

San Joaquin Valley Rail Corridor Strategic Business Plan

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STRATEGIC BUSINESS PLAN BEING DEVELOPED FOR SANJOAQUIN VALLEY RAIL CORRIDOR

(Stockton, CA)—Members of the public are invited to a public workshop to assist in the development of a Strategic Business Plan for the *San Joaquin* Rail Corridor. The workshop will be held on Saturday, December 9, 2006, from 10:00am to 11:30am, at the Altamont Commuter Express (ACE) Train Station, 949 East Channel Street, Stockton. A presentation will be made at 10:00am. Coffee, tea and pastries will be served. Maps and other exhibits will be available for public review and discussion.

This workshop will follow the ACE Passenger Advisory Council (ACEPac) meeting, which begins at 9:00am.

The meeting is being sponsored by the San Joaquin Valley Rail Committee (SJVRC), California Department of Transportation Division of Rail, and San Joaquin Regional Rail Commission. When completed, the plan will chart the course for future development of the San Joaquin Valley Rail Corridor, based on input during the public outreach process.

According to the California Department of Finance, the Central Valley's population will grow from 3.5 million to 9 million by 2046. This growth will have a profound effect on public mobility. How will we cope?

The goals for the corridor could include improved on-time performance, additional train service, improved safety and reliability, better schedules and more destinations. Other issues of local importance could include connections to ACE, BART and other local transit providers, a future direct connection to San Francisco, increased service to and from Sacramento, and a possible new station for the *San Joaquin* service.

This is a unique opportunity for the public to be involved in planning the future of train travel in the Central Valley.

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