningful engagement and collaboration with EJ communities, and expanding the definition of EJ to add Tribal affiliation and disability to the list of EJ indicators. Federal agencies would be required to prepare and submit an EJ Strategic Plan, in accordance with guidance forthcoming from Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ), prior to October 2024.

Section 3(ix) of USEO 14096 requires the Authority to carry out environmental reviews under NEPA consistent with the statute and its implementing regulations and through the exercise of the Authority's expertise and technical judgment, in a manner that (1) analyzes direct, indirect, and cumulative effects of the project on communities with EJ concerns, (2) considers best available science and information on any disparate health effects (including risks) arising from exposure to pollution and other environmental hazards, such as information related to the race, national origin, socioeconomic status, age, disability, and sex of the individuals exposed, and (3) provides opportunities for early and meaningful involvement in the environmental review process by communities with EJ concerns potentially affected by a proposed project.

Ultimately, USEO 14096—Revitalizing Our Nation's Commitment to Environmental Justice for All was enacted on April 21, 2023. USEO 14096 on EJ does not rescind USEO 12898, which has



been in effect since February 11, 1994, and is currently implemented through USDOT Order 5610.2C. This implementation will continue until further USDOT guidance is provided regarding the implementation of the new USEO 14096 on EJ.

1.3 Palmdale to Burbank Project Section Demographics

The Palmdale to Burbank Section is part of the first phase of the California High-Speed Rail System connecting the Antelope Valley to the San Fernando Valley to bring high-speed rail service to the urban Los Angeles area.

As shown in Figure 5-A-1, six alignments along the approximately 40-mile corridor are being considered: Refined SR14, SR14A, E1, E1A, E2, and E2A. Stations are proposed at the Palmdale Transportation Center and near the Hollywood Burbank Airport.



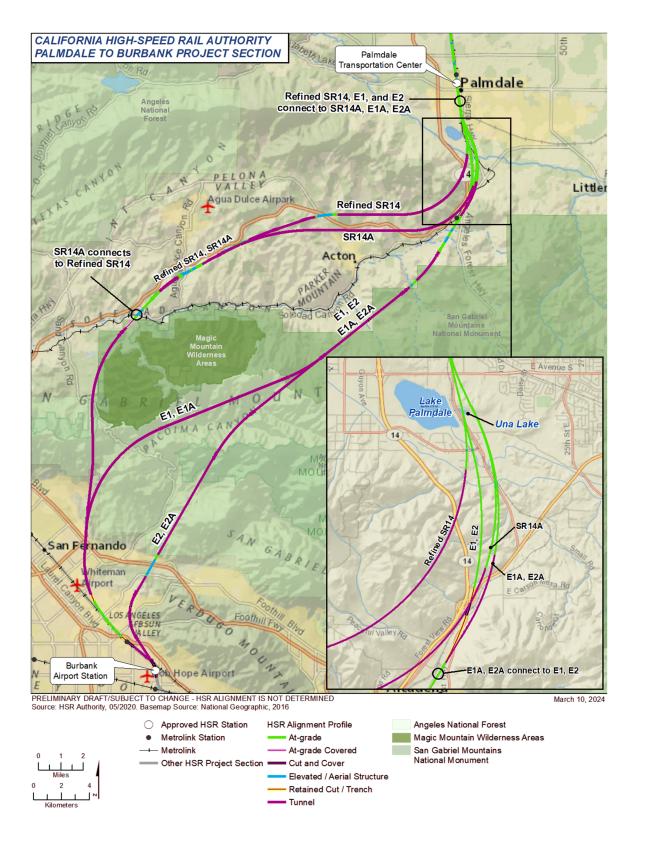


Figure 5-A-1 Overview of the Palmdale to Burbank Project Section



1.3.1 Demographics

The Palmdale to Burbank Project Section is an ethnically and economically diverse corridor populated with dense pockets of communities requiring targeted EJ outreach. Many of these communities are experiencing rapid change with respect to regional development and often lack the resources to become educated or voice concerns.

Based on data from the U.S. Census Bureau, 2010 - 2014 American Community Survey 5 Year Estimates in Table 5-A-1, the City of Palmdale, City of Los Angeles, and City of San Fernando have a higher percentage of Hispanic populations than the average in Los Angeles County. The cities of Palmdale and Los Angeles also have a higher percentage of Black/African American populations than the Los Angeles County average. Demographic data for the Palmdale Subsection and Maintenance Facility are provided in Table 5-A-1 for context.

Table 5-A-1 Demographics of the Palmdale to Burbank Project Section by Race/Ethnicity

Jurisdiction			Race (Percent of Total)			Ethnicity (Percent of Total)	Percent Minority ²	
	White	Black or African American	American Indian and Alaska Native	Asian	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	Other ¹	Hispanic	
Los Angeles County	53.4	8.3	0.5	14.0	0.3	23.4	48.1	72.8
City of Lancaster	60.2	24.2	0.7	4.2	0.5	10.3	37.7	65.8
City of Palmdale	42.4	13.8	0.7	4.4	0.1	38.6	56.6	77.1
City of Santa Clarita	73.7	2.6	0.4	9.4	0.1	13.8	31.4	47.6
City of Los Angeles	52.6	9.2	0.6	11.5	0.2	25.9	48.6	71.5
City of San Fernando	67.2	2.3	0.2	1.1	1.0	28.2	90.0	93.5
City of Burbank	73.6	1.9	0.2	11.5	0.0	12.7	35.8	43.3
Refined SR14								
Palmdale	32.7	15.3	0.4	2.5	0.2	48.9	62.3	82.9
Central	66.4	4.2	0.7	6.5	>0.1	22.1	68.4	80.4
Burbank	73.8	2.8	0.2	11	0.0	12.1	30.5	46.7
Maintenance Facility	58.0	21.6	0.7	7.7	0.3	11.7	36.7	67.4
SR14A								
Same as Refined SR14								
E1	1	1			ı		1	1
Palmdale	32.7	15.3	0.4	2.5	0.2	48.9	62.4	82.9
Central	66.6	4.3	0.6	6.8	>0.1	21.6	69.4	81.7
Burbank	73.8	2.8	0.2	11	0.0	12.1	30.5	46.7



Jurisdiction	Race (Percent of Total)					Ethnicity (Percent of Total)	Percent Minority ²	
	White	Black or African American	American Indian and Alaska Native	Asian	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	Other¹	Hispanic	
Maintenance Facility	58.0	21.6	0.7	7.7	0.3	11.7	36.7	67.4
E1A								
Same as E1								
E2								
Palmdale	32.7	15.3	0.4	2.5	0.2	48.9	62.4	82.9
Central	71.7	4.0	0.3	6.1	>0.1	17.8	48.6	60.4
Burbank	73.8	2.8	0.2	11	0.0	12.1	30.5	46.7
Maintenance Facility	58.0	21.6	0.7	7.7	0.3	11.7	36.7	67.4
E2A	E2A							

Same as E2

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2010 - 2014 American Community Survey 5 Year Estimates.

1.3.2 Age Characteristics

The distribution of age in a community is an indicator of the types of families that live in a community. Age distribution data can also reveal specific needs in a community for each specific age group.

The age distribution of Los Angeles County and the six cities in the study area is described and summarized in Table 5-A-2 below.

Table 5-A-2 Regional Age Distribution

Jurisdiction	Existing	Percent of Population			
	Population	Under 5 Years Old	19 Years Old and Under	65 Years Old and Over	
Los Angeles County	9,974,203	6.5	26.5	11.6	
City of Lancaster	159,092	8.0	32.5	9.1	
City of Palmdale	155,810	8.6	35.9	7.5	
City of Santa Clarita	179,030	5.9	28.6	10.8	
City of Los Angeles	3,862,210	6.5	25.2	10.9	
City of San Fernando	24,050	6.9	31.2	8.7	
City of Burbank	104,484	5.3	21.7	14.3	

¹Includes "Some other race alone" and "Two or more races."

² Since the California High-Speed Rail Project EIR/EIS Environmental Methodology Guidelines state that people defined as 'minority' include people who are American Indian and Alaska Native, Asian, Black or African American, Hispanic or Latino, and Native Hawaiian and other Pacific Islander (page 5-9), the minority percentage was calculated by subtracting the portion of the population that is white and not Hispanic from the total population.



Jurisdiction	Existing		Percent of Population			
	Population	Under 5 Years Old	19 Years Old and Under	65 Years Old and Over		
Refined SR14		·				
Palmdale	34,681	12.4	27.5	5.9		
Central	148,711	7.1	22.6	9.5		
Burbank	8,896	3.8	19.9	13.2		
Maintenance Facility	8,891	9.0	21.3	10.4		
SR14A						
Same as Refined SR14						
E1						
Palmdale	34,681	12.4	27.5	5.9		
Central	131,838	7.5	22.6	9.3		
Burbank	8,896	3.8	19.9	13.2		
Maintenance Facility	8,891	9.0	21.3	10.4		
E1A			·			
Same as E1						
E2						
Palmdale	34,681	12.4	27.5	5.9		
Central	55,704	6.0	24.7	12.3		
Burbank	8,896	3.8	19.9	13.2		
Maintenance Facility	8,891	9.0	21.3	10.4		
E2A		·				
Same as E2						

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2010 – 2014 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates except the Maintenance Facility and Palmdale Subsection which show 2009 – 2013 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

1.3.3 Limited English Proficiency (LEP)

Individuals who are considered to have LEP are individuals over five years old who have a limited ability to read, write, speak, or understand English. For purposes of this analysis, LEP communities are considered to be those communities where five percent or more of the population have limited ability to read, write, speak, or understand English.

As shown in Table 5-A-3, all cities in the study area have substantial populations who are considered linguistically isolated. The cities of Palmdale, Santa Clarita, and Burbank have LEP populations that are below the LEP rate of Los Angeles County. The cities of Los Angeles, San Fernando, and Glendale have LEP populations that are greater than the LEP rate of Los Angeles County.



Table 5-A-3 Regional Linguistic Isolation

Jurisdiction	Total Households	LEP Households ¹
Los Angeles County	3,242,391	14.0
City of Lancaster	47,872	5.9
City of Palmdale	42,012	10.2
City of Santa Clarita	59,314	5.7
City of Los Angeles	1,329,372	16.3
City of San Fernando	6,111	19.0
City of Burbank	41,414	10.0
Refined SR14		
Palmdale	9,513	14.6
Central	38,126	13.7
Burbank	3,325	9
Maintenance Facility	2,958	2.8
SR14A		
Same as Refined SR14		
E1		
Palmdale	9,513	14.6
Central	33,574	14.7
Burbank	3,325	9
Maintenance Facility	2,958	2.8
E1A		
Same as E1		
E2		
Palmdale	9,513	14.6
Central	16,606	9.2
Burbank	3,325	9
Maintenance Facility	2,958	2.8
E2A		
Same as E2		

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2010 - 2014 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates except the Maintenance Facility and Palmdale Subsection which show 2009 - 2013 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

¹ Includes households where all members 14 years old and over have at least some difficulty speaking English.

LEP = Limited English Proficiency



1.3.4 Socioeconomics

Based on the data presented in Table 5-A-4, the City of Palmdale and City of Los Angeles both have higher rates of low-income populations (defined as individuals and families whose respective incomes fall below the federal poverty threshold) than that of Los Angeles County.

Statistics related to household income and poverty for Los Angeles County and the six cities in the study area are described below and summarized in Table 5-A-4.

Table 5-A-4 Regional Household Income

Jurisdiction	Median Household Income ¹	Percent of the Population
Los Angeles County	\$55,870	18.4
City of Lancaster	\$45,130	22.7
City of Palmdale	\$54,921	21.3
City of Santa Clarita	\$83,178	9.3
City of Los Angeles	\$49,682	22.4
City of San Fernando	\$55,044	18.3
City of Burbank	\$66,111	10.1
Refined SR14		
Palmdale	\$35,095	33.0
Central	\$58,852	16.9
Burbank	\$66,757	7.5
Maintenance Facility	\$56,893	12.1
SR14A		
Same as Refined SR14		
E1		
Palmdale	\$35,095	33.0
Central	\$57,075	17.7
Burbank	\$66,757	7.5
Maintenance Facility	\$56,893	12.1
E1A		
Sam as E1		



Jurisdiction	Median Household Income ¹	Percent of the Population in Poverty
E2		
Palmdale	\$35,095	33.0
Central	\$65,082	15.5
Burbank	\$66,757	7.5
Maintenance Facility	\$56,893	12.1
E2	·	
Cama as E2		

Same as E2

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2010 – 2014 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates except the Maintenance Facility and Palmdale Subsection which show 2009 – 2013 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

1 This is the estimated median income for the subsection derived using linear interpolation.



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2 ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE ADVOCACY AND COMMUNITY GROUPS

To conduct outreach efforts to low-income and minority persons, the Authority Outreach Team (Outreach Team) has identified a list of 29 transportation advocacy, EJ, and social justice groups that are active on a regional or a statewide scale, as well as stakeholders and community organizations that provide services to or represent minority and low-income persons in the project area.

These organizations and groups advocate on behalf of minority and low-income populations in the project area and are potential audiences for targeted outreach efforts. Table 5-A-1 lists the organizations dedicated to serving EJ communities throughout the project area, and are organized by the following categories: (1) Transportation-Related EJ Groups; (2) EJ Groups; and (3) Social Justice Groups. Additional groups providing social services within the corridor but at a lesser EJ focused capacity are listed in Attachment B. As outreach continues, additional groups may be identified and added to either outreach list. All EJ organizations and appropriate contacts will be regularly tracked and updated to the master Project Section database.

Table 5-A-1 Regional Household Income Corridor Environmental Justice Advocacy and Community Groups

Organization Name	Description	Jurisdiction	Website				
Transportation-Relate	d Environmental Justice Groups						
TransForm	Transportation organization that seeks to transform communities and transportation with new solutions, smarter investments, and better planning as well as improve community access, health, justice, and sustainability. Though most of their work to date has been focused on the Bay Area, their board has strong Southern California Representation.	Statewide	http://www.transformca.org				
Environmental Justice	Environmental Justice Groups						
California Endowment	Statewide grant-making organization that promotes fundamental improvements in the health status of all Californians.	Statewide	http://www.calendow.org/				
California Environmental Justice Alliance	Statewide, community-led alliance that works to achieve environmental justice by advancing policy solutions. Environmental Justice Alliance uses community organizing in low-income communities and communities of color to alleviate poverty and pollution.	Statewide	http://caleja.org/				
California Environmental Rights Alliance	Statewide volunteer alliance of community activist organizations focused on achieving environmental justice and improving community health in California.		http://www.envirorights.org/abo ut.html				



Organization Name	Description	Jurisdiction	Website
Center for Health, Environment and Justice	National environmental justice organization building healthy communities and serving as a resource for grassroots environmental activism.	Nationwide	http://chej.org/
Center on Race, Poverty & the Environment	National environmental justice organization building healthy communities and serving as a resource for grassroots environmental activism.	Nationwide	http://www.crpe-ej.org/crpe/
Coalition for Clean Air	Statewide Environmental Justice organization building healthy communities and serving as a resource for grassroots environmental activism.	Statewide	http://www.ccair.org/
Communities for a Better Environment	Statewide environmental justice organization which teaches organizing and leadership skills and offers technical assistance to residents in blighted and heavily polluted urban communities throughout California.	Statewide	http://www.cbecal.org/
Community Health Councils	Los Angeles County nongovernmental organization using federal funding and local partnerships to improve environmental health and human health (healthcare systems, health coverage, and nutrition resources).	Los Angeles County	http://www.chc-inc.org/
Environmental Justice Coalition for Water (EJCW)	Statewide coalition of grassroots groups and intermediary organizations building a collective, community-based movement for democratic water allocation, management, and policy in California. EJCW empowers the most under-served communities, including those of low-income and communities of color throughout California to advocate for clean, safe, and affordable water.	Statewide	http://ejcw.org
Greenaction	Multiracial grassroots organization that works with low-income and working class urban, rural, and indigenous communities to fight environmental racism and build a clean, healthy and just future for all.	Statewide	http://greenaction.org/#
Los Angeles Environmental Justice Network	Los Angeles County coalition of many EJ organizations. The EJ Network holds monthly coordination meetings.	Los Angeles County	No website (see individual member organizations)



Organization Name	Description	Jurisdiction	Website
The City Project	Los Angeles County based environmental and social justice organization working to change urban environmental policy and city planning to support climate justice, health and wellness, create economic vitality, and fight displacement.	Los Angeles County	http://www.cityprojectca.org/
Physicians for Social Responsibility Los Angeles (PSR-LA)	Nationwide organization focused on coalition-building and policy development, PSR-LA focuses on international issues, as well as local industrial lands in Los Angeles.	Los Angeles County	http://www.psr-la.org/
Social Justice Groups	S		
BIENESTAR Latino Community Services	BIENESTAR is focused on improving health and well-being in the Latino community and other underserved communities in Southern California through grassroots community organizing.	Los Angeles County	https://www.bienestar.org
California Pan-Ethnic Health Network	Statewide network that promotes health equity by advocating for public policies and sufficient resources to address the health needs of communities of color.	Statewide	http://cpehn.org/
California Wellness Foundation	Statewide grant-making organization that addresses the particular health needs of traditionally underserved populations, including low-income individuals, people of color, youth and residents of rural areas.	Statewide	http://www.calwellness.org/
California Rural Legal Assistance	Statewide environmental justice and legal aid program that provides low-income rural Californians with free legal assistance.	Statewide	http://www.crla.org
Chinese American Citizen's Alliance	Statewide organization empowering Chinese Americans by promoting ethics and morals, practicing and defending American citizenship in its fullest rights and responsibilities, and by providing youth leadership and community learning through education.		http://www.cacanational.org/
HOPE Latinas	City of Los Angeles social justice organization focused on developing empowered Latinas.	Los Angeles County	http://www.latinas.org/
League of United Latin American Citizens	Nationwide organization advancing the economic condition, educational attainment, political influence, health, and civil rights of Hispanic Americans.	Nationwide	http://www.lulac.net/about/psear chcouncillsstate.asp?TxtBuscad o=CA&estado=California



Organization Name	Description	Jurisdiction	Website
Liberty Hill Foundation	Los Angeles based policy organization focused on organizational development for new and smaller social and environmental justice organizations.	Los Angeles County	https://www.libertyhill.org/
Los Angeles Community Action Network (LACAN)	County of Los Angeles based organization serves people living in poverty through creating opportunity, and empowering communities	Los Angeles County	http://cangress.org/
Mexican American Opportunity Foundation	Statewide social justice organization focused on the socio-economic betterment of the greater Latino community of California.	Statewide	http://www.maof.org/
Mexican American Political Association	Nationwide organization that promotes the interests of Mexican Americans, Mexicans, Latinos, Chicanos, Hispanics and Latino Economic Refugees in the United States.	Nationwide	Not Available
People's Community Organization for Reform and Empowerment (People's CORE)	City of Los Angeles social justice organization serving the Asian Pacific Islander and general community through grassroots community organizing.	Los Angeles County	http://peoplescore.net/
Policy Link	National research and action institute advancing economic and social equity by 'Lifting Up What Works'	Nationwide	http://www.policylink.org/
Rural Community Assistance Corporation (RCAC)	Statewide Organization providing training technical/financial resources and advocacy for rural communities.	Statewide	http://www.rcac.org/home
Strategic Concepts in Organizing and Policy Education (SCOPE)	City of Los Angeles social justice organization focused on grassroots organizing and leadership development to empower women, immigrants, and Black/African-American and Hispanic/Latino communities.	Los Angeles County	http://scopela.org/

3 ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE OUTREACH RECOMMENDATIONS

In locations where minority and low-income populations may be affected by the construction and operations activities associated with the Palmdale to Burbank Project Section, outreach activities will be conducted to understand community views on the project's impacts. The purpose of these outreach activities is to inform local community members of the project and its status; gather feedback on perceived project impacts; and provide opportunities by which minority and low-income communities can effectively take part in the planning process for the project.

Although this EJ Outreach Plan specifically targets the Palmdale to Burbank Project Section, the Outreach Team will coordinate closely with the Bakersfield to Palmdale Project Section in the north and the Burbank to Los Angeles Project Section in the south, in order to optimize EJ outreach efforts where the project sections overlap.



The Outreach Team has collected and analyzed demographic and income information to identify minority and low-income populations in the project area (Section 2). In addition, the Outreach Team has reviewed recent reports on how minority and low-income populations may access information. For example, according to the Pew Research Center, low-income and specific minority populations are more likely to be dependent on smart phones than on land lines⁵. Similarly, low-income populations are more likely to rely on smart phones over computers for Internet connectivity (Smith, Aaron). However, the Outreach Team will explore a variety of communication tools. Each of these considerations have been factored into the outreach recommendations.

In order to continue engagement of the EJ groups in the study area during the development of the environmental analysis phase, higher resolution demographics data will be evaluated to identify key minority and low-income populations. In addition, we will interview EJ advocacy and community groups in order to inform them of the outreach techniques used to engage these populations. The Outreach Team will document outreach activities as they occur for inclusion in the Draft EIR/EIS EJ chapter.

The minority and low-income populations will also be provided with updates on the entire statewide system, including key milestones and progress. Specific EJ tactics have been identified in Attachment B, which will support the overall outreach program efforts. This EJ outreach plan will also serve to open lines of communication to gather EJ population input and insights on project actions and impacts.

3.1 Outreach Strategy

The Authority is committed to implementing a comprehensive outreach program that reaches a broad array of interests throughout the project area. To that end, the Authority will develop an LEP Plan following the U.S. Department of Justice (USDOJ) guidance. As such, the Authority will follow the Department of Justice LEP guidance to confirm that information about the project is accessible to LEP persons within the project area.

The outreach strategy outlined below will be used to engage EJ stakeholders during the project development and environmental review processes. All outreach efforts will be conducted in close coordination with the Authority's Southern California Regional Director and the Authority's Offices of Communication and Legislation.

Following are the key strategic objectives of this EJ Outreach Plan:

- Identify and actively engage EJ advocacy and community groups and elected officials representing minority and low-income populations throughout the project area. Provide structured and unstructured opportunities for these groups and officials to provide input.
- Provide clear, concise and accurate information, in appropriate languages, regarding the Palmdale to Burbank Project Section and the development of all environmental documents.
- Develop and implement multiple avenues of communication methods for EJ stakeholders to receive project information and submit questions and comments (e.g., public meetings, group presentations, activity centers, project website, bilingual hotline, etc.).
- Facilitate constructive dialogue between key EJ stakeholders and the Authority.
 Communicate back to minority and low-income populations how feedback has been reflected in the process.
- Effectively communicate the vision, purpose and benefits of a high-speed rail system in California.

⁵ Smith, Aaron. "U.S. Smartphone Use in 2015." Pew Research Center Internet Science Tech RSS. Pew Research Center, 01 Apr. 2015. http://www.pewinternet.org/2015/04/01/us-smartphone-use-in-2015/



 Accurately document and respond to all public input received and meet all CEQA/NEPA requirements.

To achieve the above strategic objectives, the Authority will adhere to the following outreach best practices:

- Proactivity outreach to minority and low-income populations should happen "early and often" to identify and address EJ concerns as far in advance of potential impacts as possible.
- Inclusivity offer early and continuous opportunities for input on project advancements to as broad a spectrum of impacted or interested stakeholders as is feasible.
- Sensitivity be informed and aware of minority and low-income population sensitivities and historical experiences and relationships; consider these sensitivities in information sharing approaches and techniques.
- Consistency ensure all presentations, written/visual messaging, and informal conversations are presenting the same information.
- Accessibility ensure meeting times and locations are accessible to target audiences, prioritizing locations where minority and low-income populations frequent and feel most comfortable and times when they are available, and tailor outreach materials and distribution methods to maximize reach of target audience by offering translation services that meet or exceed LEP standards.
- Follow-Through follow up with stakeholder comments and concerns to the best extent feasible.

3.2 Outreach Activities

The following table, Table 5-A-1, outlines potential outreach activities the Authority could conduct to engage minority and low-income populations in the Palmdale to Burbank Project Section. Activities will be vetted before implementation by both Authority staff and coordinated with EJ advocacy and community groups to confirm that they will reach the intended audiences.



Table 5-A-1 Public Participation and Outreach Examples

Outreach	Target Audience	Outreach Activity	Intended Outcome	
Public Meetings	All HSR Stakeholders	Host periodic public meetings on the EIR/EIS process for the P-B Project Section	Disseminate key EIR/EIS updates and receive suggestions and feedback from the community	
Organizational Stakeholder Contact	Environmental/Social Justice Organizations	Connect with EJ advocacy and community groups to gauge their interest in scheduling meetings with the FRA/ Authority to offer project suggestions and inform stakeholder outreach processes	Establish a direct line of communication and a credible reputation with influential EJ advocacy and community groups who work in the study area; gather valuable local insights on EJ challenges	
Local Stakeholder Contact	Project area Stakeholders, Focused on Minority and Low- Income Populations	Provide HSR tables and booths at local fairs and community events; Set up "pop-up" exhibits and "community coffees" in target neighborhood/ EJ population areas	Directly engage members of minority and low-income populations in HSR conversations to share relevant information, answer questions, and listen to perspectives; establish a two-way line of HSR communication in affected communities	
Group Stakeholder Meetings	Multiple Stakeholder Agencies/ Organizations	Organize meetings with multiple project area advocacy and community groups and host collaborative, round-table discussions on HSR planning and key decisions	Gather and record topical HSR information as it pertains to minority and low-income populations to inform HSR processes	
Digital Engagement	Project area Stakeholders, Focused on Minority and Low- Income Populations	Provide opportunities to participate, learn and provide input via online and mobile options	Directly engage members of minority and low-income populations without requiring in-person participation or home/office Internet access	

¹Miniature open house, focused on information pertaining to targeted area ²Informal round-table type discussions with stakeholders in targeted area

Source: Federal Railroad Administration and the California High-Speed Rail Authority, 2016

3.3 Outreach Implementation

The following sections present a general implementation approach for the EJ Outreach Strategy. Section 3.3.1 describes specific events, or other relevant events, organized and hosted by the Authority in which minority and low-income populations and organizations are invited to participate, receive updates, and offer feedback. Section 3.3.2 describes an approach to scheduling outreach events at which an HSR outreach representative will share relevant information with a target minority and low-income population groups, and gather insights from event attendees, through a number of activities such as tabling at public events or presenting to



local organizations. Information gathered during these events will inform the HSR decision-making process.

Throughout the duration of the project, the Outreach Team will maintain ongoing review of targeted EJ populations, calendared events, outreach objectives and strategies by EJ population and events, and outreach tracking and metrics. Specific strategies and tactics are outlined in Attachment B. The ongoing development and implementation of the described tactics will be further informed by higher resolution demographics data as well as insights from EJ advocacy and community groups. Beneficial impacts to EJ populations will be recognized and evaluated in the EIR/EIS. As available and relevant, this information may be presented or shared with the public at any of the proposed meeting formats.

3.3.1 Public Meetings

The Outreach Team will schedule, coordinate and facilitate public meetings, open houses and environmental review milestone meetings. These meetings will specifically include EJ advocacy and community groups.

Meeting notifications will be distributed to the established list of EJ advocacy and community groups via email distribution and social media outlets. Advertisements will be placed in local non-English newspapers as determined by local demographics, and mail invitations will also be distributed.

In conjunction with the Authority, the Outreach Team will secure all venues and coordinate logistics for each public meeting to ensure key community locations are used and are easily accessible. Project fact sheets, welcome sheets, comment sheets and graphic displays will be developed and made available at every meeting.

All public meetings will be advertised and hosted per the requirements and best practices set forth by the Authority, including following Title VI and LEP requirements. These practices include offering translation services at public participation events. Translations of key documents such as comment cards and fact sheets will be provided for LEP individuals whose language represents a significant population percentage of the study area. LEP regulation requires translation services to be offered when five percent of the County or State population being served is an LEP language population. The Authority has and will continue to evaluate LEP needs at a finer population scale for local and regional events to adhere to or exceed LEP guidelines as is sufficient to meet local language needs. Specific HSR summary documents and fact sheets for the Palmdale to Burbank Project Section that have already been developed may be translated to meet local language needs. To the extent that these documents are up-to-date with Project advancements, they will continue to be made available to and advertised to minority and low-income populations. Additional materials will be developed and translated as deemed important to outreach efforts and necessary by the Authority.

At the conclusion of each public meeting, meeting notes summarizing public comments and feedback will be prepared and distributed internally within the Authority for use in further refining project details. The Outreach Team will also develop and maintain a calendar of public outreach meetings and document meeting details by producing public meeting summaries that concisely capture key take-away messages from the Authority, and the EJ stakeholders in attendance.

3.3.2 Environmental Justice Group Events and Meetings

In addition to coordinating Authority-hosted public meetings, the Outreach Team will identify on-the-ground outreach opportunities through which the Authority will increase their communication and engagement with minority and low-income populations. These outreach opportunities will be coordinated with Project Section milestones to share and gather timely and relevant information. The Outreach Team will develop and maintain a calendar of potential EJ events, and update the calendar periodically with upcoming events. The Outreach Team will send advance notification of outreach events to EJ advocacy and community groups to allow EJ stakeholders to schedule accordingly. An Authority outreach representative will attend each of the approved identified events to share with and receive relevant information from the target EJ audience using the most



relevant outreach strategy for the identified event (e.g., tabling at public events, presenting to local organizations, speaking on a webinar, etc.). The Outreach Team will provide information about the process in a format that EJ organizations and elected officials representing minority and low-income populations can use to easily distribute to their constituents, such as in-language constituent newsletters and community news items.

In addition to public outreach, the Outreach Team will coordinate with the Project's Cultural Resources Specialists to ensure that historic resources that might be associated with well-established ethnic or other groups are identified. Such properties have the potential to be eligible for the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) as Traditional Cultural Properties (TCP). TCPs are properties that can be defined generally as those that are eligible for inclusion in the NRHP because of their association with cultural practices or beliefs of a living community that are rooted in that community's history and are important in maintaining the continuing cultural identity of the community. "Traditional" in this context refers to those beliefs, customs, and practices of a living community of people that have been passed down through the generations, usually orally or through practice. The traditional cultural significance of a historic property, then, is derived from the role the property plays in a community's historically rooted beliefs, customs, and practices. Examples of properties possessing such significance include:

- A location associated with the traditional beliefs of a Native American group about its origins, its cultural history, or the nature of the world;
- A rural community whose organization, buildings and structures, or patterns of land use reflect the cultural traditions valued by its long-term residents;
- An urban neighborhood that is the traditional home of a particular cultural group, and that reflects its beliefs and practices;
- A location where Native American religious practitioners have historically gone, and are known or thought to go today, to perform ceremonial activities in accordance with traditional cultural rules of practice; and,
- A location where a community has traditionally carried out economic, artistic, or other cultural practices important in maintaining its historic identity.

Additionally, Impact Avoidance and Minimization Feature (IAMF) EJ-IAMF#1 will require the Authority to create an ombudsman position prior to final design to address the needs of adversely affected EJ communities (as identified in Table 5-24 and Section 5.5 of the Palmdale to Burbank Project Section Final EIR/EIS), Los Angeles Unified School District's (LAUSD) Broadus Elementary and Roscoe Elementary schools and, upon request, additional private and charter schools. The Authority' final design plans and contract documents shall include the creation of an EJ liaison to serve as a multilingual single point of contact for the EJ communities. The scope of the Authority's EJ ombudsman and Contractor's EJ liaison responsibilities and duties include those articulated in the other EJ-related IAMFs (please refer to Appendix 2-E, Impact Avoidance and Minimization Features, of the Palmdale to Burbank Project Section Final EIR/EIS). These responsibilities include: implementing programs (e.g., the Workforce Development Program, community air quality monitoring), holding community roundtables to obtain ideas for business spotlighting, developing appropriate aesthetic treatments, proposing potential intersection and/or safety improvements, and obtaining community-specific feedback on the following plans not typically reviewed by the general public:

- Construction Management Plan (SOCIO-IAMF#1)
- Relocation Mitigation Plan (SOCIO-IAMF#3)
- Construction Safety Transportation Management Plan (SS-IAMF#1)
- Safety and Security Management Plan (SS-IAMF#2)
- Transportation Construction Management Plan (TR-MM#12)



Operations Noise and Vibration Technical Memorandum (NV-IAMF#1)

During construction, the EJ liaison shall provide multilingual notices (e.g., online information, e-blasts, text messaging, voice messaging or mailers) that inform EJ communities of the Authority's hotline for reporting community concerns or complaints regarding construction noise and traffic effects and updates. These notices shall be provided two weeks in advance of each planned instance of vehicle, pedestrian, bicycle, transit access, and utility service disruption. Notices shall continue, at a minimum, until the EJ communities receive post-construction guidance with details of how to access and ride the HSR system.

The EJ liaison's report to the ombudsman shall include all concerns and complaints received from EJ communities and measures taken by the Authority or its Contractors to address those concerns and complaints. The Authority's construction Contractor shall implement all corrective actions communicated by the EJ ombudsman, or their EJ liaison, within a 24-hour period unless written authorization from the EJ ombudsman provides the Contractor with an alternate timeline. The EJ liaison shall also serve as the primary point of contact for LAUSD for schools with construction-related concerns within adversely affected EJ communities (as identified in Table 5-24 and Section 5.5 of the Final EIR/EIS).

Specifically, the EJ liaison will be bilingual in the most spoken Limited English Proficiency (LEP) language in the affected area. For other substantial LEP languages, the Authority shall ensure the point of contact has access to the Authority's contract interpretation services. Substantial shall be as defined in state LEP law (the Dymally Alatorre Bilingual Services Act). The Authority may also consider contracting with a community organization for substantial LEP communities to assist with outreach.

3.3.3 Digital Engagement

The Outreach Team will develop ways for stakeholders to learn about the project and provide input via smartphones, other mobile devices, and stationary communication devices such as computers. For example, using mobile polling at community events and public meetings or providing additional project information accessible via smartphones. As such, the Outreach Team will identify digital engagement opportunities which allow individuals to engage outside of work hours, do not require travel, and require an hour or less of participation. The Outreach Team will use social media and digital outreach to provide information through broader engagement opportunities. All potential digital engagement approaches will be closely coordinated with EJ advocacy and community groups to ensure effective engagement and to leverage increased participation.

3.3.4 Environmental Justice Organization and Stakeholder Working Groups Engagement

The Outreach Team will conduct regular Stakeholder Working Group (SWG) meetings throughout the project area over the course of the environmental review as a key venue for collaborative problem-solving and as a way to inform and shape the environmental process. The role of the SWG meeting(s) include providing members with feedback received from local communities and elected officials, as well as insight on a wide variety of key considerations related to the environmental review. In addition, SWG members are encouraged to provide insight into the best methods to reach and engage local groups as well as to share perceptions and feedback they themselves have received from their own broader constituencies. The Outreach Team will identify EJ organizations to participate in each SWG. In addition, the Outreach Team will conduct periodic check-ins with EJ groups and elected officials to seek advice and input on the outreach effort.

3.3.5 Deeper Reach Implementation

To guide and further update the existing EJ efforts, the Outreach Team has developed a Focused Alignment Outreach Plan (Attachment B). The plan takes into consideration the cultural, ethnic, and income diversity unique to each corridor city, the potential impacts, and outreach strategies to reach and engage the varying populations.



3.3.6 Deliverables

The implementation of the outreach strategy and outreach activities detailed above will lead to a series of deliverables identified below. These deliverables will be used to inform, among other items, project refinements, environmental mitigation plans, and future outreach activities:

- Environmental Justice Database a database tool that records organizational contacts and tracks outreach efforts over time, including participation of EJ organizations, elected officials and stakeholders in SWG meetings, Open Houses, environmental milestone meetings and other venues and forums.
- External Outreach Meeting Schedule a calendar of external outreach meetings or events at
 which an HSR outreach representative, either a consultant and an Authority staff member,
 will be present; this schedule will be reviewed and approved by Authority staff prior to
 implementation.



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Attachment A

Advocacy and Community Groups Serving Minority and Low-Income Communities



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Attachment A: Advocacy and Community Groups Serving Minority and Low-Income Communities

The following is a list of organizations that serve or constitute minority and/or low-income communities in the project study area. This list will be periodically updated to reflect organizational changes or additions.

Organization Name	Description	Geography	Point of Contact	Email	Phone
Acton Women's Club	A service club for women in Acton, CA.	Acton, CA	Debbie Gatling	president@actonwom ensclub.com	(661) 268-8365
Ahmanson Senior Citizen Center	Senior Center in Los Angeles, CA.	Los Angeles, CA	Amanda Buchan	AmandaBuchan@ad wc.org	(661) 347-8802
Canyon Coyotes 4-H Club	Instruction and training, youth organization & activities.	Acton/Agua Dulce, CA	Shirley Byrne	sweetwaterboers@ya hoo.com	(661) 714-0798
Acton-Agua Dulce Unified School District	School district for grades K-12.	Acton/Agua Dulce, CA	Brent Woodward	bwoodard@aadusd.k 12.ca.us	(661) 269-0750
Acton/Agua Dulce Trails Council	Trails Council in Acton / Agua Dulce.	Acton/Agua Dulce, CA	Al Huber		(661) 268-0725
City of Los Angeles Equine Advisory Committee	The purpose of the committee is to work with the City Departments to address equine issues in the city of LA.	Los Angeles, CA	Dale Gibson	dalegibson@laeac.us	(818) 951-4335
Foothill Trails District Neighborhood Council	Community organization linking city government & stakeholders in Lake View Terrace, La Tuna Canyon & Shadow Hills	Los Angeles, CA	Kevin Davis	president@ftdnc.org	(818) 353-2000
FTDNC CD7 Equestrian Committee	Equestrian Committee in Los Angeles	Los Angeles, CA	Donna Lauber	buffalo2620@gmail.c om	(818) 272-8147

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Organization Name	Description	Geography	Point of Contact	Email	Phone
Hansen Dam Park Advisory Board	Parks and Recreation: Hansen Dam Park Advisory Board	Los Angeles, CA	Terry Kaiser	hdconcerns@ca.rr.co m	(818) 262-0315
Kagel Canyon Civic Association	Civic Association in Kagel Canyon, adjacent to the study area.	Kagel Canyon, CA	Kelly Decker	kellyerindecker@aol. com	(818) 761-7713
Lake View Terrace Neighborhood Watch	Neighborhood Watch in the city of Lake View Terrace, adjacent to the study area.	Lake View Terrace, CA	Christopher Stanton	Stanton27@gmail.co m	(818) 400-9104
Pacoima Beautiful	Pacoima Beautiful is the only environmental justice organization in the Northeast San Fernando Valley striving for community improvement.	Pacoima, CA	Roxy Rivas	rrivas@pacoimabeau tiful.org	(818) 403-7973
Shadow Hills Equestrian Center	Equestrian Center in the city of Shadow Hills, adjacent to the study area.	Shadow Hills, CA	Johnny Higginson	johnthigginson@aol.c om	(818) 352-2166
Shadow Hills Property Owners Association (SHPOA)	Dedicated to preserving the rural community in Shadow Hills, CA	Shadow Hills, CA	Cindy Bloom	cbloom57@ca.rr.com	(818) 352-2320
Sunland Tujunga Historical Society	Located in the Bolton Hall Museum in Tujunga, CA.	Sunland, CA	Lloyd Hitt	landmhitt@cs.com	(818) 352-3420
Sunland-Tujunga Business Association; Voice of the Village	Newspaper that serves the Foothill Communities.	Sunland, CA	Sonia Tatulian	chewy1122@gmail.c om	(818) 384-9670
Sunland-Tujunga Neighborhood Council	Neighborhood council in Sunland-Tujunga, adjacent to the study area.	Sunland, CA	Cindy Cleghorn	cindycleghorn@me.c om	(818) 429-6699 Ext. 16
Theodore Payne Foundation for Wild Flowers and Native Plants	Mission to promote, restore and preserve California landscapes.	Sun Valley, CA	Kitty Connolly	kitty@theodorepayne .org	(818) 768-1802

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Mary Immaculate Catholic Church	Church in Pacoima.	Pacoima, CA	Ana Funes	parish-3690@la- archdiocese.org	(818) 554-4367
Guardian Angel Catholic Church	Church in Pacoima.	Pacoima, CA	Fr Steven Guitron	Not Available	(818) 899-2345
Pacoima Historical Society	Pacoima Historical Society collects and preserves photographs, literature, artifacts and oral histories that preserve the cultural history of Pacoima.	Pacoima, CA	Crystal Jackson	pacoima.historicalsoc iety@yahoo.com	(408) 435-3015
Pacoima Neighborhood Council	Neighborhood Council in Pacoima adjacent to the study area.	Pacoima, CA	Alex Morales	amorales@pacoiman c.com	Not Available
San Fernando Masonic Lodge No. 343	Masonic Lodge in San Fernando.	San Fernando, CA	Noel Alonzo	noel_alonzo2001@ya hoo.com	(818) 367-0258
Boys & Girls Club of San Fernando Valley	The Club provides youth (ages of 6-18) with a safe haven to participate in structured and stimulating activities outside of school hours.	Pacoima, CA	LeRoy Chase	Not Available	(818) 896-5261
The Burbank Community YMCA	Physical activity-focused organization focused on multiple benefits: health, community and opportunity	Burbank, CA	JC Holt, CEO	Not Available	(818) 845-8551
Walk Bike Burbank	Active transportation advocate	Burbank, CA	Patrick Dickson	walkbikeburbank@g mail.com	(818) 714-0622
Alianza de Los Pueblos del Rio Community	Alliance focused on encouraging local democratic participation in restoring the Los Angeles River. Alliance includes the Anahuak Youth Soccer Association, the Center for Law in Public Interest, Mujeres de la Tierra, Remapping-LA, and the William C. Velasquez Institute.	Los Angeles, CA	Irma Muñoz	irmamunoz@yahoo.c om	(323) 350-3306
Los Angeles City Housing Department	Identifies housing policy for the City of Los Angeles.	Los Angeles, CA	Helen Campbell	noirviolet@hotmail.co m	(562) 607-7341



Organization Name	Description	Geography	Point of Contact	Email	Phone
Alliance for a Better Community	Focused on increasing Latino participation in the development of a prosperous multi-ethnic community.	Los Angeles, CA	Not Available	Not Available	(213) 626-7151
Los Angeles County Bicycle Coalition	The Bicycle Coalition has several programs, such as City of Lights, which focus on underserved 'invisible' cyclists. The Bicycle Coalition has incubated the EJ-focused 'Communities for Multicultural Mobility' organization, also on this list.	Los Angeles, CA	Tamika Butler	Not Available	Not Available
Los Angeles County Bicycle Coalition	The Bicycle Coalition has several programs, such as City of Lights, which focus on underserved 'invisible' cyclists. The Bicycle Coalition has incubated the EJ-focused 'Communities for Multicultural Mobility' organization, also on this list.	Los Angeles, CA	Tamika Butler	Not Available	Not Available
Bienvenidos	Focused of foster care, community health, and social services.	Los Angeles, CA	Monica Waggoner	mwaggoner@bienve nidos.org	Not Available
Bus Riders Union	Advocating for lower-income population with regards to transit service.	Los Angeles, CA	Esperanza Martinez	esperanza@busrider sunion.org	Not Available
East Los Angeles Women's Center	Protecting women through offering sexual assault, domestic violence, and youth services.	Los Angeles, CA	Sandra Ibarra	Not Available	(323) 526-5819
First 5 LA	Focused on preparing young children for school and later stages of childhood development.	Los Angeles, CA	Sharon Woodson- Byant	swoodson@first5la.or g	(213) 482-7507
LA Conservation Corps	Nongovernmental organization focused on developing job skills while building community improvements.	Los Angeles, CA	Bruce Saito	bsaito@lacorps.org	Not Available
Los Angeles Department of Public Social Service	Social services agency focused agency.	Los Angeles, CA	Not Available	Not Available	(323) 260-3718



Organization Name	Description	Geography	Point of Contact	Email	Phone
MTA Citizens Advisory Committee	Local residents and transit riders providing feedback to the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority	Los Angeles, CA	Peter Schick	Not Available	(818) 980-6937
Mujeres de la Tierra	Engaging women and their children to take ownership and leadership of their neighborhood and community issues.	Los Angeles, CA	Irma Munoz	info@mujeresdelatier ra.org	(323) 350-3306
Multicultural Communities for Mobility	Central Los Angeles-based advocates for transportation services and policy that serves people with low incomes county-wide.	Los Angeles, CA	Jill Contreras	jill@multicultimobility. org	Not Available
Pilipino Workers Center	Environmental Justice	Los Angeles, CA	Lolita Iledo	lolita@pwcsc.org	(213) 250-4353
People for Parks	Focused on developing school parks that can also be used to serve the community.	Los Angeles, CA	Jack Foley	info@peopleforparks. org	(877) 776-9630
Asian Americans Advancing Justice	Promoting a fair and equitable society for all by working for civil and human rights and empowering Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders and other underserved communities.	Southern California	Stewart Kwoh	skwoh@advancingjus tice-la.org	(213) 977-7500
East Wind Foundation	Focused on serving youths of Southern California with experiences that promote cultural heritage, academic achievement, athletic enhancement, and community involvement.	Southern California	Okis Fong	Fongspower101@hot mail.com	Not Available
Haramokngna American Indian Cultural Center	Runs a visitor's center interpreting the histories of local Native-American tribes of Southern California	Southern California		contact@maramokng na.org	Not Available
Labor Council for Latin American Advancement	Helping workers secure rights and protections on the job.	Southern California	Rudy Montalvo	Not Available	(323) 627-5184
Southeast Asian Community Action (SEACA)	Empowering the Southeast Asian community.	Southern California	Sissy Trinh	sissy@seaca-la.org	(213) 628-8667



Organization Name	Description	Geography	Point of Contact	Email	Phone
A Community of Friends	Focused on ending homelessness through providing housing.	Southern California	Dora Leong Gallo	dgallo@acof.org	(213) 480-0809
Archstone Foundation	Preparing society in meeting the needs of an aging population	Nationwide	Jasmine	Jlacsamana@arcston e.org	Not Available
Salvation Army	Faith-based organization focused meeting human needs without discrimination.	Nationwide	Not Available	Not Available	(323) 263-7577
California Endowment Foundation	Statewide grant-making organization that promotes fundamental improvements in the health status of all Californians.	Statewide	Robert Ross	jweaver@calendow.o rg	(800) 449-4149
California Environmental Protection Agency, DTSC	State agency focused on protecting California residents from toxics.	Statewide	Andre Army	Aamy@dtsc.ca.gov	(818) 551-2830
California Native American Heritage Commission	Identify and protect Native American resources.	Statewide	Larry Myers	Not Available	(916) 653-4082
Chinese American Citizens Alliance	Focused on fighting discrimination and protecting Chinese American culture and heritage.	Statewide	Not Available	info@cacala.org	(213) 628-8015
Helmets to Hardhats	Focused on training returning veterans for jobs in the construction industry.	Statewide	Daniel Lozano	daniel@helmetstohar dhats.org	(619) 247-5509
Mercy Housing California	Program-enriched affordable housing provider.	Statewide	Mehe Heh	mhrisdon@mercyhou sing.org	(213) 743-5820
Homeboy Industries	Focus on helping young men and women extract themselves from involvement with street gangs.	Los Angeles County	Irma Muñoz	irmamunoz@yahoo.c om	(323) 350-3306
Los Angeles Neighborhood Land Trust/Communities Against Displacement	Focused on providing sustainable park space to densely populated urban areas.	Los Angeles County	Mark Lopez	jsalas@lanlt.org	(818) 770-5271



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Right to Breath Healthy	Air quality focused environmental organization	Los Angeles County	Kathy Ornstein	kathyannornstein@g mail.com	Not Available
EL ARCA	Provides services to the developmentally disabled population of Los Angeles	Los Angeles County	John Menchaca	Not Available	(323) 223-3079
Los Angeles County Department of Public Health	Health focused agency.	Los Angeles County	Jeffrey Guzenhaus er	jgunzenhauser@ph.l acounty.gov	Not Available
Los Angeles Gay and Lesbian Community Center	Focused on providing health and homelessness services to the Gay and Lesbian Community.	Los Angeles County	Lorri L. Jean	healthservices@laga ycenter.org	Not Available
Managed Career Solutions Inc.	Supports individuals on their path to finding employment and attaining economic self-sufficiency.	Los Angeles County	Joan Samuels	jsamuels@mcsrehab. com	(310) 405-5931
National Association of Minority Contractors	Trade association of minority-owned construction contractors focused on developing business opportunities for disadvantaged contractors.	Los Angeles County	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available
Sierra Club, Los Angeles Chapter	Group within the Sierra Club focused on advancing organizational goals through reducing the impact of transportation.	Los Angeles County	Jared Wright	wrightconcept@gmail .com	(213) 387-4287
Youth Empowerment Network	Community Center.	Los Angeles County	Omar De la Riva	Omar.delariva@kidw orksonline.org	Not Available
YWCA	YWCA is focused on empowering women and eliminating racism. They offer a variety of services from housing to workforce development to senior services.	Los Angeles County	Jasmine Briseno	Not Available	(323) 415-6057
Public Health Alliance of Southern California	Association of public health agencies and organizations.	Southern California	Tracy Delaney	Tdelaney@phi.org	Not Available
The Trust for Public Land	Nationwide non-profit organization with a special focus on urban parks in Southern California.	Southern California	Tori Kjer	Tori.kjer@tpl.org	(323) 223-0441 Ext. 11



Organization Name	Description	Geography	Point of Contact	Email	Phone
Special Services for Groups	Building and sustaining community-based programs that address the needs of vulnerable communities.	Statewide	John Eckmen	Not Available	(213) 553-1800
Sun Valley Area Neighborhood Council	Neighborhood council in Sun Valley adjacent to study area.	Sun Valley, CA	Mike O'Gara	mike.ogara@svanc.o rg	(818) 767-8262
Bethel Christian Reformed Church	Church located in Sun Valley adjacent to the study area.	Sun Valley, CA	Micah Bruxvoort	bethelsunvalley@gm ail.com	(818) 767-4488
Sun Valley Youth Arts Center/Stone House	Sun Valley Youth Arts Center provides quality visual and performing arts programming to the community of Sun Valley and schools in the greater Los Angeles area.	Sun Valley, CA	Jesus Rangel	jesus.rangel@lacity.o rg	(818) 252-4619
Sol del Valle Community Center	Community Center in Sun Valley adjacent to the study area.	Sun Valley, CA	Not Available	administration@sdvc center.org	(818) 767-1650
Burbank Masonic Lodge No. 406	Masonic Lodge in Burbank adjacent to the study area.	Burbank, CA	Thomas Quiroz	Not Available	(818) 848-3750
Boys & Girls Club of Burbank & Greater East Valley	The Club provides youth (ages of 6-18) with a safe haven to participate in structured and stimulating activities outside of school hours.	Burbank, CA	Shanna Warren	shannawarrenbgc@a ol.com	(818) 842-9333
Burbank Temporary Aid Center	BTAC is dedicated to providing the poor, working poor, and homeless of the local community with basic services they need to live with dignity, and to serve citizens of the city in times of emergency and disaster.	Burbank, CA	Edward Stapleton	estapleton@theBTAC .org	(818) 848-2822
Burbank Community Association	Community Association in Burbank adjacent to the study area.	Burbank, CA	Jane Power	chair@burbankcomm unityassn.com	(408) 904-7496
Burbank Unified School District	School District in Burbank adjacent to the study area.	Burbank, CA	Not Available	Not Available	(818) 729-4400
Antelope Valley Boys & Girls	Boys & Girls Club in Palmdale adjacent to the study area.	Palmdale, CA	Jay Duke	Not Available	(661) 951-1013



Organization Name	Description	Geography	Point of Contact	Email	Phone
West Antelope Valley Historical Society	Historical Society in Antelope Valley adjacent to the study area.	Palmdale, CA	Peggy Fuller	Not Available	Not Available
Palmdale Neighborhood Houses	The Neighborhood House program provides opportunities for residents to participate in programs in their own neighborhood.	Palmdale, CA	Not Available	Not Available	(661) 267-5126
Chimbole Cultural Center	Recreation center in Palmdale adjacent to the study area.	Palmdale, CA	Issac Beas	ibeas@cityofpalmdal e.org	(661) 267-5656



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Attachment B

Focused Alignment Outreach Plan Strategy



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Attachment B: Focused Alignment Outreach Plan Strategy

As part of the Outreach Program, the following strategies have been identified based on the ROW alignment identified to date. This includes recommended tactics city-by-city, and neighborhood-by-neighborhood that should be targeted during fall and winter 2016 but before the next round of public meetings. Exact information to be shared and the level of detail will be confirmed with the project team. Additionally, due to updated alignment information, the target areas and subsequent plan may change and will be updated accordingly.

Acton/Agua Dulce

Recommended Outreach tactics:

- Conduct residential briefing
 - o Invitees would include:
 - Track homes (McEnnery Canyon Road & Desert Road)
 - Homes (Crown Valley Road & Sourdough Road)
 - Homes (Hubbard Road)
 - Notify through "door-to-door" notices
 - Host as pop-up at Acton Agua Dulce Library (Crown Valley Road)
- Conduct business briefing
 - Invite a representative from each business (Intersection of Sierra Hwy & Crown Valley Road)
 - Host at Library or High Desert School
 - Notify through "door-to-door" notices
- Engage Neighborhood City Council Meetings
 - Acton Town Council
 - Agua Dulce Town Council
 - Notify through informational emails and phone calls.
- Conduct School District briefings
 - Invite key members of the school district
 - Host at Acton Agua Dulce Unified School District Conference Room or Acton High Desert School
 - Notify with door drop notices, coordinate with school district to send out notices

Burbank

Recommended outreach tactics:

- Conduct residential briefing
 - o Invitees would include:
 - Pacific Avenue, Monterey Avenue, Beachwood Drive & neighboring complexes
 - Apartment residents southwest of Empire and Buena Vista
 - Host at Monterey High School
- · Conduct business briefing
 - Invite key business representatives
 - Main focus on business area nearby Olive & Flower Street
 - Host at Holiday Inn Burbank Media Center conference room, or Olive Recreation Center
 - Engage Neighborhood City Council Meetings
 - Invitees would include:



- Burbank City Council
- Host in Burbank City Council Conference Room or Olive Recreation Center
- Notify with information emails and phone calls
- Conduct School District briefings
 - Invitees would include:
 - Burbank Unified School District
 - Host at school district conference room
 - Coordinate with district to notify schools, drop off notices
- Possible LEP interpreter services to be offered:
 - Spanish
 - Vietnamese
 - o Chinese
 - Japanese
 - Korean
 - Tagalog

Lake View Terrace

Recommended Outreach tactics:

- Conduct residential briefing
 - o Invitees would include:
 - Track homes (Prager Ave)
 - Homes (Kagel Canyon St)
 - Homes (Fenton Ave)
 - Notify through "door-to-door" notices
 - Host as pop-up at Lake View Terrace Branch Library
 - Conduct business briefing
 - Invite a representative from each business (Host at Library)
 - Notify through "door-to-door" notices
 - Engage Neighborhood City Council Meetings
 - o Foothill Trails District Neighborhood Council
 - Notify through informational emails and phone calls.
 - Conduct School District briefings
 - o Invite key members of the school district
 - Host at Lake View Terrace Branch Library

Palmdale

Recommended Outreach tactics:

- Conduct residential briefing
 - o Invitees would include:
 - Members of neighborhoods west of 6th street between East Ave Q and Palmdale Blvd
 - o Host at R. Rex Parris High School
 - Notify through "door-to-door" notices
- Conduct business briefing
 - o Invitees would include:
 - Businesses on the direct East and West sides of 6th Street E between Avenue R and East Ave Q



- Can also invite property developers from surrounding vacant lots
- Host pop-up in area
- Notify through "door-to-door" notification
- Engage Neighborhood City Council Meetings
 - o Invitees would include:
 - City of Palmdale City Council
 - Host in Palmdale City Hall
 - o Notify with informational calls and emails
- Mobile Home Briefing
 - Invitees would include:
 - Residents & HOA of mobile homes south of E Avenue S
 - Host at mobile home community center
 - o Coordinate with mobile home HOA/admin to notify residents and staff
- School District Briefing
 - o Invitees would include:
 - Palmdale School District
- Host at Palmdale School District conference room
- o Coordinate with school district to notify Palmdale school
- Possible LEP interpreter services to be offered:
 - Spanish
 - Tagalog
 - o Arabic
 - Armenian
- Homeless Services working through city or local organizations for outreach efforts

Santa Clarita

Recommended Outreach tactics:

- Conduct residential briefing
 - o Invitees would include:
 - Residents in the neighborhoods east of Nixon Canyon Road and Iron Canyon Road
 - Can also invite residents in surrounding neighborhoods west of Nixon Canyon Road
 - Pop-Up location in neighborhood
 - Notify through "door-to-door" notices
 - Conduct business briefing
 - Invitees would include:
 - Select businesses between east of Sand Canyon Road and west of Nixon Canyon Road
 - o Coordinate to host at Robinson Ranch Golf Clubhouse on Robinson Ranch Road
 - Notify with door drop notices
 - Engage Neighborhood City Council Meetings
 - Invitees would include:
 - City of Santa Clarita City Council
 - Any target neighborhood HOA officials
 - Notify with emails and phone calls to City Council offices
 - School District Briefing
 - Invitees would include:
 - Sulpher Spring School District



- Saugus School District
- Host pop-up briefing at Canyon Springs Elementary
- Coordinate with school district to send out notices

San Fernando / Sun Valley / Pacoima

Recommended Outreach tactics:

- Conduct residential briefings
 - Residential briefing 1
 - Invitees would include:
 - Residents north of Van Nuys Blvd and Borden Ave
 - Apartment complexes south of Van Nuys Blvd and Borden Ave
 - Host at Hubert H. Humphrey Memorial Recreation Center
 - Notify through "door-to-door" notices
 - Residential briefing 2
 - Invitees would include:
 - Residents west of Stonehurst Ave to Wicks Street
 - Residents north of Wicks Street and Clybourn Ave
 - Apartment residents west of Sunland Blvd and Nettleton Street
 - Host at Stonehurst Ave Elementary School
 - Notify through "door-to-door" notices
 - Conduct business briefings
 - Business Briefing 1
 - Invitees would include:
 - Businesses east of San Fernando Road and north of Branford Street
 - Host at San Fernando Regional Pool Facility
 - Note: We understand that impacted communities may shift as the alignments continue to be revised. Thus, this meeting may need to be held in another location.
 - Notify through "door-to-door" notices
 - o Business Briefing 2
 - Invitees would include:
 - Businesses to the west of Sunland Blvd and North of Fleetwood Street until Peoria Street
 - Host at Sun Valley Public Library
 - Notify through "door-to-door" notices
 - Engage Neighborhood City Council Meetings
 - o Invitees would include:
 - San Fernando City Council
 - Pacoima Neighborhood Council
 - Sun Valley Area Neighborhood Council (SVANC)
 - Host at Pacoima City Hall conference room
 - Mobile Home Briefing
 - o Invitees would include:
 - Residents & HOA of Shelter Isle Mobile Estates north of De Foe Ave and Terra Bella Street
 - Mobile Home Residents south of Paxton Street



- Host at Charles Maclay Middle School or Mobile Home Community Center
- Coordinate with HOA/Mobile Home Admin to notify residents
- School District Briefing
 - Invitees would include:
 - LASUD School District
 - Pacoima Charter School
 - We will coordinate with the Burbank to Los Angeles and Los Angeles to Anaheim Project Sections for LAUSD briefings, as their areas impact more LAUSD schools
 - Possible LEP interpreter services to be offered:
 - Spanish
 - Thai
 - Korean
 - Homeless Services working through city or local organizations for outreach efforts



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Attachment C

Schools Requiring Environmental Justice Outreach



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Attachment C: Palmdale to Burbank Project Section: Schools Requiring Environmental Justice Outreach.

As part of the Authority's EJ Outreach Plan, the team also looked at the alignment and identified schools, including K-12 and Universities that would benefit from targeted efforts and build project awareness. Specific criteria were used to determine the need for outreach tactics as it relates to the High-Speed Rail project.

The Authority considered the following criteria:

- ROW impacts: assessed whether the school was likely to experience a potential ROW impact or construction related impact.
- 2. Proximity to alignment: schools which were closest to the corridor were identified. Schools that either experience a potential ROW impact, a construction impact, and are within 1,000 feet of the project section are considered 'Priority 1'. This first group will be the immediate focus as part of the implementation efforts between now and the next round of public meetings (early 2017). 'Priority 2' schools do not experience a potential ROW or construction impact and are more than 500 feet from the project section but do meet some EJ criteria. These will be further evaluated to consider for future EJ efforts as the project progresses.
- 3. EJ indicators: evaluated several EJ factors, including 'minority' population, low income population, LEP, and whether the school was private or public.

For the P-B Project Section, there are eight Priority 1 schools and 20 Priority 2 schools. The eight priority 1 schools are listed below. All Priority 1 schools in the P-B Project Section meet the criteria identified above:

Palmdale to Burbank Project Section: Schools Requiring Environmental Justice Outreach				
R. Rex Parris High School	Palmdale			
AERO Institute (High School)	Palmdale			
Bright Horizons Preschool	Acton			
Hillery T. Broadous Elementary School	Pacoima			
Monterey High School	Burbank			
George Washington Elementary School	Burbank			
PUC Charter School	Burbank			
High Trucking School	Burbank			



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