BACKGROUND

The Sacramento Regional Transit District (RT) initiated the South Sacramento Corridor Study after identifying Light Rail Transit (LRT) as the Locally Preferred Alternative (LPA) to accommodate transportation needs in southern Sacramento. South Line Phase 1, between downtown Sacramento south of Broadway to Meadowview Road, opened in September 2003 and is now carrying over 13,600 riders per weekday (significantly more riders than originally projected). RT is currently looking at expanding the South Line light rail system approximately four miles from the Phase 1 terminus at Meadowview Road to Cosumnes River College. Light rail will help serve the region’s growing population by providing reliable service, reducing automobile congestion, and decreasing air polluting emissions.

PROJECT STATUS

The draft environmental document for the South Sacramento Corridor Phase 2 (SSCP2) project will be released for public review in winter 2004/05 and will be followed by a public review/comment period during which a public hearing will be held.

RECENT PROJECT CHANGES

In April 2004, RT made various changes to the South Sacramento Corridor Phase 2 Project (SSCP2) to accommodate comments from the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) regarding land use and station accessibility. To address comments from FTA, the agency responsible for approving and funding new and expanded transit systems, RT is considering the following project changes:

- Additional station at Morrison Creek
- Optional pedestrian access to the Morrison Creek Station via Ruiz Court
- Optional Pedestrian access to the Franklin Station via Deer Lake Drive and Valley Green Drive
- Elimination of various design options

As originally defined, the SSCP2 project also included a station at Calvine/Auberry. Because of increased project costs from adding a new station at Morrison Creek and improving pedestrian access, RT has identified Cosumnes River College as the end-point or “terminus” of the SSCP2 project. It should be noted that re-designating the Phase 2 terminus at Cosumnes River College does not preclude an extension to Calvine/Auberry in the future. Options for extending the light rail system east over Highway 99 to Calvine/Auberry and/or south down Bruceville Road as part of Phase 3 will be thoroughly evaluated as part of a future, federally designated Alternatives Analysis study.

Establishing the Phase 2 terminus at Cosumnes River College allows RT to include the project refinements, while reducing the project’s overall cost by approximately $28 million. Currently, some 160 projects nationwide (at a cost of $60 billion) will be submitting applications to FTA and competing for only $8 billion in funding. Making South Line Phase 2 more cost effective by reducing the project cost and increasing ridership (through improved access) is expected to greatly increase the projects chances of obtaining federal funds.

Comments?
Please contact Regional Transit staff at (916) 491-5003 or visit the project web site at www.slp2.org or RT’s web site at www.sacrt.com
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Proposed Project Changes under Consideration

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**SOUTH SACRAMENTO CORRIDOR PHASE 2 STUDY**

**PUBLIC MEETINGS**

**Monday, November 15, 2004**
Union House
Elementary School Multipurpose Room
7850 Deer Creek Drive
Sacramento, CA 95831

Open House
6:30 - 7:15 PM
Presentation
7:15 PM
Question & Answer
7:30 - 8:30 PM

**Lunes, 15 de noviembre, 2004**
Union House
Elementary School
Salón de Uso Múltiple
7850 Deer Creek Drive
Sacramento, CA 95831

Reunión
6:30 - 7:15 PM
Presentación
7:15 PM
Sesión de Preguntas y Respuestas
7:30 - 8:30 PM

**Wednesday, November 17, 2004**
Valley High School
Theater Room
6300 Ehrhardt Avenue
Sacramento, CA 95823

Open House
6:00 - 6:45 PM
Presentation
6:45 PM
Question & Answer
7:00 - 8:00 PM

**Miércoles, 17 de noviembre, 2004**
Valley High School
Salón del Teatro
6300 Ehrhardt Avenue
Sacramento, CA 95823

Reunión
6:00 - 6:45 PM
Presentación
6:45 PM
Sesión de Preguntas y Respuestas
7:00 - 8:00 PM

**Public Open House**

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**Reuniones Con Invitación Abierta**
Le invitamos a hablar con el personal técnico y revisar información acerca del proyecto y recientes cambios del proyecto durante una reunión de información con invitación abierta. Interpretación de español y mong será provista. Las dos reuniones presentarán la misma información.

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**COMING SOON:** Public Review Period for Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement/Subsequent Environmental Impact Report