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PROJECT OVERVIEW

Over the last decade, Caltrain has experienced a substantial increase in ridership and anticipates further increases in ridership demand as the Bay Area’s population grows. Caltrain Electrification, scheduled to be operational by 2022, will electrify and upgrade the performance, operating efficiency, capacity, safety and reliability of Caltrain’s commuter rail service.

Caltrain electrification is a key component of the Caltrain Modernization Program and consists of replacing diesel-hauled trains with electric trains for service between Fourth and King Street Station in San Francisco and the Tamien Station in San Jose. The project will include the installation of new electrical infrastructure and the purchase of electric vehicles.

CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES

In December 2017, Caltrain began performing work along the railroad corridor in San Jose.

The activities during this time included locating underground utilities, testing soil conditions, inspecting signal/communication equipment, potholing, and pruning/removing trees in preparation for the installation and operation of the Overhead Contact System that will power electric trains.

FOUNDATION INSTALLATION

Foundation work is expected to begin in spring 2018 and continue over the duration of 3-5 months. Activities for the foundation construction will include excavation, placement of rebar, concrete fill and electrical grounding. Foundations are typically spaced 180 feet apart along the corridor and crews can complete a total of 2-6 foundations per night.

WORK HOURS

Work will take place during the day and at night, with night work occurring between 8 p.m. and 6 a.m. There may be occasional 24-hour work on weekends. Caltrain will work with contractors to minimize night work to limit the impact to surrounding communities; however, some work must be performed at night in order to maintain regular Caltrain service. To mitigate noise and other impacts during night and weekend activities, the field team will use acoustical noise barrier blankets and will position lights away from residential and business areas. Caltrain has established a dedicated project hotline and email for residents concerned about these potential impacts.

PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICE

Caltrain has established a project information line and project e-mail for Caltrain Electrification to record and respond to questions and comments from residents and stakeholders.

The project information line can be reached at 650.399.9659 or toll free at 800.660.4287

The project e-mail is calmod@caltrain.com

In addition, Caltrain has established a community outreach office at:

2121 S. El Camino Real
Suite A-100
San Mateo, CA 94403

A project representative will be available to answer questions in person from 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Mondays through Fridays during construction.

Sign up for weekly construction updates at: www.calmod.org/get-involved

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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WORK AREA