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North Valley Passenger Rail Strategic Plan

Project Development Team Meeting #2 Thursday, December 15, 2022

Agenda

- 1) Introductions
- 2) Project Update and Schedule (Chris Devine/Jon Clark, BCAG)
- 3) Update on Initial Planning Development (Daniel Krause and Daniel Hartman, AECOM)
 - a. Caltrans Network Operations Modeling Results
 - b. UPRR Analysis Update
 - c. Chico Station Facility Evaluation Update
 - d. Sacramento Valley Station Facility Evaluation Update
 - e. Ridership Analysis Update
- 4) Overview of Public Outreach Process and Schedule (Gladys Cornell, AIM Consulting)
- 5) Next Steps/Next PDT Meeting (Chris Devine/Jon Clark, BCAG)

Project and Schedule Update

Progress To-Date

- Determined preferred alignment
- Determined station locations (note: exact site for station in Chico still being evaluated)
- Conducted rail networks modeling with Caltrans
- Initiated regular coordination with Union Pacific
- Conducted service planning and produced initial service timetable
- Extensive stakeholder outreach effort



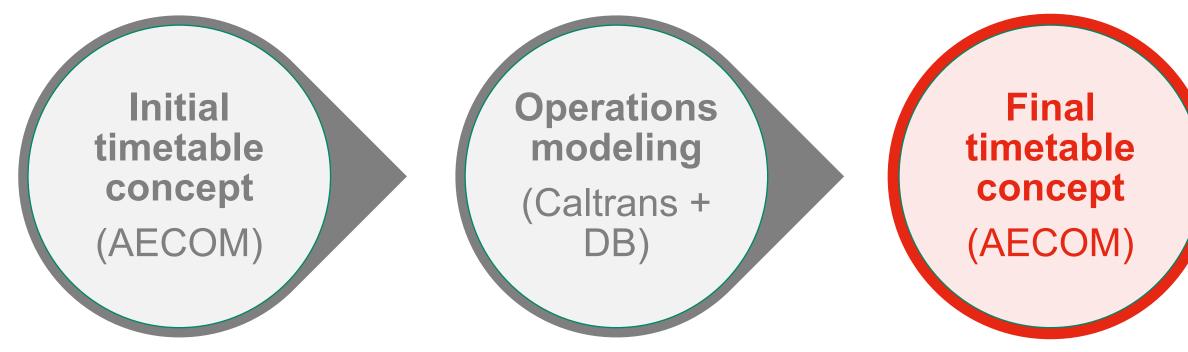
Current Work

- Evaluate station options in Chico
- Ridership
- Planning for a possible connection to Sacramento Valley Station
- Develop marketing materials
- Continuation of stakeholder outreach effort
- Initial planning for engagement with the general public

NORTH VALLEY PASSENGER RAIL STRATEGIC PLAN	FY2021/22						FY2022/23									FY2023/24							
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1 Project Initiation and Management																							
Project Kick-off Meeting																							
PMT Meetings (monthly except during RTC modeling)																							
PDT Meetings (approx. quarterly)												10											
2 Public Outreach												2.0											
Other Stakeholder Outreach	_																						
Public Participation Process																							
Virtual Public Meetings															~ 8 wks		•	~ 8 wks					
Pop-Up Events (On-site in Disadvantaged Communities)															~ 8 wks			~ 8 wks					
Project Updates for BCAG website (as needed)														-	C THU			0 1110					
Online Survey													~8	wks									
3 Strategic Plan Development																							
Initial Planning																							
Initial Service and Operations Planning		0		~ 10 wks	s (Feb 23	Internal	Planning	Worksh	op)														
Rail Network Operations Modeling																							
Caltrans (Runs Inputs Through Modeling Tools)						~ 16	5 wks																
AECOM (Analysis of Outputs/Update Operating Assumptions)									~ 2 v	wks													
Chico Station Option Analysis											~ 18 w	ks											
Potential Sacramento Valley Station Access Analysis												~ 16	wks										
Freight Capacity Analysis																							
Union Pacific (Rail Corridor Capacity Analysis)											~ '	10 wks	NO	TE: This	timeline k	s depen	dent on U	nion Pac	ific.				
AECOM (Analysis of Union Pacific Outputs)														~ 2 wks									
Development of Conceptual Plans of Improvements													~81	wks									
Operating and Capital Improvements and Costs															6 wks								
Select Final Conceptual Timetable and Preferred Station Locations															~	6 wks							
Detailed Planning																							
Ridership Forecasts										~ 16	i wks												
Fare Structure and Pricing Plan												~ 12	wks										
Revenue Forecasts														~ 8 wks									
Station Visualizations														~ 12 wk									
Funding and Financing Plan															~ 12 wks								
Project Description															~ 12 wks								
4 Draft and Final Strategic Plan																							
Draft Document																		~ 12	wks				
Final Document																					~ 8 v	/K6	
5 BCAG Board of Directors Review/Approval																					_		_
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Caltrans Network Operations Modeling Results

Caltrans Modeling and Timetable Refinement



- HSR connections at Merced
- Lathrop to Ceres / Merced Extension
- Sacramento Extension (Natomas)
- San Joaquins increased service (12 roundtrips/day)

- Isolated analysis in Viriato for North Valley trains only
- Simulate actual running times based on train performance, topography, etc.
- Expand and adjust modeling results to reflect systemwide operations (service south of Natomas)
- Finalize siding improvement locations

Caltrans Network Operations Modeling Results

Conceptual Service Plan/Timetable for Four (4) Daily Round-Trips

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Caltrans Network Operations Modeling Results

Conceptual Service Plan Timetable – Potential Initial Service for Two (2) Daily Round-Trips

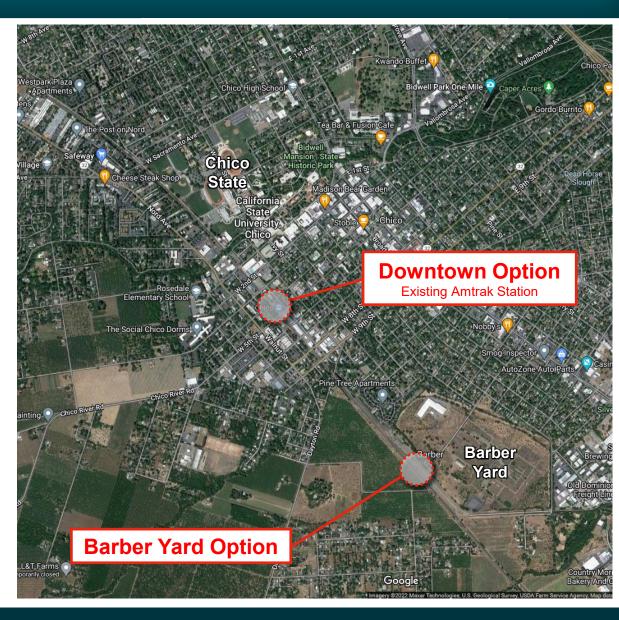
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UPRR Analysis Update

- Previously project envision having UP conduct Rail Traffic Control (RTC) railroad simulation modeling, but this has evolved into a series of coordination meetings to get feedback on the project as it evolves. RTC will take place in future phases of the project development.
- Provided project assumptions and results of the Caltrans's rail network modeling results.
- Prepared a preliminary evaluation of potential track improvements provided to UPRR for initial feedback

Purpose

- Evaluate 2 potential Chico station options
 - Downtown/existing Amtrak station site
 - Barber Yard site
- Produce initial station/layover configurations



Evaluation Criteria

Торіс	Option '	I (Existing Dow	ntown Station)	Option 2 (Barber Yard)				
i ohic	Pros	Cons	Overall rating	Pros	Cons	Overall rating		
Infrastructure complexity and costs								
Key infrastructure requirements	•	•		•	•			
Order-of-magnitude cost	•	•		•	•			
Station access	•			·		•		
Transit access	•	•		•	•			
Walk / bike access	•	•		•	•			
Automobile access	•	•		•	•			
Parking	•	•		•	•			
Operational considerations								
Operational flexibility	•	•		•	•			
Station facilities	•	•		•	•			
Layover facility	•	•		•	•			
Land use				_				
Land use conflicts	•	•		•	•			
TOD and revitalization potential	•	•		•	•			
Equity				·		•		
Impacts to burdened communities	•	•		•	•			
Benefits to equity	•	•		•	•			
Community impacts								
Traffic	•	•		•	•			
Noise	•	•		•	•			
Public safety / security (e.g., loitering, crime)	•	•		•	•			
Road closures	•	•		•	•			
Community opposition	•	•		•	•			

Downtown/Existing Station Site – Station Configuration (Option 1)

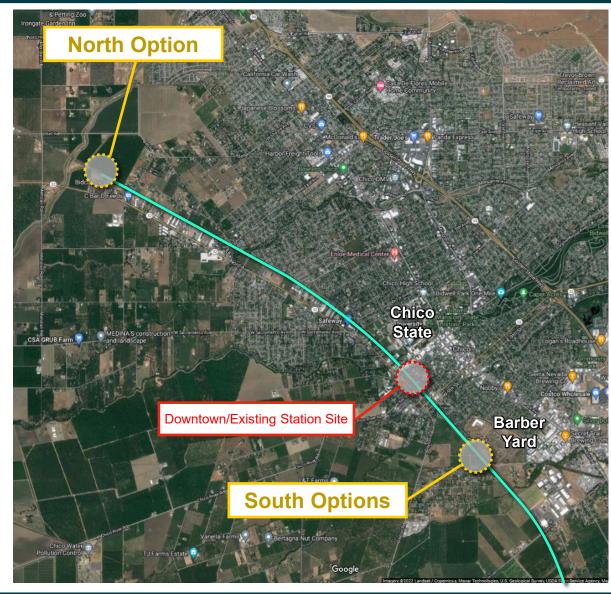


Downtown/Existing Station Site – Station Configuration (Option 2)



Downtown/Existing Amtrak Station Site: Possible Layover Facility Sites

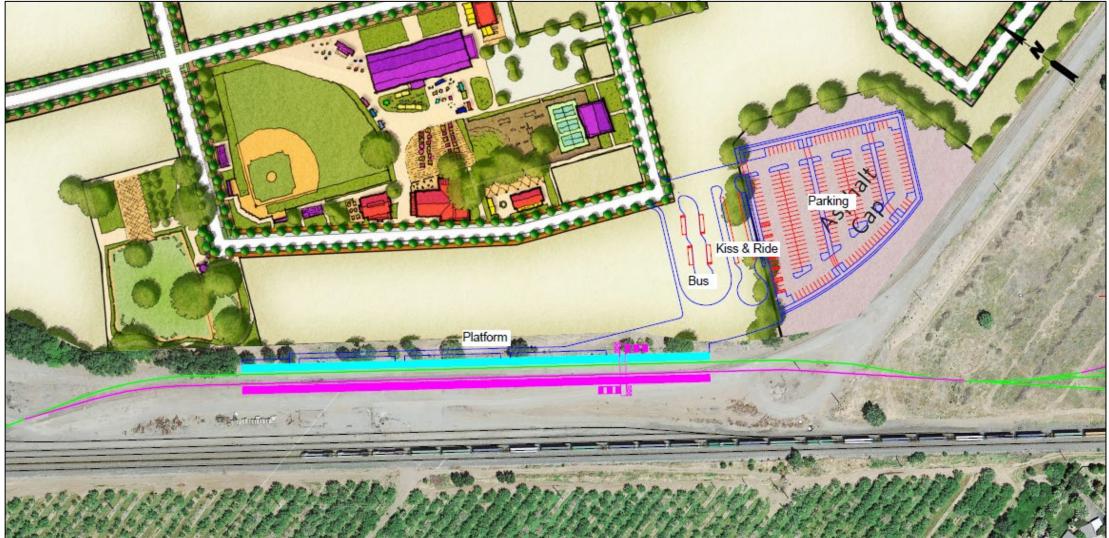
- Options for layover facility sites
 - North of the station (approximately 4 miles to the north)
 - South of station in vicinity of Barber Yard (short distance but requires back tracking, which could require expensive improvements)



Barber Yard Site – Station and Layover Facility Configuration (Option 1)



Barber Yard Site – Station and Layover Facility – Close-Up of Station (Option 1)



Barber Yard Site – Station and Layover Facility Configuration (Option 2)



Barber Yard Site – Station and Layover Facility – Close-Up of Station (Option 2)



Barber Yard Site – Station and Layover Facility Configuration (Option 3)



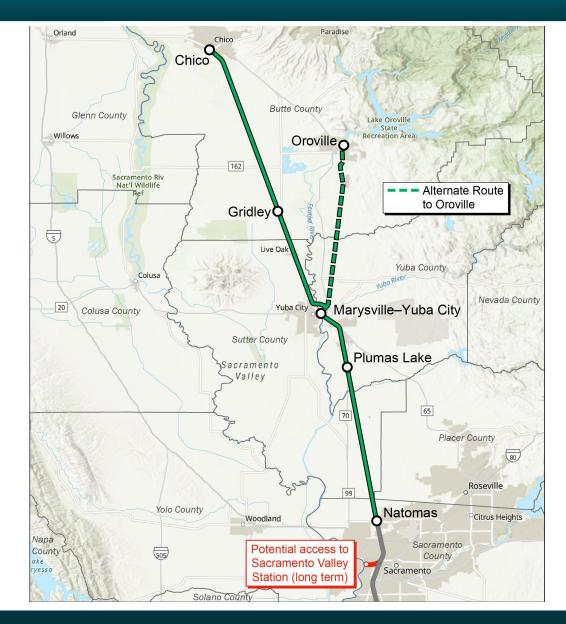
Barber Yard Site – Station and Layover Facility – Close-Up of Station (Option 3)



Sacramento Valley Station Facility Evaluation Update

Initial Work Underway and Includes:

- This potential improvement would be for the long-term
- Began evaluation of track improvements needed between the Sacramento Valley Station and the Sacramento Subdivision.
- Anticipate 1 additional mainline track (triple track)
- Beginning evaluation of operations within the Sacramento Valley Station, including identification of location for layover space for North Valley Rail trains



Ridership Analysis Update

Work Underway and Includes:

- Coding of the model complete, including new North Valley Rail station and timetable for 4 daily round trips
- Model run to be conducted shortly
- Draft ridership results targeted to be completed this month

Planned Activities for Outreach

- 2 Virtual public meetings Target dates of February 2023 and May 2023
- 2 Pop-up events on-site in disadvantaged communities Timing of these events is currently being determined
- Multi-lingual online community survey

Project Information

- Project webpage
- Project fact sheet

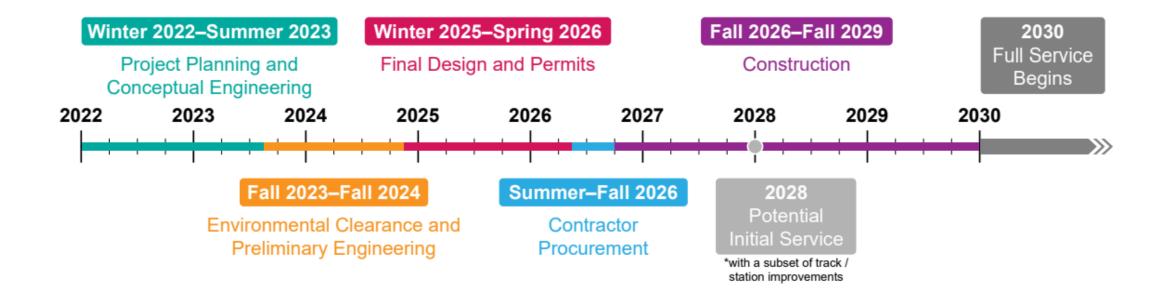
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Upcoming Project Work and Project Development Activities

- Conduct public outreach process
- Complete detailed planning and conceptual design work for the project
- Begin in earnest funding efforts for future phases of the project development process.

Next Steps

Project Development Timeline



Next Steps

Next PDT Meeting

 Targeting a date for the Project Development Team (PDT) Meeting #3 in late March/early April