

# Summary Form for Electronic Document Submittal

**Form F**

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SCH #: 2021020444 (Recirculated Draft EIR)

Project Title: Central Coast Layover Facility

Lead Agency: LOSSAN Rail Corridor Agency

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Project Location: San Luis Obispo San Luis Obispo  
*City* *County*

Project Description (Proposed actions, location, and/or consequences).

The proposed project includes the construction of a new rail yard, storage and servicing tracks, operations and maintenance buildings, landscape improvements, pedestrian improvements, and safety and security features. Funding is currently not available to construct the entire facility at once. Instead a phased construction approach is intended, constructing an initial portion of the facility which includes the most immediately needed elements, and adding the remaining components as the need arises and additional funding becomes available.

The project site is located on approximately 13 acres of relatively undeveloped land in the City of San Luis Obispo, which is situated along the Central Coast region of the state, about 190 miles north of Los Angeles. The proposed project is located south of the existing San Luis Obispo Amtrak Station (1011 Railroad Avenue). It extends from south of the San Luis Obispo Railroad Museum's parking lot to east of Lawrence Drive. The project site is between the Union Pacific Main Tracks and existing commercial and residential development to the west.

Identify the project's significant or potentially significant effects and briefly describe any proposed mitigation measures that would reduce or avoid that effect.

- Air Quality (preparation of a construction valley fever plan, compliance with naturally-occurring asbestos measures, fugitive dust control measures, limits of idling during construction)
- Cultural Resources (mitigation for public outreach and education, construction monitoring and inadvertent discovery of archaeological resources and human remains)
- Greenhouse Gas Emissions (install solar panels to off-set electricity demand, use of renewable diesel for locomotives, and purchase of GHG emissions offsets)
- Noise (employ noise-reducing measures during construction, community notification, operational noise restrictions, and noise monitoring program)

If applicable, describe any of the project's areas of controversy known to the Lead Agency, including issues raised by agencies and the public.

Several areas of controversy were identified during the project's Notice of Preparation and public hearing comment period, including:

- Aesthetic impacts (landscaping/screening, historical railroad architecture, preservation of Railroad District, lighting impacts, aesthetic impacts to nearby residences, and fencing)
- Air quality impacts (engine idling, health risks from diesel locomotives)
- Cultural resource impacts (preservation of historic resources)
- Greenhouse gas impacts (additional locomotives and associated greenhouse gas emissions)
- Noise impacts (nighttime noise, noise from train washing and maintenance activities, and consideration of insulation and restricted work hours)
- Transportation impacts (potential to divide neighborhoods on either side of tracks, loss of parking, Francis Street over-crossing, unsafe railroad track crossings, unauthorized vehicle access, active transportation, and consideration of multi-use path for better access to neighborhoods and parks)

Provide a list of the responsible or trustee agencies for the project.

- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE)
  - Clean Water Act (CWA) Section 404 permit
  
- California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW)
  - Endangered Species compliance
  
- Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB)
  - National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Construction General Permit
  - NPDES General Permit for Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) for Stormwater Discharges from Small Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems
  - NPDES General Permit for Storm Water Discharges Associated with Industrial Activities
  
- San Luis Obispo Air Pollution Control District
  - Construction Permit Requirements – Portable generators and equipment with engines that are 50 horsepower or greater
  
- Union Pacific
  - Approval of track design connecting to existing main tracks
  - Approval of property purchase or lease to the LOSSAN Rail Corridor Agency