



.

BRIEFING BOOK





































CORRIDOR SNAPSHOT

42

miles

7

stations

33,000

daily commute rides by 2040

42,000

metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalent/year reduction in Greenhouse Gas (GHG) emissions by 2040

Seamless

connections to BART

MEGA CHALLENGES IN THE MEGAREGION

THE BAY AREA GENERATES



6 jobs

Only 1 house

BAY AREA UNSUSTAINABLE HOUSING COSTS



1 house Bay Area

3 houses North San Joaquin Valley





TRAFFIC WILL INCREASE

60%

2013 to 2040





















IMPROVING STATEWIDE CONNECTIVITY



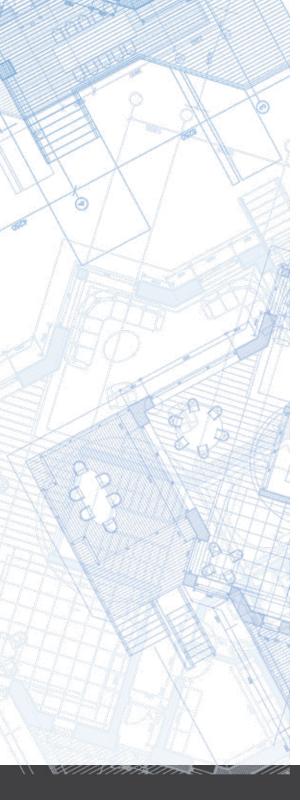
Valley Link closes a critical gap by connecting BART to the state rail system — linking nearly 500 miles of commuter and intercity rail with more than 130 stations throughout the Northern California Megaregion.

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SUSTAINABILITY POLICY

GOAL – Be a model of sustainability in the design, construction and operation of the Valley Link system.



ENVIRONMENT

- Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions
- Operate system on renewable energy
- Strive to create a system that is 100% self-sufficient
- Preserve natural resources with sustainable infrastructure



CONNECTIVITY

- Integrate service with State's rail and transit operations
- Improve transit and/or feeder bus services
- Promote active transportation
- Encourage zero emission vehicles and shared rides



EQUITABLE ACCESS

- Ensure a meaningful level of participation from disadvantaged and low-income communities
- Maximize benefits to disadvantaged and low-income communities



STATION AREA GOALS

- Work in partnership with communities to identify and incorporate high priority local goals for stations
- Initiative service at earliest possible date and preserve land for design and infrastructure in support of Sustainable Community Strategies (SB 375)

SUSTAINABILITY IN ACTION





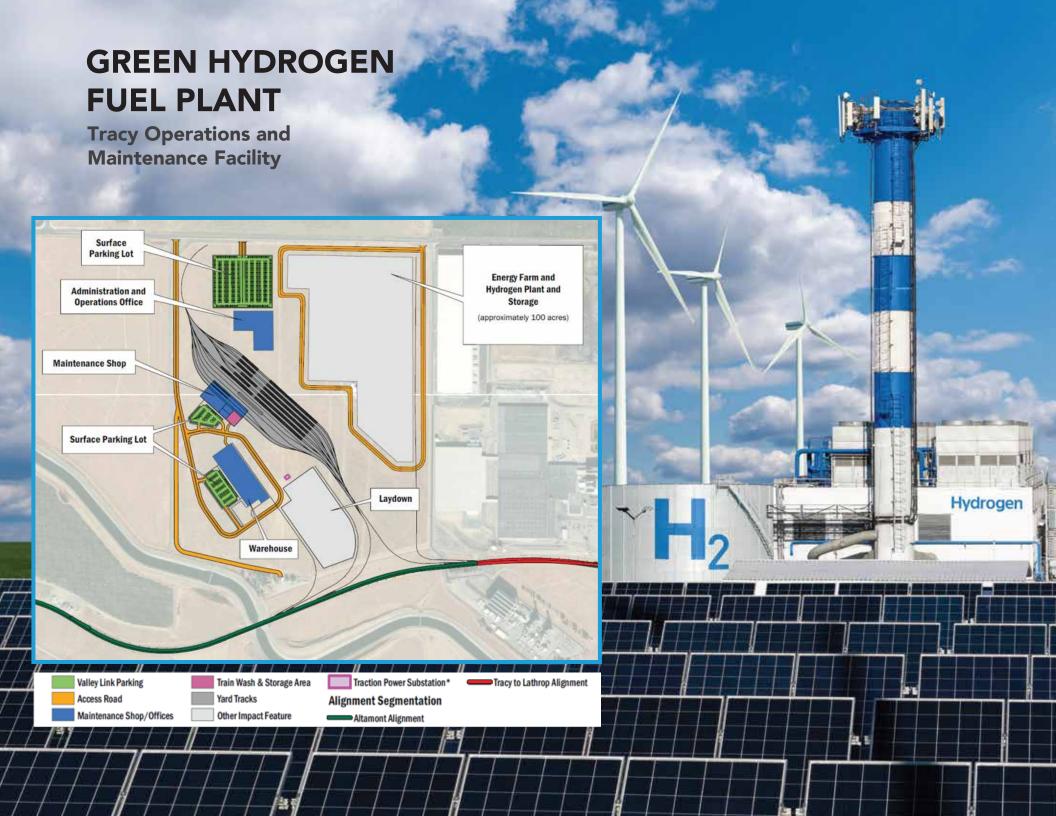






INNOVATIVE STATION ACCESS





PROJECT TIMELINE - INITIAL OPERATING SEGMENT

