

California High-Speed Rail Authority

Bakersfield to Palmdale

Project Section

**Final Environmental Impact Report/
Environmental Impact Statement**

**Appendix 5-C: Key Environmental Justice
Stakeholder Outreach Meetings**

May 2021



The environmental review, consultation, and other actions required by applicable Federal environmental laws for this project are being or have been carried out by the State of California pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated July 23, 2019, and executed by the Federal Railroad Administration and the State of California.

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Table 5-C-1 Key Environmental Justice Stakeholder Outreach Meetings

Date	Meeting	Relevant Environmental Justice Population
March 21, 2012	Rosamond Community Services District	Public agency service provider for this unincorporated rural community
March 22, 2012	City of Lancaster Elected Officials	Represents diverse community members and interests
May 15, 2012	Kern County Farm Bureau (Ben McFarland, President)	Represents family farmers and ranchers in Kern County, as well as the jobs they create and the workers these jobs support
August 23, 2012	Rosamond Community Services District/Municipal Advisory Council	Public agency service provider and local representatives of this unincorporated rural community
October 10, 2012	Rosamond Community Services District	Public agency service provider for this unincorporated rural community
March 21, 2012	Rosamond Community Services District	Public agency service provider for this unincorporated rural community
March 22, 2012	City of Lancaster Elected Officials	Represents diverse community members and interests
May 15, 2012	Kern County Farm Bureau (Ben McFarland, President)	Represents family farmers and ranchers in Kern County, as well as the jobs they create and the workers these jobs support
August 23, 2012	Rosamond Community Services District/Municipal Advisory Council	Public agency service provider and local representatives of this unincorporated rural community
October 10, 2012	Rosamond Community Services District	Public agency service provider for this unincorporated rural community
January 8, 2013	City of Palmdale Elected Officials	Represents diverse community members and interests
January 14, 2013	Los Angeles County Supervisor Mike Antonovich	Represents diverse community members and interests
January 30, 2013	Kern County Farm Bureau	Represents family farmers and ranchers in Kern County, as well as the jobs they create and the workers these jobs support
March 6, 2013	National Chavez Center	Works to preserve and promote the legacy of Cesar Chavez
March 7, 2013	Edison Middle School	Serves a diverse population of students and parents in the Edison community
May 14, 2013	Los Angeles Supervisor Antonovich (Norm Hickling)	Represents diverse community members and interests
April 16, 2014	Office of Assemblymember Fox	Represents diverse community members and interests
May 27, 2014	Steve Perez, Rosamond Community Services District	Public agency service provider for this unincorporated rural community
July 9, 2014	Office of Senator Steve Knight	Represents diverse community members and interests

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July 28, 2014	Kern County Farm Bureau	Represents family farmers and ranchers in Kern County, as well as the jobs they create and the workers these jobs support
July 28, 2014	Office of Supervisor Zack Scrivner	Represents diverse community members and interests
August 22, 2014	California Black Chamber of Commerce Business and Economic Summit	Represents African-American businesses across the state and focuses on economic development
August 28, 2014	Kern County Supervisor Leticia Perez	Represents diverse community members and interests
September 17, 2014	Los Angeles County Economic Development Corporation, SoCal Jobs Defense Council	Focused on business and job growth across the region
October 3, 2014	Regional Hispanic Chamber of Commerce—Southern California Business Development Conference	Provides support and growth opportunities for Hispanic-owned businesses across the region
October 10, 2014	Office of Kern County Supervisor Mike Maggard	Represents diverse community members and interests
October 23, 2014	Successful Women in Business Leadership and Procurement Conference	Provides support and growth opportunities for women-owned businesses and leaders across the region
December 12, 2014	Antelope Valley African-American Chamber of Commerce—Monthly Business Luncheon and Business Showcase	Provides support and growth opportunities for African-American owned businesses in the Antelope Valley
March 4, 2015	National Chavez Center	Works to preserve and promote the legacy of Cesar Chavez
March 12, 2015	Kern County Farm Bureau	Represents family farmers and ranchers in Kern County, as well as the jobs they create and the workers these jobs support
March 12, 2015	Edison Elementary School District	Serves a diverse population of students and parents in the Edison community
April 7, 2015	Building Ladders of Opportunity—A Pathway to Transportation	Provides information on opportunities for women and people of color to enter the transportation field
April 13, 2015	Rosamond Community Services District	Public agency service provider for this unincorporated rural community
April 18–19, 2015	California Poppy Festival	Draws a large number of residents from diverse areas of Rosamond, Lancaster, and Palmdale
May 1–3, 2015	Women Building the Nation Conference	Provides information and support to women in the construction industry
May 4, 2015	City of Tehachapi Elected Officials	Represents diverse community members and interests
May 21, 2015	Women Can Build!	Provides information and support to women in the construction industry
May 26, 2015	Meet and Greet—Rosamond Municipal Advisory Council	Provides local representation of this unincorporated rural community

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June 22, 2015	City of Lancaster Elected Officials	Represents diverse community members and interests
July 16, 2015	Rosamond Municipal Advisory Council/Rosamond Chamber of Commerce	Provides local representation of residents and businesses in this unincorporated rural community
September 8, 2015	Lancaster Mayor R. Rex Parris	Represents diverse community members and interests
September 15, 2015	Tehachapi SWG Meeting	Includes local school districts, economic development organizations, local and ethnic chambers of commerce, labor unions, government and public agencies, and community and nonprofit organizations
September 15, 2015	Edison SWG Meeting	Includes local school districts, economic development organizations, local and ethnic chambers of commerce, labor unions, government and public agencies, and community and nonprofit organizations
September 16, 2015	Rosamond SWG Meeting	Includes local school districts, economic development organizations, local and ethnic chambers of commerce, labor unions, government and public agencies, and community and nonprofit organizations
September 17, 2015	Lancaster SWG Meeting	Includes local school districts, economic development organizations, local and ethnic chambers of commerce, labor unions, government and public agencies, and community and nonprofit organizations
September 30, 2015	Edison Community Open House	Includes diverse community members and interests
October 1, 2015	Tehachapi Community Open House	Includes diverse community members and interests
October 5, 2015	Mojave Community Open House	Includes diverse community members and interests
October 6, 2015	Rosamond Community Open House	Includes diverse community members and interests
October 7, 2015	Lancaster Community Open House	Includes diverse community members and interests
November 2, 2015	Presentation to Lancaster High School STEM Students	Serves a diverse population of students and parents in Lancaster
November 5, 2015	Tribal Meeting	Provided information to local tribes and received feedback regarding the Bakersfield to Palmdale Project Section
December 3, 2015	Valley Small Business and Construction Report—Business, Transportation and Construction Expo	Provides information and support to small and diverse business owners
February 23, 2016	Kern County Farm Bureau	Represents family farmers and ranchers in Kern County, as well as the jobs they create and the workers these jobs support
February 26, 2016	44th Annual Antelope Valley Business Outlook Conference	Attracts representatives from local businesses and chambers of commerce, service providers, municipal governments/public agencies, and local colleges and universities

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March 8, 2016	Lancaster Vice Mayor Marvin Crist	Represents diverse community members and interests
March 22, 2016	Office of Kern County Supervisor Zack Scrivner	Represents diverse community members and interests
March 22, 2016	Office of Kern County Supervisor Leticia Perez	Represents diverse community members and interests
March 22, 2016	Edison SWG Meeting	Includes local school districts, economic development organizations, local and ethnic chambers of commerce, labor unions, government and public agencies, and community and nonprofit organizations
March 22, 2016	Crossing (Tehachapi) SWG Meeting	Includes local school districts, economic development organizations, local and ethnic chambers of commerce, labor unions, government and public agencies, and community and nonprofit organizations
March 24, 2016	North Antelope Valley (Rosamond) SWG Meeting	Includes local school districts, economic development organizations, local and ethnic chambers of commerce, labor unions, government and public agencies, and community and nonprofit organizations
March 24, 2016	Lancaster SWG Meeting	Includes local school districts, economic development organizations, local and ethnic chambers of commerce, labor unions, government and public agencies, and community and nonprofit organizations
April 16–17, 2016	California Poppy Festival	Draws a large number of residents from diverse areas of Rosamond, Lancaster, and Palmdale
May 13, 2016	San Joaquin Valley Contracting Procurement and Transportation Conference 2016	Sponsored by the Kern County Minority Contractors Association; provides information and support to people of color working and/or who own businesses in the construction and transportation fields
June 28, 2016	Edison SWG Meeting	Includes local school districts, economic development organizations, local and ethnic chambers of commerce, labor unions, government and public agencies, and community and nonprofit organizations
June 28, 2016	Crossing (Tehachapi) SWG Meeting	Includes local school districts, economic development organizations, local and ethnic chambers of commerce, labor unions, government and public agencies, and community and nonprofit organizations
June 29, 2016	North Antelope Valley (Rosamond) SWG Meeting	Includes local school districts, economic development organizations, local and ethnic chambers of commerce, labor unions, government and public agencies, and community and nonprofit organizations
June 29, 2016	Lancaster SWG Meeting	Includes local school districts, economic development organizations, local and ethnic chambers of commerce, labor unions, government and public agencies, and community and nonprofit organizations
July 19, 2016	Edison Community Open House Meeting	Includes diverse community members and interests

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July 20, 2016	Tehachapi Community Open House Meeting	Includes diverse community members and interests
July 21, 2016	Lancaster Community Open House Meeting	Includes diverse community members and interests
July 26, 2016	Rosamond Community Open House Meeting	Includes diverse community members and interests
August 3, 2016	Greater Tehachapi Economic Development Council	Focused on business and job growth across the region
August 10, 2016	Arvin-Edison Water Storage District	Public agency service provider for these agricultural communities
August 30, 2016	Rosamond Community Services District	Public agency service provider for this unincorporated rural community
September 20, 2016	Edison Elementary School District/ Edison Middle School	Serves a diverse population of students and parents in the Edison community
September 24, 2016	SeptemberFest (Rosamond)	Draws a large number of residents from diverse areas of Rosamond and surrounding communities
September 27, 2016	National Chavez Center	Works to preserve and promote the legacy of Cesar Chavez
December 1, 2016	Environmental Justice Outreach Pop-Up Booth at Carniceria Gonzalez (Lancaster)	Includes diverse community members and interests in the Lancaster area
December 8, 2016	Environmental Justice Outreach Pop-Up Booth at Walmart Supercenter (Palmdale)	Includes diverse community members and interests in the Palmdale area
December 8, 2016	Environmental Justice Outreach Pop-Up Booth at Walmart Neighborhood Market (Palmdale)	Includes diverse community members and interests in the Palmdale area
December 16, 2016	National Chavez Center	Works to preserve and promote the legacy of Cesar Chavez
January 10, 2017	City of Tehachapi	Represents diverse community members and interests
January 10, 2017	Crossing (Tehachapi) SWG Meeting	Includes local school districts, economic development organizations, local and ethnic chambers of commerce, labor unions, government and public agencies, and community and nonprofit organizations
January 10, 2017	Edison SWG Meeting	Includes local school districts (including Edison Middle School/Edison Elementary School District), economic development organizations, local and ethnic chambers of commerce, labor unions, government and public agencies, and community and nonprofit organizations
January 11, 2017	Palmdale SWG Meeting	Includes local school districts, economic development organizations, local and ethnic chambers of commerce, labor unions, government and public agencies, and community and nonprofit organizations

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January 12, 2017	North Antelope Valley (Rosamond) SWG Meeting	Includes local school districts, economic development organizations, local and ethnic chambers of commerce, labor unions, government and public agencies, and community and nonprofit organizations
January 12, 2017	Lancaster SWG Meeting	Includes local school districts, economic development organizations, local and ethnic chambers of commerce, labor unions, government and public agencies, and community and nonprofit organizations
January 17, 2017	Environmental Justice Pop-Up Activity Center Event at Walmart Supercenter (Palmdale)	Includes diverse community members and interests in the Palmdale area ^{1,3}
January 17, 2017	Environmental Justice Pop-Up Activity Center Event at Walmart Neighborhood Market (Palmdale)	Includes diverse community members and interests in the Lancaster area ^{1,3}
January 18, 2017	Environmental Justice Pop-Up Activity Center Event at K-Mart (Tehachapi)	Includes diverse community members and interests in the Tehachapi area ^{1,3}
January 18, 2017	Environmental Justice Pop-Up Activity Center Event at Albertson's (Tehachapi)	Includes diverse community members and interests in the Tehachapi area ^{1,3}
January 25, 2017	Lancaster City Open House Meeting	Includes diverse community members and interests ^{1,2,3}
January 28, 2017	Rosamond Community Open House Meeting	Includes diverse community members and interests ^{1,2,3}
January 31, 2017	Lancaster Community Open House Meeting	Includes diverse community members and interests ^{1,2,3}
February 1, 2017	Tehachapi Community Open House Meeting	Includes diverse community members and interests ^{1,2,3}
February 2, 2017	Meeting with Supervisor Leticia Perez's Staff	Represents diverse community members and interests ³
February 2, 2017	Meeting with Supervisor Zach Scrivner's Staff	Represents diverse community members and interests ³
February 2, 2017	Edison Community Open House Meeting	Includes diverse community members and interests ^{1,2,3}
February 7, 2017	Palmdale Community Open House Meeting	Includes diverse community members and interests ^{1,2,3}
February 16, 2017	The BLVD. Association presentation to Board of Directors	Represents diverse community members and interests ³
February 25, 2017	Bakersfield Black American History Parade	Includes diverse community members and interests ³
March 3, 2017	Environmental Justice Pop-Up Activity Center Event at Mercado Latino (Bakersfield)	Includes diverse community members and interests in the Bakersfield area ^{1,3}
April 22–23, 2017	Environmental Justice Activity Center Event at the California Poppy Festival (Lancaster)	Includes diverse community members and interests in the Lancaster area ^{1,3}

Date	Meeting	Relevant Environmental Justice Population
June 9, 2017	Presentation to the African American Chamber of Commerce	Represents diverse community members and interests ³
June 20, 2017	Meet and Greet: Antelope Valley Hispanic Chamber of Commerce	Represents diverse community members and interests ³
June 20, 2017	Meeting with the City of Tehachapi	Represents diverse community members and interests ³
July 7, 2017	Environmental Justice Pop-Up Activity Center Event at Mercado Latino (Bakersfield)	Includes diverse community members and interests in the Bakersfield area ^{1,3}
August 1, 2017	Tehachapi National Night Out—Information Table	Draws a large number of residents from diverse areas of Tehachapi and surrounding communities ^{1,3}
August 17, 2017	Rosamond Municipal Advisory Council—Board Meeting	Public agency service provider for this unincorporated rural community ³
August 23, 2017	Antelope Valley Hispanic Chamber of Commerce Spanish Luncheon	Provides support and growth opportunities for Hispanic businesspeople and Hispanic-owned businesses in the Antelope Valley ^{1,3}
August 24, 2017	Kern County Black Chamber of Commerce Small Business Diversity Expo and Trade Show	Provides support and growth opportunities for African-American-owned businesses in the Antelope Valley ^{1,3}
August 21, 2018	Edison SWG Meeting	Includes local school districts, economic development organizations, local and ethnic chambers of commerce, labor unions, government and public agencies, and community and nonprofit organizations
August 21, 2018	Tehachapi SWG Meeting	Includes local school districts, economic development organizations, local and ethnic chambers of commerce, labor unions, government and public agencies, and community and nonprofit organizations
August 21, 2018	Rosamond SWG Meeting	Includes local school districts, economic development organizations, local and ethnic chambers of commerce, labor unions, government and public agencies, and community and nonprofit organizations
August 22, 2018	Lancaster SWG Meeting	Includes local school districts, economic development organizations, local and ethnic chambers of commerce, labor unions, government and public agencies, and community and nonprofit organizations
August 22, 2018	Palmdale SWG Meeting	Includes local school districts, economic development organizations, local and ethnic chambers of commerce, labor unions, government and public agencies, and community and nonprofit organizations
September 5, 2018	Tehachapi Community Open House Meeting	Includes diverse community members and interests ^{1,2,3}
September 10, 2018	Edison Community Open House Meeting	Includes diverse community members and interests ^{1,2,3}
September 12, 2018	Lancaster Community Open House Meeting	Includes diverse community members and interests ^{1,2,3}
September 27, 2018	Environmental Justice Pop-Up Activity Center Event at Carnicería González (Lancaster)	Includes diverse community members and interests in the Lancaster area ^{1,2,3}

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September 27, 2018	Environmental Justice Pop-Up Activity Center Event at Mercado Latino (Bakersfield)	Includes diverse community members and interests in the Bakersfield area ^{1,2,3}
September 28, 2018	Environmental Justice Pop-Up Activity Center Event at Walmart Neighborhood Market (Bakersfield)	Includes diverse community members and interests in the Bakersfield area ^{1,3}
September 29, 2018	Environmental Justice Pop-Up Activity Center Event at Albertson's (Tehachapi)	Includes diverse community members and interests in the Tehachapi area ^{1,3}
February 27, 2019	City of Tehachapi	Represents diverse community members and interests
April 27-28, 2019	Environmental Justice Activity Center Event at the California Poppy Festival (Lancaster)	Draws a large number of residents from diverse areas of Rosamond, Lancaster, and Palmdale 1,3
May 14, 2019	Meeting with Edison School District	Serves a diverse population of students and parents in the Edison community
June 5, 2019	Meeting with City of Lancaster	Represents diverse community members and interests
August 15, 2019	Meeting with the City of Tehachapi	Represents diverse community members and interests
November 5, 2019	Meeting with the City of Lancaster	Represents diverse community members and interests
January 8, 2020	Meeting with the City of Lancaster	Represents diverse community members and interests
January 8, 2020	Meeting with the City of Tehachapi	Represents diverse community members and interests
January 8, 2020	Meeting with Kern County Supervisor Kathryn Barger 5 th District	Represents diverse community members and interests
January 9, 2020	Meeting with Kern County Supervisor Leticia Perez 5 th District	Represents diverse community members and interests
January 9, 2020	Meeting with Kern County Supervisor Zack Scrivner 2 nd District	Represents diverse community members and interests
January 9, 2020	Meeting with Kern County Supervisor Maggard 3 rd District	Represents diverse community members and interests
January 15, 2020	Environmental Justice Pop Up Activity Center Event at Mercado Latino (Bakersfield)	Includes diverse community members and interests in the Bakersfield area ^{1,3}
January 15, 2020	Environmental Justice Pop Up Activity Center Event at Public Library (Rosamond)	Includes diverse community members and interests in the Bakersfield area ^{1,3}
January 27, 2020	Presentation to North County Transportation Coalition (NCTC)	Represents diverse community members and interests in transportation within the Los Angeles County and Antelope Valley areas

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February 3, 2020	Edison Stakeholder Working Group Meeting	Includes local school districts (including Edison Middle School/Edison Elementary School District), economic development organizations, local and ethnic chambers of commerce, labor unions, government and public agencies, and community and nonprofit organizations
February 5, 2020	Palmdale Stakeholder Working Group Meeting	Includes local school districts, economic development organizations, local and ethnic chambers of commerce, labor unions, government and public agencies, and community and nonprofit organizations
February 5, 2020	Lancaster Stakeholder Working Group Meeting	Includes local school districts, economic development organizations, local and ethnic chambers of commerce, labor unions, government and public agencies, and community and nonprofit organizations
February 5, 2020	Tehachapi Stakeholder Working Group Meeting	Includes local school districts, economic development organizations, local and ethnic chambers of commerce, labor unions, government and public agencies, and community and nonprofit organizations
February 26, 2020	Rosamond Stakeholder Working Group Meeting	Includes local school districts, economic development organizations, local and ethnic chambers of commerce, labor unions, government and public agencies, and community and nonprofit organizations
February 27, 2020	Meeting with the City of Palmdale	Represents diverse community members and interests
March 4, 2020	Lancaster Community Open House	Includes diverse community members and interests 1, 3
March 5, 2020	Edison Community Open House	Includes diverse community members and interests 1,3
April 9, 2020	DEIR/EIS Virtual Public Hearing	Includes diverse community members and interests 1
April 10, 2020	Meeting with Lancaster School District	Serves a diverse population of students and parents in the Lancaster and Antelope Valley communities
April 10, 2020	Meeting with University of Antelope Valley	Serves a diverse population of students in the Antelope Valley communities
April 16, 2020	Meeting with Kern High School District	Serves a diverse population of students and parents in the communities of Kern County
May 21, 2020	Meeting with the City of Lancaster	Represents diverse community members and interests
June 2, 2020	Meeting with the City of Tehachapi	Represents diverse community members and interests
June 9, 2020	Meeting with the City of Palmdale	Represents diverse community members and interests
June 11, 2020	Briefing with Building and Construction Trades Council	Represents and provides support for men and women in construction and trades
June 25, 2020	Meeting with the City of Palmdale	Represents diverse community members and interests
July 6, 2020	Meeting with the City of Lancaster	Represents diverse community members and interests

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June 20, 2020	Presentation to North County Transportation Coalition (NCTC)	Represents diverse community members and interests in transportation within the Los Angeles County and Antelope Valley areas
July 23, 2020	Meeting with the City of Palmdale	Represents diverse community members and interests
December 14, 2020	Environmental Justice Listening Session (Palmdale)	These listening sessions are intended to give affected communities an opportunity to provide input on the Authority's proposed mitigation measures to address disproportionate impacts to minority populations and low-income communities within the Bakersfield to Palmdale Project Section. The input received during these meetings was considered during preparation of this Final EIR/EIS.
December 15, 2020	Environmental Justice Listening Session (Lancaster)	These listening sessions are intended to give affected communities an opportunity to provide input on the Authority's proposed mitigation measures to address disproportionate impacts to minority populations and low-income communities within the Bakersfield to Palmdale Project Section. The input received during these meetings was considered during preparation of this Final EIR/EIS.
December 16, 2020	Environmental Justice Listening Session (Edison)	These listening sessions are intended to give affected communities an opportunity to provide input on the Authority's proposed mitigation measures to address disproportionate impacts to minority populations and low-income communities within the Bakersfield to Palmdale Project Section. The input received during these meetings was considered during preparation of this Final EIR/EIS
January 11, 2021	Environmental Justice Listening Session (Edison)	These listening sessions are intended to give affected communities an opportunity to provide input on the Authority's proposed mitigation measures to address disproportionate impacts to minority populations and low-income communities within the Bakersfield to Palmdale Project Section. The input received during these meetings will then be considered in the Final EIR/EIS prior to publication.
January 12, 2021	Environmental Justice Listening Session (Palmdale)	These listening sessions are intended to give affected communities an opportunity to provide input on the Authority's proposed mitigation measures to address disproportionate impacts to minority populations and low-income communities within the Bakersfield to Palmdale Project Section. The input received during these meetings will then be considered in the Final EIR/EIS prior to publication.

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January 13, 2021	Environmental Justice Listening Session (Lancaster)	These listening sessions are intended to give affected communities an opportunity to provide input on the Authority’s proposed mitigation measures to address disproportionate impacts to minority populations and low-income communities within the Bakersfield to Palmdale Project Section. The input received during these meetings will then be considered in the Final EIR/EIS prior to publication.

¹ Limited English proficiency materials present.
² Translators present.
³ Meeting in minority or low-income area.
 STEM = science, technology, engineering, and mathematics
 SWG = Stakeholder Working Group

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