

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS
CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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Action Item

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Subject: **APPROVAL OF PROJECT FOR CONSIDERATION OF FUNDING**
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RESOLUTION E-11-48

RECOMMENDATION:

The California Department of Transportation (Department) recommends that the California Transportation Commission (Commission), as a responsible agency, approve the attached Resolution E-11-48.

ISSUE:

The attached resolution proposes to approve for consideration of funding the following project for which a Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) has been completed:

- BNSF tracks in Contra Costa County. Construct 4.5 miles of second main track along the BNSF east-west main line from the city of Oakley to the community of Port Chicago. (PPNO 2079)

This project in Contra Costa County will construct a second main track, crossovers and other related track and signal work between Oakley and Port Chicago. The project is programmed in the Proposition 1B Public Transportation Modernization, Improvement and Service Enhancement Account Program for the Intercity Passenger Rail Projects. Total estimated project cost is \$36,707,000 for capital and support. The scope as described for the preferred alternative is consistent with the project scope programmed in the Proposition 1B Public Transportation Modernization, Improvement and Service Enhancement Account Program.

A copy of the FEIR has been provided to Commission staff. Resources that may be impacted by the project include; aesthetic resources, agricultural resources, air quality, biological resources, cultural resources, geology and soils, hazardous waste, land use, noise, public services, traffic and circulation, and water quality. Potential impacts associated with the project can all be mitigated to below significance through proposed mitigation measures. As a result, a Final Environmental Impact Report was prepared for the project.

Attachments

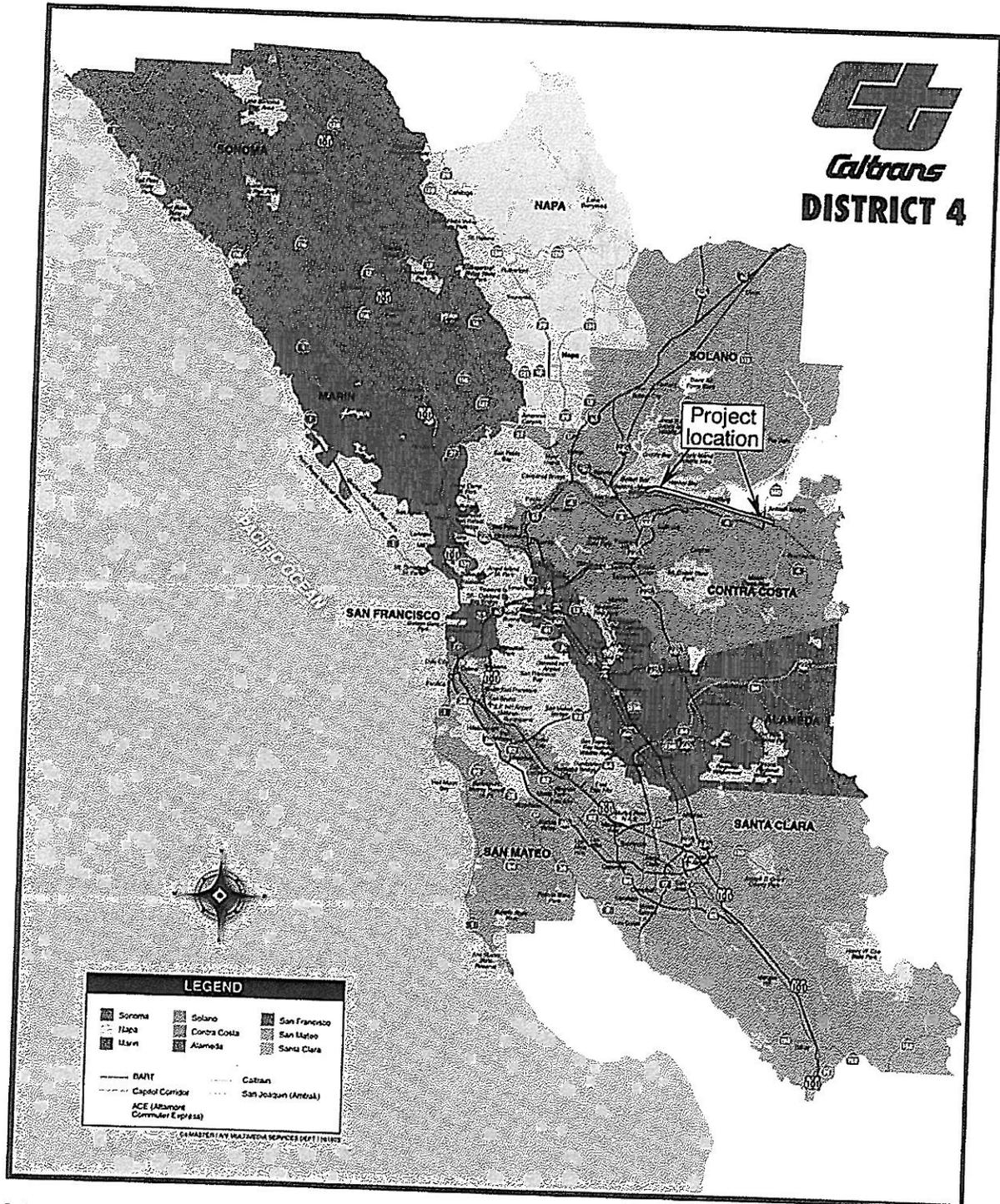
CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Resolution for Future Consideration of Funding

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Resolution E-11-48

- 1.1** **WHEREAS**, the California Department of Transportation (Department) has completed an Environmental Impact Report pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the CEQA Guidelines for the following project:
- BNSF tracks in Contra Costa County. Construct 4.5 miles of second main track along the BNSF east-west main line from the city of Oakley to the community of Port Chicago. (PPNO 2079)
- 1.2** **WHEREAS**, the Department has certified that the Environmental Impact Report has been completed pursuant to CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines for its implementation; and
- 1.3** **WHEREAS**, the California Transportation Commission, as a responsible agency, has considered the information contained in the Environmental Impact Report; and
- 2.1** **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the California Transportation Commission does hereby support approval of the above referenced project to allow for consideration of funding.



Map 1. Project location map.