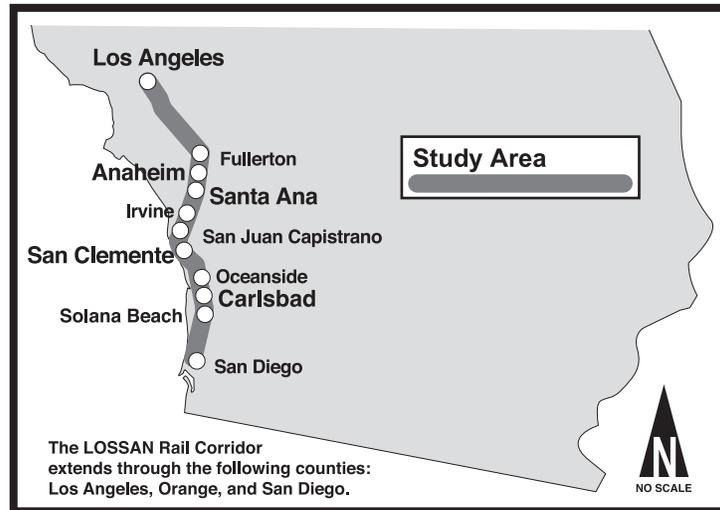




# PUBLIC NOTICE



## Notice of Public Hearing and Informational Meeting for the Los Angeles-to-San Diego Proposed Rail Corridor Improvements Studies



### WHAT'S BEING PLANNED?

A Draft Program Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement (Draft PEIR/PEIS) for the Los Angeles to San Diego (LOSSAN) Proposed Rail Corridor Improvement Studies has been released for public circulation and comment. This program level document describes the proposed costs, benefits, and environmental impacts of improving the LOSSAN rail corridor in Los Angeles, Orange, and San Diego Counties over the next 20 years to help meet the increasing travel demand between and within these metropolitan areas.

This Draft PEIR/PEIS is the culmination of a study conducted over the past three years by the California Department of Transportation (Department) and the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) who have been cooperatively studying a series of improvements to the Los Angeles to San Diego (LOSSAN) rail corridor, used by Amtrak, Metrolink, Coaster and the Burlington Northern and Santa Fe Railway.

The Public Hearing will be your formal opportunity to review the Draft PEIR/PEIS and to provide written comments on the document. Comments received throughout the 60-day Public Comment Period (August 27 through October 25, 2004) will be considered in the preparation of the Final PEIR/PEIS.

### YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND ANY ONE OF THE FOLLOWING PUBLIC HEARINGS

- City of San Diego September 27, 2004 from 3 - 7 p.m. SANDAG, 401 B Street, Suite 800
- City of Los Angeles September 28, 2004 from 3 - 7 p.m. MTA, One Gateway Plaza (Room TBA)
- City of Anaheim September 29, 2004 from 3 - 7 p.m. City Hall West, 201 S. Anaheim Blvd, 2nd Floor

### ABOUT THE INFORMATIONAL MEETINGS:

Additionally, three informational meetings will be held in cities throughout the corridor. The purpose of these meetings is to provide an additional opportunity for area residents, public officials and business owners to review the Draft PEIR/PEIS.

Both the Public Hearings and the Informational Meetings will be conducted in an "Open House" format - as no formal presentation will be made, your attendance and participation anytime during the workshop is welcomed.

- City of Santa Fe Springs September 13, 2004 from 6 - 8 p.m. City Hall, 11710 East Telegraph Road
- City of Encinitas September 14, 2004 from 6 - 8 p.m. Community Center, 1140 Oakcrest Park Drive
- City of Dana Point September 16, 2004 from 6 - 8 p.m. Community Center, 34052 Del Obispo Road

### EXAMPLES OF INFORMATION PROVIDED:

The Purpose and Need for the Proposed Rail Corridor Improvement Studies, the Alternatives studied (No Project and Rail Improvements Alternative), the Affected Environment, Environmental Consequences, and Mitigation Strategies, and information on Costs and Operations.

### CONTACT INFORMATION:

If you need special accommodations (American sign or foreign language interpreter, accessible seating, and documents in alternative formats), please contact the Caltrans District 11 Public Information Office, (619) 688-6670, at least 3 days before the meeting. TDD users may contact the California Relay Service TDD Line at 1-800-735-2929 or Voice Line at 1-800-735-2922.

Questions? Call California Department of Transportation: Arturo Jacobo (Project Manager), (619) 688-6816, Division of Rail: Pat Merrill, (916) 654-7543, Federal Rail Administration: David Valenstein, (202) 493-6368. The Draft PEIR/PEIS is available for viewing and downloading at [www.amtrakcalifornia.com](http://www.amtrakcalifornia.com). Comments can be provided via the website, which also lists locations of repository libraries where the Draft PEIR/PEIS can be viewed.