



JPB Board of Directors  
Meeting of May 7, 2020

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**Subject:** Re: San Jose to Merced draft EIR materials  
**Date:** Monday, April 27, 2020 10:40:57 AM

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Dear Vice Chair Richards and Board members,

Further to last Friday's emails, I am pleased to inform you that materials are now available for download but I am unable to request an electronic copy of the draft EIR. Specifically, calling 800-455-8166 followed by 1 for English results in a "This number is unavailable. Please try again later" message and the call is disconnected.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

Roland Lebrun

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**From:** Roland Lebrun <ccss@msn.com>  
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**Subject:** Re: San Jose to Merced draft EIR materials

Dear Chair Richards and Board Members,

Further to my email of 1.49 PM this afternoon and my attempt to download materials from the Authority's website, I have now discovered that none of the materials for the San Jose to Merced draft EIR are available for download: [https://www.hsr.ca.gov/programs/environmental/eis\\_eir/draft\\_san\\_jose\\_merced.aspx](https://www.hsr.ca.gov/programs/environmental/eis_eir/draft_san_jose_merced.aspx)

## San Jose to Merced Project Section: Draft Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement | California High-Speed Rail Authority | State of California

The California High-Speed Rail Authority (Authority) announces the availability of the Draft Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement (EIR/EIS) for the San Jose to Merced Project Section of the California High-Speed Rail (HSR) Project. The Draft EIR/EIS has been prepared and is ...

[www.hsr.ca.gov](http://www.hsr.ca.gov)

I am therefore respectfully requesting that the Board immediately direct staff to withdraw the

Notice Of Availability and to reissue it at some point in the future as and when these materials are available for review by the general public.

Thank you in advance for your urgent attention to this matter.

Roland Lebrun

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**Subject:** San Jose to Merced EIR materials

Dear Vice Chair Richards and Board members,

Further to the Notice Of Availability of the San Jose to Merced EIR, I attempted to request an electronic copy of the materials

[https://hsr.ca.gov/docs/programs/san\\_jose\\_merced/JM\\_DraftEIR-EIS\\_NOA-English.pdf](https://hsr.ca.gov/docs/programs/san_jose_merced/JM_DraftEIR-EIS_NOA-English.pdf)

Given that I had planned on spending today (4/24) and the entire week-end (total 3 days) reviewing this material, I am respectfully requesting that the Board direct staff to extend the comment period by at least 3 days.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Roland Lebrun



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April 27, 2020

The Honorable Anna E. Eshoo  
U.S. House of Representatives  
202 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Eshoo:

On behalf of the Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board (Caltrain), I write to personally thank you for your recent outreach to the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) to help ensure emergency transit funding is distributed in a fair and expeditious manner.

Caltrain is truly grateful for the funding that was provided to Bay Area transit agencies in the CARES Act. Since the region-wide "Shelter-in-Place" order went into effect last month, we have experienced steep declines in ridership and farebox revenue. This trend is expected to continue or even worsen while the order is in effect. As such, we have been forced to make significant reductions in services.

We are encouraged that initial funding from MTC will help ease the impact of our immediate revenue losses and avoid employee layoffs, while also accounting for anticipated future losses. However, as the pandemic continues to financially strain our agency, the second stream of funding will be critical for Caltrain, our employees, and the riders depending on the essential service we provide.

We will keep your office updated on our conversations with MTC, in the hopes that the second round of funding will also be distributed equitably to transit agencies across the region.

Thank you again for your continued support. We truly appreciate all of your efforts and willingness to help.

Sincerely,

Jim Hartnett  
Executive Director

*Anna  
Thank you so  
much  
Best  
Over*

Cc: Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board of Directors

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