



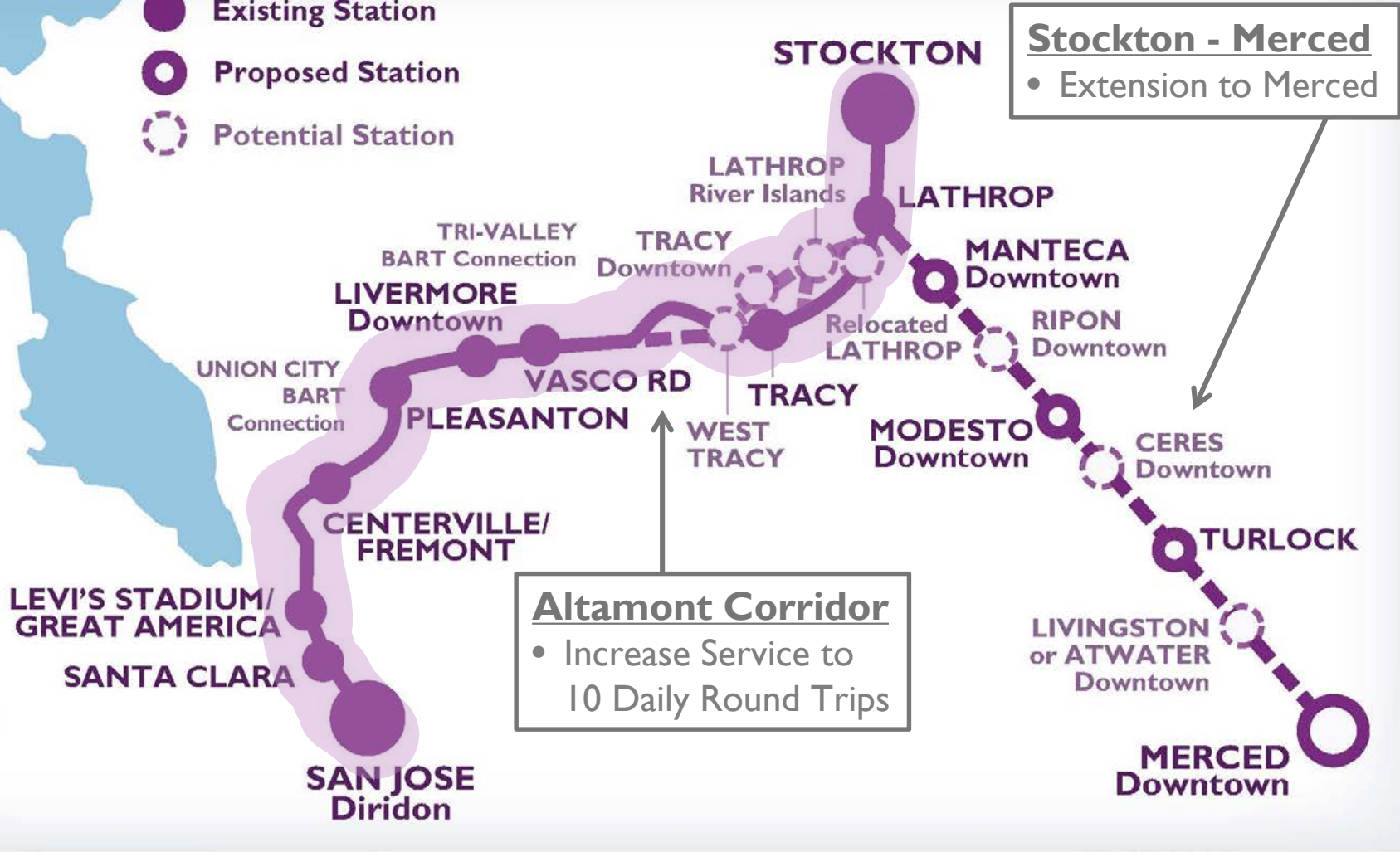
ITEM 5

Approve a Resolution of the Board of Commissioners of the San Joaquin Regional Rail Commission Authorizing and Directing the Executive Director to Adopt a Change in the CEQA Document for the ACEforward Expansion EIR to Focus on the SB132 Funded ACE Extension Lathrop to Ceres/Merced and Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (Anticipated) Expanded Service from Stockton to Sacramento



ACEforward DRAFT EIR MAP

- Existing Station
- Proposed Station
- Potential Station



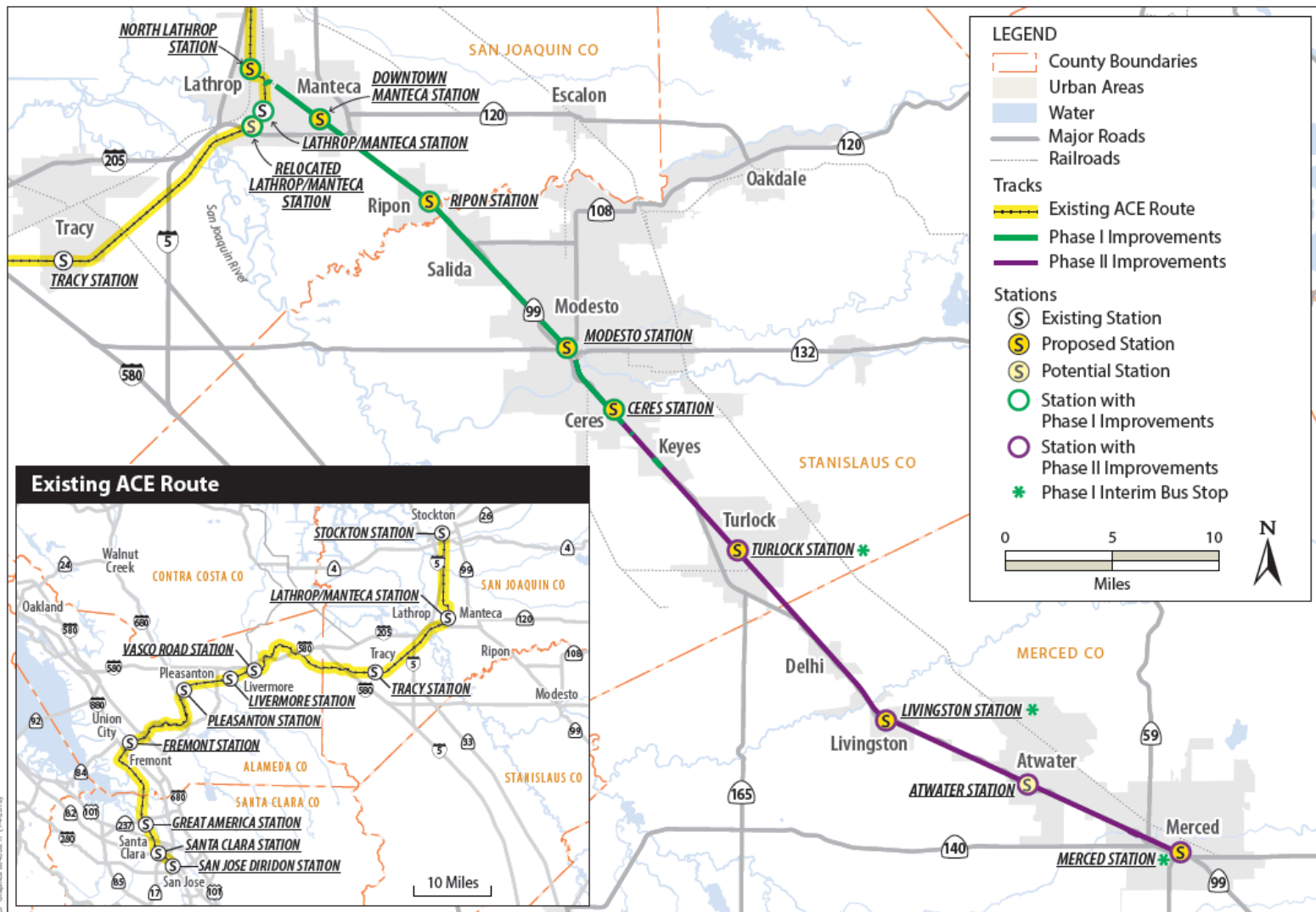


CHANGE IN CEQA APPROACH RECOMMENDATION

- Staff proposes that SJRRC does not continue with the existing *ACEforward* CEQA process.
- Staff recommends preparing new environmental documents focused only on the ACE Extension Lathrop to Ceres/Merced which reflects the funded project under SB132 and associated improvements from Stockton to Sacramento in support of the TIRCP application.



LATHROP TO MERCED EXTENSION MAP



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Figure 1
Project Location Map
ACE Extension Lathrop to Ceres/Merced



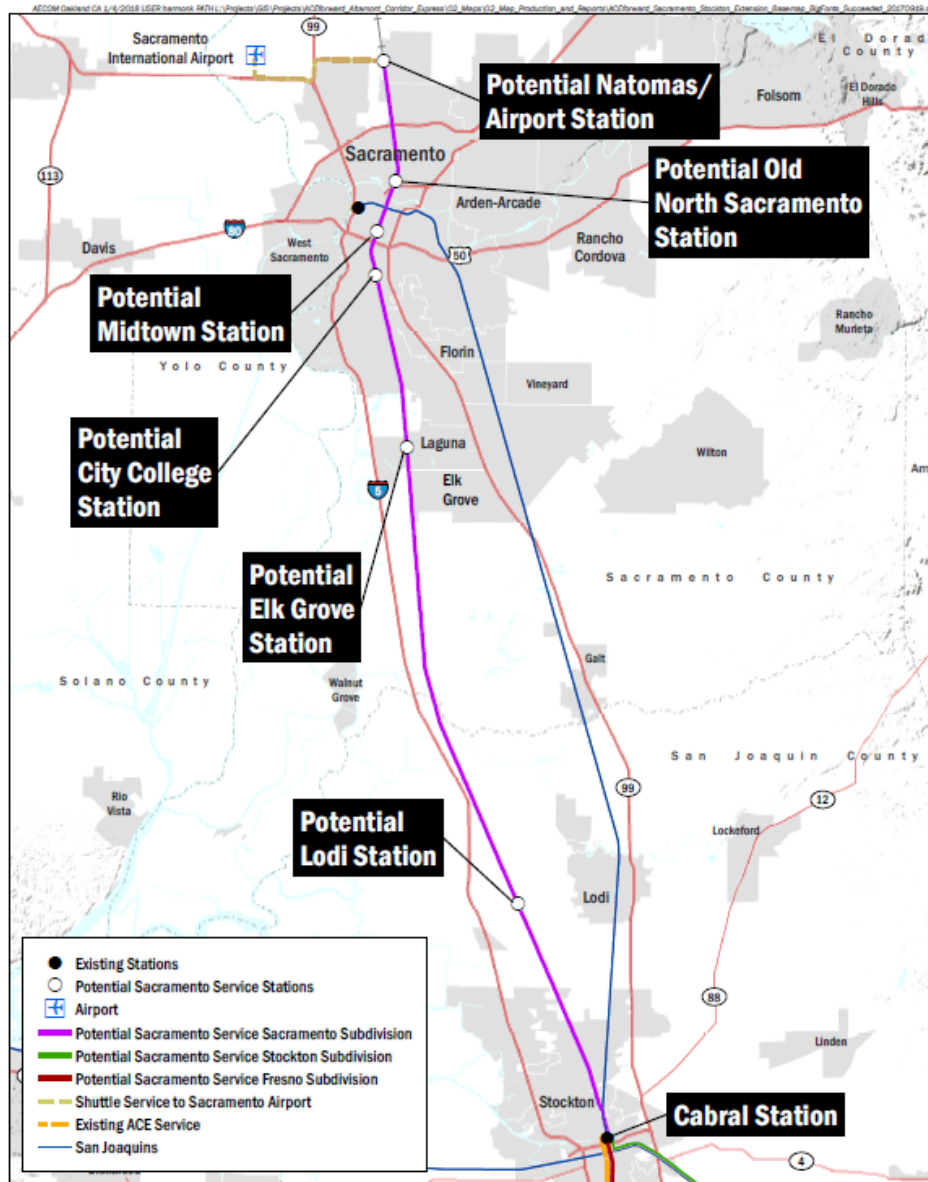


NEW CEQA PROCESS SCHEDULE FOR EIR LATHROP TO CERES/MERCED

- **January 2018:** SJRRC rescinds the prior Notice of Preparation (NOP) and issues a new NOP for the “ACE Extension to Ceres and Merced” project to start a new CEQA process.
- **February 2018:** SJRRC releases a new EIR, after considering any scoping comments, for the Ceres and Merced extensions.
- **March 2018:** Public Comment period continues.
- **April/May 2018:** Final EIR is prepared, including response to comments on comments received on the new EIR.
- **June 2018:** Final EIR is presented to SJRRC for certification and project is considered for approval.



SACRAMENTO SUBDIVISION BETWEEN STOCKTON AND NATOMAS





NEW CEQA PROCESS SCHEDULE FOR INITIAL STUDY/MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION (IS/MND) STOCKTON TO SACRAMENTO

- **January/February 2018:** continue and complete fieldwork analysis of resources and continue coordination agencies, and the public.
- **April 2018:** finalize project definition based on results of TIRCP awards.
- **April/May 2018:** Administrative Draft IS/MND is submitted to SJRRC staff for review.
- **July 2018:** Public Draft IS/MND is prepared for public review.
- **August/September 2018:** Final document will be prepared including response to comments on comments received on the Public Draft IS/MND.
 - A Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP) for the project will be developed for publication and adoption.
 - A Notice of Determination (NOD) for filing with the County Clerks and the State Clearinghouse will be completed.



USE OF REMAINING ACEforward ANALYSIS

- The *ACEforward* program-level analysis of potential ACE/BART connections will be of great value to the new Tri-Valley-San Joaquin Rail Authority as it takes on its new role in regional rail planning.
- In addition, the information relative to potential alternatives will be useful in the future as regional planning for both freight and passenger rail service in Alameda County proceeds in the following years.
- The prior analysis will also help ACE when it may consider separate future station improvements or other targeted improvements that it may consider in the future, such as a possible West Tracy Station.



- Project will utilize funding approved by SB132 and is ready for encumbrance from the Public Transportation Account, State Transportation Fund. A future budget amendment will be presented to the Board at an upcoming meeting



RECOMMENDATION

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ITEM 6

Approve a Resolution of the Board of Commissioners of the San Joaquin Regional Rail Commission Authorizing and Directing the Executive Director to Negotiate and Enter Into a Single Source Contract with AECOM to Complete the Environmental Documents for ACE Extension Lathrop to Ceres/Merced and Stockton to Sacramento for an Amount Not-To-Exceed \$1,800,000



SINGLE SOURCE CONTRACT WITH AECOM

- California High Speed Rail Authority is terminating AECOM's contract for the ACEforward Expansion EIR.
- In order to complete environmental for the SB132 project Lathrop to Ceres and TIRCP Stockton to Natomas, the environmental documents need to be completed.
- To avoid jeopardizing the project delivery of the SB132 funded ACE extension, CalSTA recommended that SJRRC use funding from SB132 to complete the project delivery efforts for the ACE Lathrop to Ceres/Merced project and continue work on Stockton to Natomas for the TIRCP application.



SINGLE SOURCE CONTRACT WITH AECOM

- Per the SJRRC Procurement Manual, section 7.1.2:

7.1.2 Single Source. Single Source procurements are differentiated from Sole Source procurements in that there may be other sources of supply but because of financial, schedule, performance and other factors a single source of supply is immune from effective competition. Such an immunity is created when the award to a different contractor would create a waste of SJRRC funds resulting from a substantial increase in support costs, a substantial schedule delay not owing to poor planning by SJRRC, an unacceptable technical risk towards completion of a project (or continuation of a warranty), or substantial increases in lifecycle costs. Single Source procurements will be processed as Sole Source purchases. The Procurement Officer and Director of Planning, Programming, and Operations, after consultation with SJRRC Legal Counsel, may make Single Source determinations.



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ITEM 7

**Appoint a Representative to the Tri-Valley-San Joaquin Valley
Regional Rail Authority**





- AB 758 established the Tri-Valley-San Joaquin Valley Regional Rail Authority for purposes of planning, developing, and delivering cost-effective and responsive transit connectivity between the Bay Area Rapid Transit District's rapid transit system and the Altamont Corridor Express commuter rail service in the Tri-Valley that meets the goals and objectives of the community.
- The bill establishes the Authority's governing board to be composed of 15 representatives.
- The definition of "representative" does not limit who can be appointed.



CURRENT APPOINTMENTS

- (a) The Bay Area Rapid Transit District - TBD
- (b) The City of Dublin – **Don Biddle**
- (c) The City of Lathrop - **Paul Akinjo**
- (d) The City of Livermore – **John Marchand**
- (e) The City of Manteca – **Debby Moorhead**
- (f) The City of Pleasanton – **Jerry Thorne**
- (g) The City of Stockton – TBD
- (h) The City of Tracy - **Veronica Vargas**
- (i) The County of Alameda – **Scott Haggerty**
- (j) The County of San Joaquin - TBD
- (k) The Livermore Amador Valley Transit Authority - TBD
- (l) The Mountain House Community Services District - **Bernice King Tingle**
- (m) The San Joaquin Regional Rail Commission – TBD
- (n) The City of Danville – **Karen Stepper**
- (o) The City of San Ramon - **Phil O’loane**



RECOMMENDATION

- Appoint a Representative to the Tri-Valley-San Joaquin Valley Regional Rail Authority.