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The Honorable Jim DeMartini Supervisor, District 5 County of Stanislaus 1010 10th Street, Suite 6500 Modesto, CA 95354

Notice of Availability for San Joaquin Corridor Program Draft Environmental Impact Report

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) is pleased to provide you with the Draft Program Environmental Impact Report (PEIR) for the San Joaquin Corridor Program (future Amtrak passenger operations). Electronic files of this environmental document are also available online at www.dot.ca.gov/dist7/envdocs.htm. Six meetings to accept public input on the PEIR will be held at six locations along the San Joaquin Corridor Amtrak alignment from Oakland and Sacramento to Los Angeles. These meetings will take place at the following dates and locations:

Tuesday, April 29, 2014 5:30-7:30 PM Fresno City Hall 2600 Fresno Street Fresno, CA 93721

Wednesday, April 30, 2014 5:30-7:30 PM Kern Council of Governments 1402 19th Street, Suite 300 Bakersfield, CA 93301

Tuesday, May 6, 2014 5:30-7:30 PMRAFC – Metropolitan Transportation
Commission
101 8th Street, 3rd Floor
Oakland, CA 94607

Wednesday, May 7, 2014 5:30-7:30 PM Hyatt Regency Sacramento 1209 L Street Sacramento, CA 95814

Thursday, May 8, 2014 5:30-7:30 PM University Plaza Waterfront 110 W. Fremont Street Stockton, CA 95202

Tuesday, May 13, 2014 5:30-7:30 PM Caltrans District 7 100 South Main Street, Room1.040-A Los Angeles, CA 90012 April 16, 2014 Page 2

The Program proposes to increase the number of passenger train operations within the San Joaquin Corridor from 12 to 22 trains per day; increase Amtrak train speed from 79 miles per hour (mph) to 90 mph; and install the requisite track infrastructure to support these operations. The objective is to provide adequate public transportation over this corridor to meet a forecast increase in passengers from 1.2 million per year to 3.2 million per year in 2035.

The PEIR is available for public review during a 45-day period. Enclosed is a copy of the Draft PEIR for your review. Please submit any written comments no later than May 30, 2014 to:

Caltrans, District 7
Ms. Dawn Kukla, Senior Environmental Planner
Division of Environmental Planning
100 S. Main Street MS 16A
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For additional information, please contact Dawn Kukla at (213) 897-3643. Thank you for your interest in this transportation improvement project.

Sincerely,

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District Director

Enclosure

ATTACHMENTS AVAILABLE FROM CLERK