



Appendix F Assembly Bill 52 Consultation Documentation



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May 19, 2021

RE: Summary of Assembly Bill 52 Native American Consultation in Support of the Stockton Diamond Grade Separation Project, City of Stockton, San Joaquin County, California

The San Joaquin Regional Rail Commission (SJRRRC), on behalf of the California High Speed Rail Authority under assignment by the Federal Railroad Administration, is proposing the Stockton Diamond Grade Separation Project (Stockton Diamond Project or Project) to improve operational efficiency at the at-grade crossing of the Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) and BNSF Railway (BNSF) freight lines (Stockton Diamond or Diamond) in the City of Stockton, San Joaquin County, California (Attachment A: Figure 1). The northern Project limit connects to the existing UPRR tracks between Main and Weber Streets. The southern Project limit is the UPRR Stockton Yard. Two BNSF mail line tracks run east to west through the proposed Project. The area is depicted on the United States Geological Survey (USGS) *Stockton West* 7.5-minute quadrangle (Attachment A: Figure 2). In support of Assembly Bill (AB), Native American consultation was conducted by the SJRRRC.

Methods

In support of AB 52 consultation for the Project, Paleo Solutions, Inc. requested a Sacred Lands File (SLF) search from the Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC) on May 8, 2020 to identify sensitive or sacred Native American resources that could be affected by the proposed Project. The NAHC responded on May 12, 2020 and reported that the search of the SLF revealed positive results for the relevant United States Geological Survey quadrangles. No additional information on the location or nature of the positive finding was provided; however, the NAHC recommended that the North Valley Yokuts Tribe be contacted for more information. Because the search does not include an exhaustive list of Native American cultural resources, the NAHC provided a list of two Native American tribal organizations who may have direct knowledge of cultural resources in or near the Project:

- North Valley Yokuts Tribe - Katherine Perez
- The Confederated Villages of Lisjan - Corrina Gould

Outreach letters were sent to tribal governments providing information about the Project and seeking input from the tribal community. Formal government-to-government consultation with tribal governments was initiated in November 2020. Copies of all correspondence to date is provided in Attachment B.

Results

As a result of the outreach efforts, two tribes have elected to become Consulting Parties for the Project. A summary of Native American outreach to date is presented in Table 1, below.

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Table 1 Consultation Summary Table

Recipient	Response
<p>Katherine Perez North Valley Yokuts Tribe</p>	<p>November 9, 2020: Request to initiate AB 52 consultation sent by certified mail.</p> <p>December 21, 2020: Request to initiate Section 106 consultation sent by certified mail.</p> <p>November 22, 2020: A letter was received from Chairperson Perez initiating consultation.</p> <p>January 28, 2021: A consultation call was held between Ms. Perez, CHSRA, and the SJJRC. In attendance were Kathy Perez (North Valley Yokuts Tribe), Brett Rushing (CHSRA), Amy MacKinnon (CHSRA), Dan McKell (CHSRA), David Ripperda (SJRRRC), Kevin Sheridan (SJRRRC), Jelica Arsenijevic (HDR), Michael Higgins (HDR), and Liz Denniston (Paleo Solutions, Inc.).</p> <p>Mr. Higgins began the call by outlining the purpose and need for the Stockton Diamond Grade Separation Project (Project). He explained the various planned ground disturbing activities, including at-grade excavation in order to shift the existing tracks between Weber Avenue and Lafayette Street, flyover structure foundations, and retaining wall and embankments. The at-grade excavations will be shallow and confined to fill material, the flyover structure foundation could extend to a depth of 100 feet (depending on the geotechnical investigations), and the retaining wall and embankment columns would extend to a depth of 25-35 feet.</p> <p>Ms. Perez outlined her connection to the area, stating that she can trace her lineage in the area to the 1700s through genealogical records. She stated that, while there are no known resources within the Project limits, there are several known Native American burials within the Project vicinity. Historic-era construction activities in the area have disturbed several burials, which were simply pushed aside and not properly recovered and reinterred. The historic-era alteration of the Mormon Slough was also a concern, since it may now be closer to, or intersect, village sites within the area.</p> <p>Ms. Perez requested that certain mitigation measures (MMs) be implemented to ensure proper treatment of any inadvertent discoveries. These include: archaeological and tribal cultural resource training for all personnel working on the Project, outlined steps to be implemented should inadvertent discoveries be encountered, and archaeological and Native American monitoring during all ground disturbing activities.</p> <p>As a result of the meeting, Mr. Higgins will provide Ms. Perez additional Project renderings depicting ground disturbance and related excavation depths in greater detail. Additionally, a copy of the cultural resource assessment will be provided to Ms. Perez for review, once the draft is finalized.</p> <p>February 9, 2021: An email containing Project construction figures was sent to Ms. Perez. It was requested that Ms. Perez send additional questions or comments, if any.</p> <p>February 18, 2021: Ms. Perez replied, stating that they do not have any additional information at this time. She reiterated that, as explain in the consultation meeting, the Tribe feels that the proposed Project will yield more inadvertent burials than what is already known and it is their strong recommendation that a tribal monitor from the North Valley Yokuts Tribe be present during ground disturbance.</p>



Recipient	Response
	<p>April 29, 2021: A letter providing the proposed mitigation measures was sent to Ms. Perez via certified mail and email, requesting review and concurrence.</p> <p>May 11, 2021: Ms. Perez called Ms. Denniston stating that the North Valley Yokuts Tribe concurs with the measures as described in the April 29, 2021, letter. A follow up email stating concurrence was sent by Ms. Perez to Ms. Denniston.</p>
Corrina Gould The Confederated Villages of Lisjan	<p>November 9, 2020: Rrequest to initiate AB 52 consultation sent by certified mail.</p> <p>December 21, 2020: Request to initiate Section 106 consultation sent by certified mail.</p> <p>December 16, 2020: A letter was received from Chairperson Gould initiating consultation.</p> <p>February 5, 2021: A consultation call was held between the Confederated Villages of Lisjan, CHSRA, and the SJJRC. In attendance were Corrina Gould (Ms. Gould; The Confederated Villages of Lisjan), Deja Gould (The Confederated Villages of Lisjan), Cha-tah Ellem (The Confederated Villages of Lisjan), Brett Rushing (CHSRA), Amy MacKinnon (CHSRA), Dan McKell (CHSRA), David Ripperda (SJRRRC), Kevin Sheridan (SJRRRC), Jelica Arsenijevic (HDR), Michael Higgins (HDR), and Liz Denniston (Paleo Solutions, Inc.).</p> <p>Mr. Higgins began the call by outlining the purpose and need for the Stockton Diamond Grade Separation Project (Project). He explained the various planned ground disturbing activities, including at-grade excavation in order to shift the existing tracks between Weber Avenue and Lafayette Street, flyover structure foundations, and retaining wall and embankments. The at-grade excavations will be shallow and confined to fill material, the flyover structure foundation could extend to a depth of 100 feet (depending on the geotechnical investigations), and the retaining wall and embankment columns would extend to a depth of 25-35 feet.</p> <p>Ms. Gould stated that their main concern was the Mormon Slough area. She requested the depth of fill in the area and how design features would impact the area. Mr. Higgins stated that certain feature designs can be altered to help span the slough. Ms. Gould stated that there is a mound area within the Project vicinity. The area may have been impacted by previous construction activities, but it is still of high concern.</p> <p>Mr. Higgins showed a visual of the slough area and stated that while the location is firm, the exact method of construction is unknown. Ms. Gould was concerned about the overall Project footprint in the area and requested the depth of construction activities at the slough area. Mr. Higgins stated that he will provide a birds-eye view of the Project area at the slough. Ms. Gould stated that she would look over the visuals and provide any additional comments soon.</p> <p>February 9, 2021: An email containing Project construction figures was sent to Ms. Gould. It was requested that Ms. Gould send additional questions or comments, if any.</p> <p>February 18, 2021: A follow-up email was sent to Ms. Gould requesting any additional questions or comments, if any.</p>



Recipient	Response
	<p>February 24, 2021: Ms. Gould emailed stating that the Tribe does not have any additional questions or comments at this time.</p> <p>April 29, 2021: A letter providing the proposed mitigation measures was sent to Ms. Gould via certified mail and email, requesting review and concurrence.</p> <p>May 12, 2021: A follow-up email was sent to Ms. Gould to ensure that she received the letter via certified mail and email. Her concurrence was again requested. Ms. Gould replied to the email requesting the modification of the measures to include both tribes for concurrent monitoring as opposed to alternating between tribes.</p> <p>May 17, 2021: The SJRRC agreed to modify the mitigation language to include a monitor from each Tribe during construction activities. A track changes document of the updated language was included. Her concurrence of the updated measures was requested.</p> <p>May 19, 2021: A follow-up phone call was made to Ms. Gould to ensure that she received the updated measures via email.</p> <p>No response to date.</p>

SUMMARY OF ASSEMBLY BILL 52 NATIVE AMERICAN CONSULTATION
STOCKTON DIAMOND GRADE SEPARATION PROJECT



Should you have any questions, please contact Liz Denniston at the contact information provided below.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Liz Denniston".

Liz Denniston
Archaeological Principal Investigator
Paleo Solutions, Inc.
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Attachment:

Attachment A: Figures

Attachment A: Native American Correspondence



ATTACHMENT A: PROJECT FIGURES



Figure 1 Project Vicinity

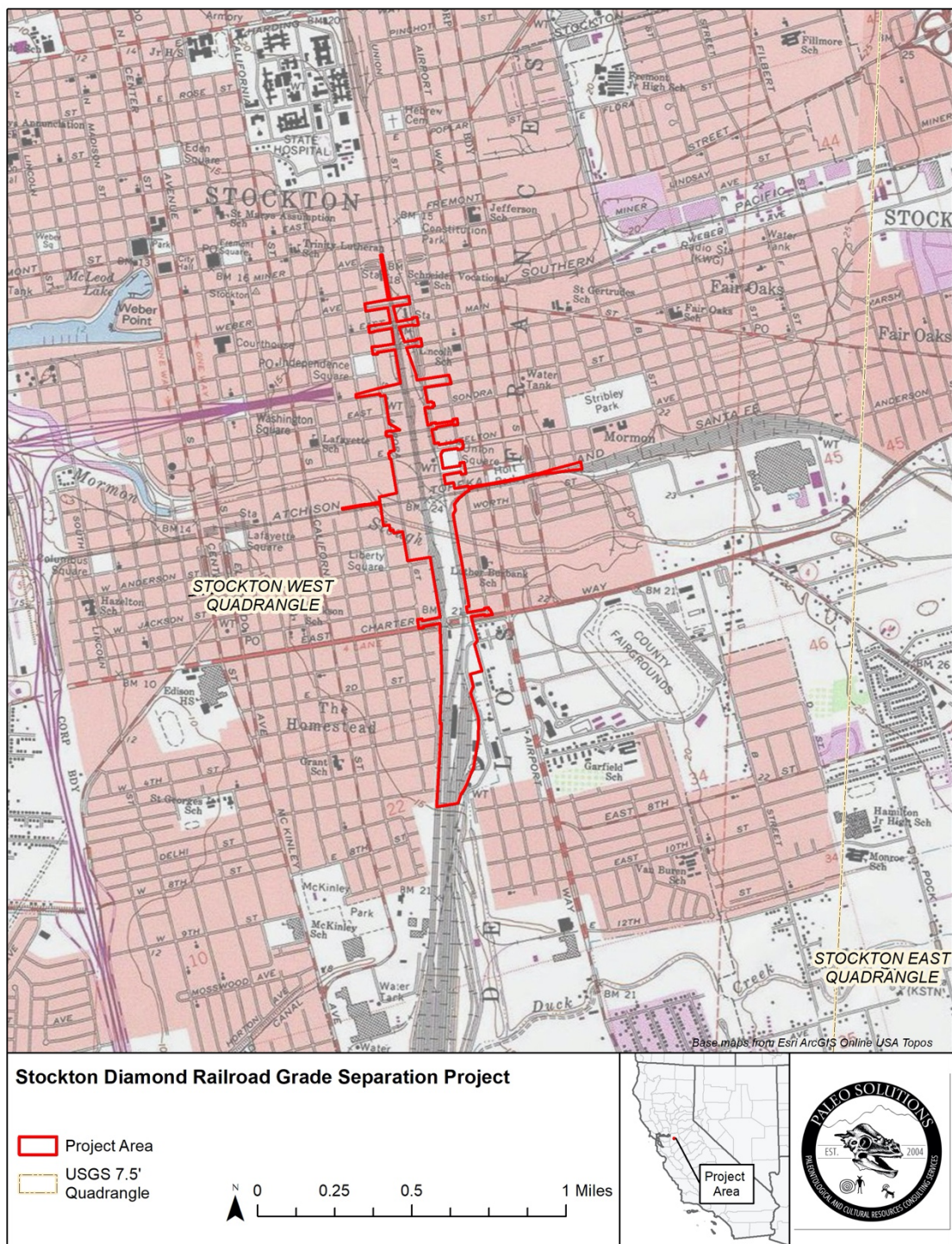


Figure 2 Project Location



ATTACHMENT B:

**NATIVE AMERICAN CONSULTATION
CORRESPONDENCE**



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May 12, 2020

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Paleo Solutions, Inc.

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Re: Stockton Diamond Grade Separation, San Joaquin County

Dear Ms. Denniston :

A record search of the Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC) Sacred Lands File (SLF) was completed for the information you have submitted for the above referenced project. The results were positive. Please contact the North Valley Yokuts Tribe on the attached list for more information. Other sources of cultural resources should also be contacted for information regarding known and recorded sites.

Attached is a list of Native American tribes who may also have knowledge of cultural resources in the project area. This list should provide a starting place in locating areas of potential adverse impact within the proposed project area. I suggest you contact all of those indicated; if they cannot supply information, they might recommend others with specific knowledge. By contacting all those listed, your organization will be better able to respond to claims of failure to consult with the appropriate tribe. If a response has not been received within two weeks of notification, the Commission requests that you follow-up with a telephone call or email to ensure that the project information has been received.

If you receive notification of change of addresses and phone numbers from tribes, please notify me. With your assistance, we can assure that our lists contain current information.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at my email address: Nancy.Gonzalez-Lopez@nahc.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

Nancy Gonzalez-Lopez
Cultural Resources Analyst
Attachment

**Native American Heritage Commission
Native American Contact List
San Joaquin County
5/12/2020**

North Valley Yokuts Tribe

Katherine Perez, Chairperson
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Costanoan
Northern Valley
Yokut

***The Confederated Villages of
Lisjan***

Corrina Gould, Chairperson
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cvltribe@gmail.com

Bay Miwok
Ohlone
Delta Yokut

This list is current only as of the date of this document. Distribution of this list does not relieve any person of statutory responsibility as defined in Section 7050.5 of the Health and Safety Code, Section 5097.94 of the Public Resource Section 5097.98 of the Public Resources Code.

This list is only applicable for contacting local Native Americans with regard to cultural resources assessment for the proposed Stockton Diamond Grade Separation, San Joaquin County.



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November 9, 2020

Ms. Katherine Perez
Chairperson
North Valley Yokuts Tribe
P.O. Box 717
Linden, CA 95236

Re: Invitation to Consult under Assembly Bill (AB) 52 for the Stockton Diamond Grade Separation Project, San Joaquin County, California

Dear Ms. Perez,

The San Joaquin Regional Rail Commission (SJRRRC), on behalf of the California High Speed Rail Authority (CHSRA) under assignment by the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA), is proposing the Stockton Diamond Grade Separation Project (proposed Project) to improve operational efficiency at the at-grade crossing of the Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) and BNSF Railway (BNSF) freight lines (Stockton Diamond or Diamond) in the city of Stockton, San Joaquin County, California.

Please consider this letter and preliminary project information as formal notification of the proposed Project as required under the California Environmental Quality Act, specifically Public Resources Code (PRC) 21080.3.1 and Chapter 532 Statutes of 2014 (i.e., AB 52). Please respond within 30 days, pursuant to PRC 21080.3.1(d) if you would like to consult on this project and provide a designated lead contact person.
Project Location and Setting

The proposed Project is located in the city of Stockton in San Joaquin County, California (see Attachment A: Project Overview Maps). The northern Project limit connects to the existing UPRR tracks between Main and Weber Streets. The southern Project limit is the UPRR Stockton Yard. Two BNSF main line tracks run east to west through the proposed Project area. The study limit generally reaches to Stanislaus Street in the west and to Pilgrim Street in the east.
Project Description

Substantial freight movements between the Port of Stockton and points east, north, and south must pass through the Stockton Diamond. The at-grade nature of the Diamond is an operational constraint that results in delays to the regional rail network where these two heavily traveled rail lines intersect. The proposed Project would construct a flyover structure to provide the vertical clearance required by both railroads to grade separate the existing crossing of the UPRR and BNSF tracks at the Diamond. It is anticipated that UPRR long-haul freight service and current Amtrak and Altamont Commuter Express (ACE) rail services would use the new flyover tracks during operations.



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11/25/2020

Paleo Solutions Mail - AB52 Stockton Diamond Grade Separation



Liz Denniston <liz@paleosolutions.com>

AB52 Stockton Diamond Grade Separation

1 message

Katherine Perez <canutes@verizon.net>
Reply-To: Katherine Perez <canutes@verizon.net>
To: "liz@paleosolutions.com" <liz@paleosolutions.com>

Sun, Nov 22, 2020 at 6:27 PM

Hello Liz

November 22, 2020

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RE: AB 52 Consultation Request for the Proposed [Stockton](#) Diamond Grade Separation Project, San Joaquin County, California

Dear Liz Dennison,

Northern Valley Yokuts Tribe and Nototomne Cultural Preservation received a letter from San Joaquin Regional Rail Commission dated November 9, 2020, formally notifying us of a proposed project, the Stockton Diamond Grade Separation Project, in The City of Stockton, San Joaquin County and an opportunity to consult under AB 52. This letter is notice that Northern Valley Yokuts Tribe and Nototomne Cultural Preservation would like to initiate consultation under AB 52.

We would like to discuss the topics listed in Cal. Public Resources Code section 21080.3.2(a), including the type of environmental review to be conducted for the project; project alternatives; the project's significant effects; and mitigation measures for any direct, indirect, or cumulative impacts the project may cause to tribal cultural resources. As consultation progresses, we may also wish to discuss design options that would avoid impacts to tribal cultural resources; the scope of any environmental document that is prepared for the project; pre-project surveys; and tribal cultural resource identification, significance evaluations and culturally-appropriate treatment.

This letter is also a formal request to allow Northern Valley Yokuts Tribe and Nototomne Cultural Preservation tribal representatives to observe and participate in all cultural resource surveys, including initial pedestrian surveys for the project. Please send us all existing cultural resource assessments, as well as requests for, and the results of, any records searches that may have been conducted prior to our first consultation meeting. If tribal cultural resources are identified within the project area, it is our policy that tribal monitors must be present for all ground disturbing activities. Finally, please be advised that our strong preference is to preserve tribal cultural resources in place and avoid them whenever possible. Subsurface testing and data recovery must not occur without first consulting with and receiving written consent from Northern Valley Yokuts Tribe and Nototomne Cultural Preservation.

In the letter you are identified as the lead contact person for consultation on the proposed project. I will be our point of contact for this consultation. Please contact me by phone 209.649.8972 or email at canutes@verizon.net begin the consultation process.

Thank you for involving Northern Valley Yokuts Tribe and Nototomne Cultural Preservation in the planning process at an early stage. We ask that you make this letter a part of the project record and we look forward to working with you to ensure that tribal cultural resources are protected.

Sincerely,

Katherine Erolinda Perez, Chairwoman

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Liz Denniston <liz@paleosolutions.com>

Re: AB52 Stockton Diamond Grade Separation

1 message

Liz Denniston <liz@paleosolutions.com>

Tue, Dec 15, 2020 at 4:28 PM

To: Katherine Perez <canutes@verizon.net>

Cc: David Ripperda <davidr@acerail.com>, Kevin Sheridan <Kevin@acerail.com>

Hello, Ms. Perez.

Thank you for reaching out to initiate the consultation process under AB 52. Your request for consultation is being honored and the San Joaquin Regional Rail Commission will be in touch in the coming weeks to schedule a meeting.

Wishing you a happy holiday season.

Liz Denniston, MA, RPA Archaeological Principal Investigator, Paleo Solutions, Inc.

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Address: 911 S. Primrose Ave., Unit N., Monrovia, CA 91016

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Sincerely,

Katherine Erolinda Perez, Chairwoman



Liz Denniston <liz@paleosolutions.com>

Re: Stockton Diamond Grade Separation Project

1 message

Liz Denniston <liz@paleosolutions.com>
To: Katherine Perez <canutes@verizon.net>

Thu, Jan 28, 2021 at 9:20 AM

Hi, Kathy.

Please see attached for one pdf providing an overview of the Project, and a second providing an overview of the records search and Sacred Lands file search results.

On the call we will have the California High Speed Rail Authority as the NEPA lead, the San Joaquin Regional Rail Commission as the CEQA lead, HDR as the Environmental Document preparers, and myself as the archaeologist.

Talk to you soon!

Liz Denniston, MA, RPA Archaeological Principal Investigator, Paleo Solutions, Inc.

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On Mon, Jan 25, 2021 at 9:43 AM Katherine Perez <canutes@verizon.net> wrote:

Hello Liz,
Please send information prior to our meeting.
Katherine Perez

Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 25, 2021, at 8:39 AM, Liz Denniston <liz@paleosolutions.com> wrote:

Thank you.

I will set up a call. Will you have video available for a shared screen, or would you prefer we send you some information prior to the meeting?

Liz Denniston, MA, RPA Archaeological Principal Investigator, Paleo Solutions, Inc.

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On Mon, Jan 25, 2021 at 8:08 AM Katherine Perez <canutes@verizon.net> wrote:

Hello Liz,

I would be available January 28th at 11:00

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Linden, CA 95236
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Sent from my iPhone

On Jan 23, 2021, at 10:01 PM, Liz Denniston <liz@paleosolutions.com> wrote:

Dear Ms. Perez,

I am assisting the San Joaquin Regional Rail Commission (SJRRRC) with AB 52 consultation and the California High Speed Rail Authority (CHSRA) with Section 106 consultation in support of the Stockton Diamond Grade Separation Project. On their behalf, I would like to arrange a consultation meeting.

Would you be available for one of the following times?

-Thursday, January 28: 11 am - 12 noon

-Friday, January 29: 9 - 10 am

Thank you,

Liz Denniston, MA, RPA Archaeological Principal Investigator, Paleo Solutions, Inc.

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Paleo Solutions Mail - Re: Stockton Diamond Grade Separation Project

2 attachments



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Stockton CR Summary_01262021.pdf
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Liz Denniston <liz@paleosolutions.com>

Stockton Diamond Project Consultation Notes

1 message

Liz Denniston <liz@paleosolutions.com>

Fri, Jan 29, 2021 at 3:22 PM

To: Kathy Perez <canutes@verizon.net>

Hi, Ms. Perez.

It was great to meet you yesterday. As discussed, attached you will find my notes of the consultation for your review. Please let me know of any edits or comments, and I will get this information into the cultural resources report.

Thanks, and have a great weekend.

Liz Denniston, MA, RPA Archaeological Principal Investigator, Paleo Solutions, Inc.

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**SJRRC Stockton Diamond Concept Exhibit- Tribal coordination follow up**

1 message

Liz Denniston <liz@paleosolutions.com>

Tue, Feb 9, 2021 at 3:57 PM

To: Kathy Perez <canutes@verizon.net>

Cc: "MacKinnon, Amy T@HSR" <Amy.MacKinnon@hsr.ca.gov>, "Rushing, Brett@HSR" <Brett.Rushing@hsr.ca.gov>, Kevin Sheridan <Kevin@acerail.com>, "LaFata, Catherine" <Cathy.LaFata@hdrinc.com>, "Arsenijevic, Jelica" <Jelica.Arsenijevic@hdrinc.com>, David Ripperda <davidr@acerail.com>, "HSR section106consultation@HSR" <section106consultation@hsr.ca.gov>, "Galvan, Heleana" <Heleana.Galvan@hdrinc.com>

Hello Ms. Perez,

Thank you again for taking the time to talk with our team regarding the Stockton Diamond Grade Separation. As a follow up to our call with you on Thursday, January, 28, below is an exhibit of the Stockton Diamond Grade Separation concept that was discussed. Note that, on this exhibit, north is at the left of the page. The Mormon Channel is shown on the exhibit for reference. As we noted on the call, the proposed new track alignment runs north-south approximately midway between Aurora and Pilgrim Streets.

Please review the exhibit and let us know if you have additional questions, or need additional information. Please provide our team with any clarifications or resources that would ultimately inform our design. We would appreciate any information you can share by Friday, February 19.

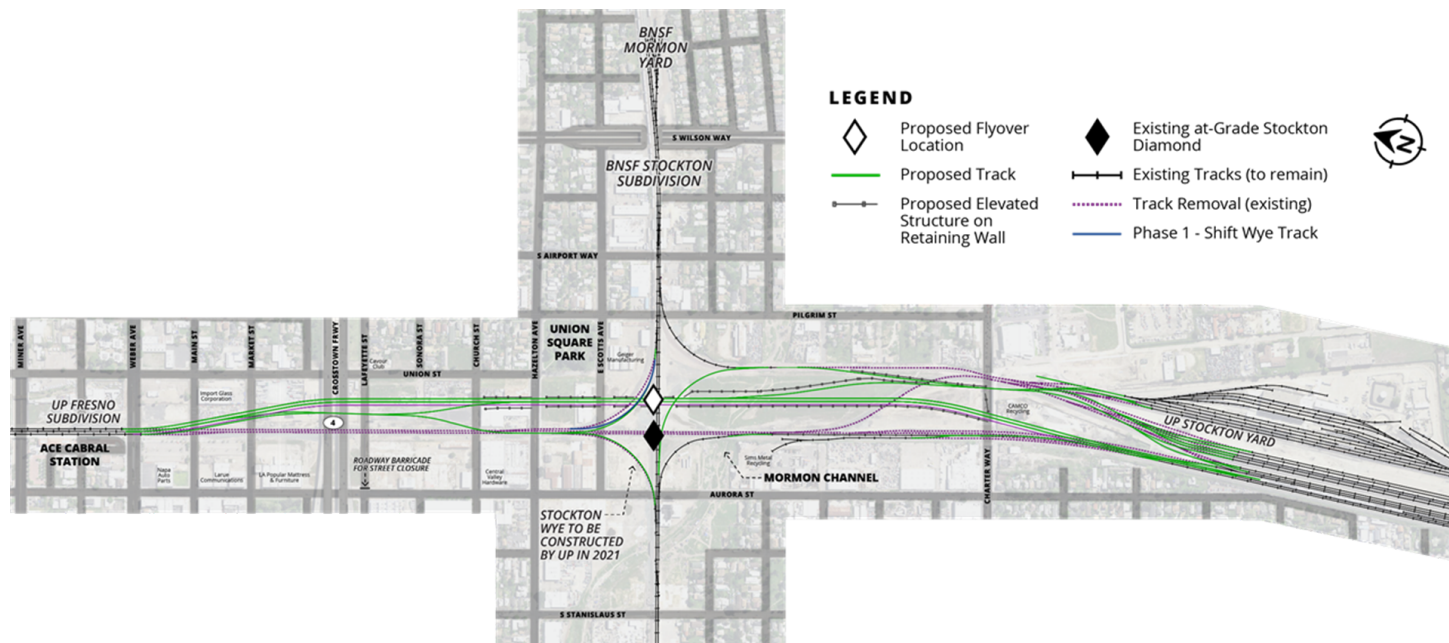
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Re: SJRRC Stockton Diamond Concept Exhibit- Tribal coordination follow up

1 message

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Thu, Feb 18, 2021 at 7:51 PM

Hello Liz,

We don't have any additional information at this time. As explain in the zoom meeting the Tribe feels that the proposed project will yield more inadvertent burials then what is already known and it is our strong recommendation to have our tribal monitor on board during ground disturbance.

Nototomne Cultural Preservation
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Sent: Thu, Feb 18, 2021 3:13 pm
Subject: Re: SJRRC Stockton Diamond Concept Exhibit- Tribal coordination follow up

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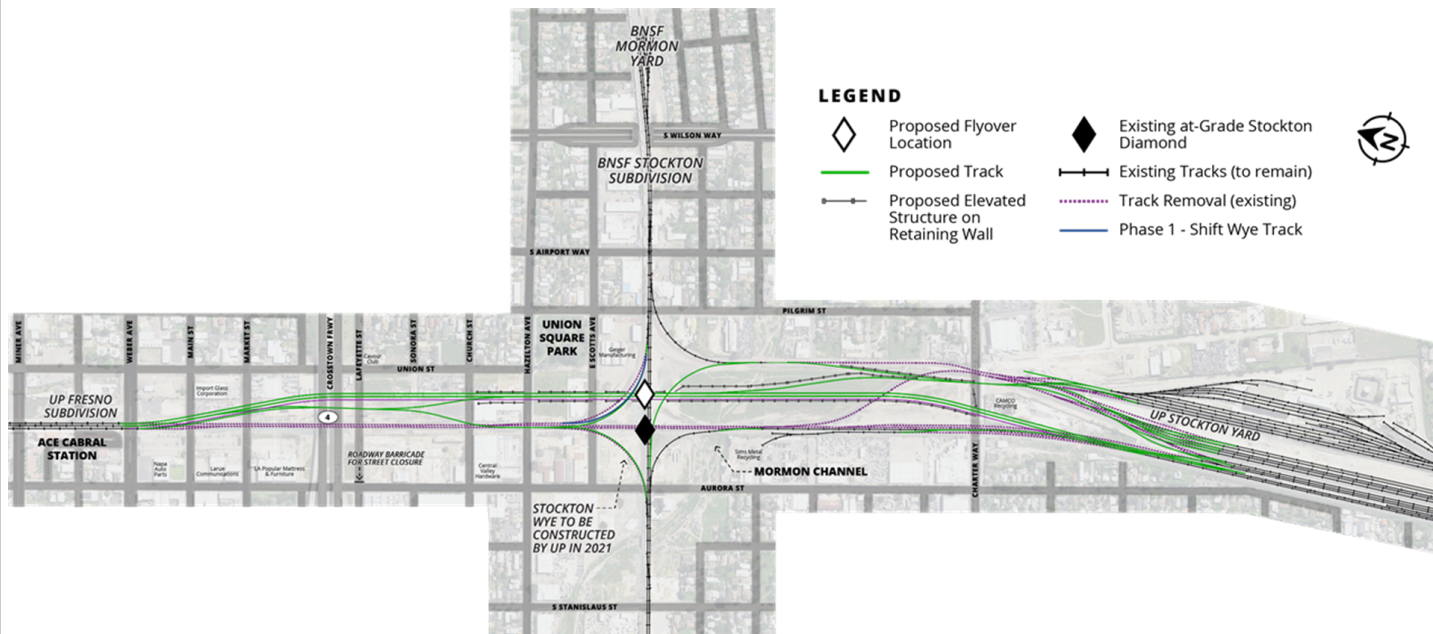
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**SJRRC Stockton Diamond Proposed Mitigation Measures**

1 message

Liz Denniston <liz@paleosolutions.com>

Thu, Apr 29, 2021 at 10:11 AM

To: Katherine Perez <canutes@verizon.net>, Kevin Sheridan <Kevin@acerail.com>, Catherine <Cathy.LaFata@hdrinc.com>, Jelica <Jelica.Arsenijevic@hdrinc.com>, David Ripperda <davidr@acerail.com>, Michael <Michael.Higgins@hdrinc.com>, "Adams, Cindy" <Cindy.Adams@hdrinc.com>, "Kung, Angie" <Angie.Kung@hdrinc.com>

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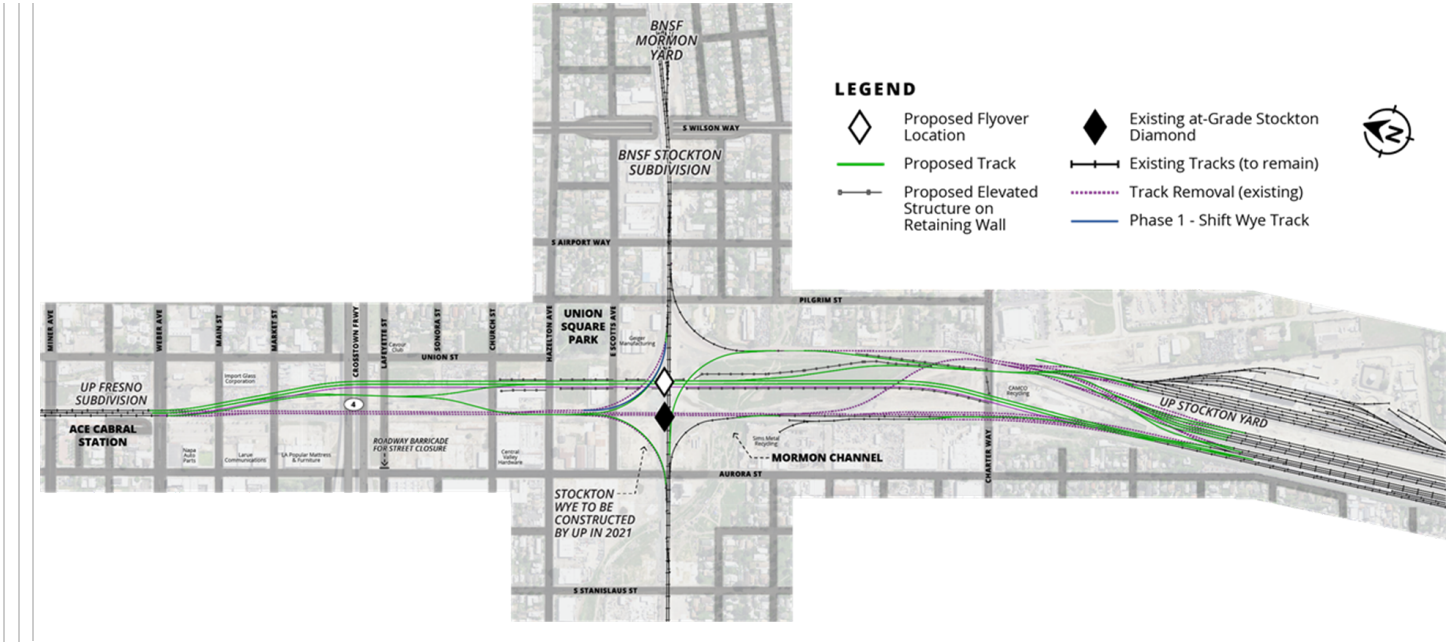
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1 message

Katherine Perez <canutes@verizon.net>
Reply-To: Katherine Perez <canutes@verizon.net>
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Tue, May 11, 2021 at 5:48 PM

Hello Liz,

The Northern Valley Yokut / Ohlone / Bay Mewuk Tribe concurs with the BMP's as described in the letter dated April 29, 2021 for the Proposed Mitigation Measures for the Stockton Diamond Grade Separation Project, in the San Joaquin County, California.

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Sent: Tue, May 11, 2021 5:40 pm
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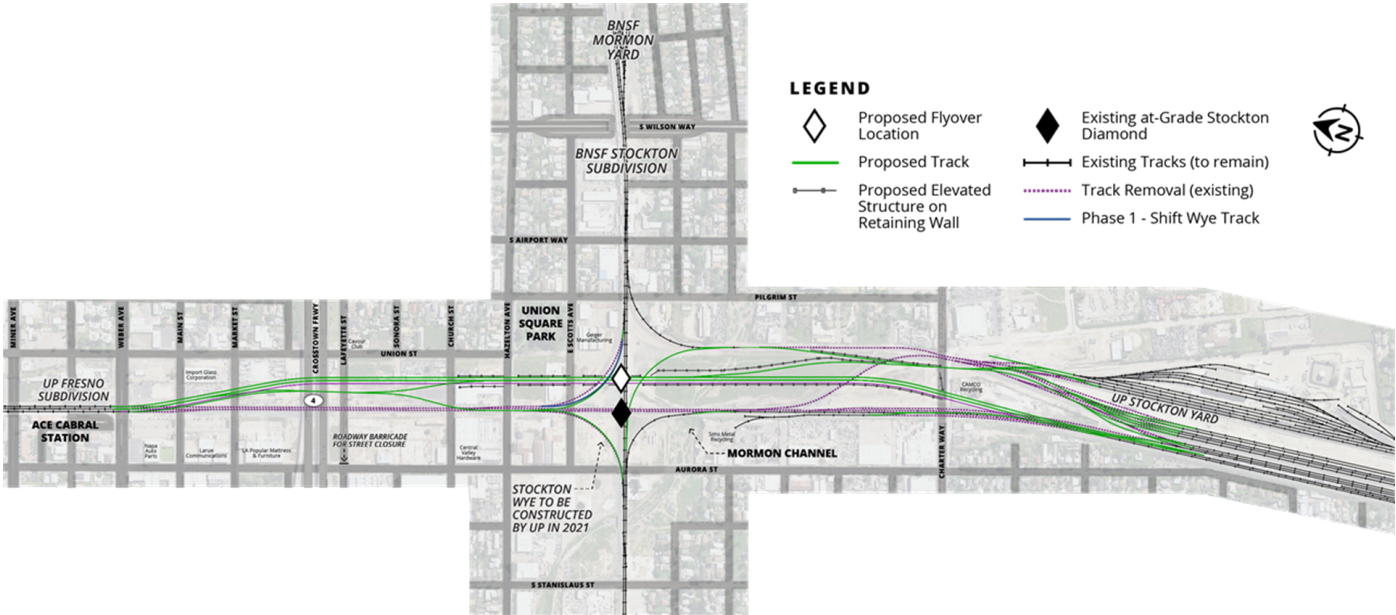
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November 9, 2020

Ms. Corrina Gould
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Re: Invitation to Consult under Assembly Bill (AB) 52 for the Stockton Diamond Grade Separation Project, San Joaquin County, California

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Paleo Solutions Mail - Stockton Diamond Grade Separation Project



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Stockton Diamond Grade Separation Project

1 message

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To: cvltribe@gmail.com

Mon, Dec 14, 2020 at 10:38 AM

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Paleo Solutions Mail - Re: Stockton Diamond Grade Separation Project



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Re: Stockton Diamond Grade Separation Project

1 message

Corrina Gould <cyltribe@gmail.com>
To: Liz Denniston <liz@paleosolutions.com>

Wed, Dec 16, 2020 at 12:01 PM

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Fri, Dec 18, 2020 at 1:47 PM

To: Corrina Gould <cvltribe@gmail.com>

Cc: David Ripperda <davidr@acerail.com>, Kevin Sheridan <Kevin@acerail.com>

Hello, Ms. Gould.

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Wishing you a happy holiday season.

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Re: Stockton Diamond Project - Section 106 consultation invitation

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Thu, Jan 21, 2021 at 11:13 AM

To: Amy.MacKinnon@hsr.ca.gov

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Summary of Sacred Lands File and Record Search Results

To initiate the identification of cultural resources that could be affected by the proposed Project, SJRRC requested a search of the Sacred Lands File (SLF) from the Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC) May 8, 2020. The NAHC responded on May 12, 2020 and reported the search of the SLF revealed positive results for the relevant USGS quadrangles. No additional information on the location or nature of the positive finding was provided; however, the NAHC recommended that we contact the North Valley Yokuts Tribe for more information.

A records search was conducted by the Central Coast Information Center at California University, Stanislaus. A total of 184 previously-documented resources were identified within 0.25 mile (402 m) of the proposed Project area. Of these, five (5) are historic-age sites, 178 are historic-age built environment resources, and one (1) is a locally-eligible historic district. The historic-age resources consist of three (3) refuse deposits, one (1) temporary detention camp for Japanese Americans, and the burial place of John Brown (Juan Flaco). Of the five (5) historic-age resources, one refuse deposit is within the proposed Project area and the burial place of John Brown (Juan Flaco) is located immediately adjacent to it. No prehistoric resources have been recorded within 0.25 mile of the Project area.

The Authority would appreciate any information you can provide regarding sensitive Native American cultural resources within or near the Project area. Identification of sensitive resources or other concerns early in the project planning process will ensure their consideration and protection to the maximum extent feasible.

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Sincerely,

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Please see attached for one pdf providing an overview of the Project, and a second providing an overview of the records search and Sacred Lands file search results.

On the call we will have the California High Speed Rail Authority as the NEPA lead, the San Joaquin Regional Rail Commission as the CEQA lead, HDR as the Environmental Document preparers, and myself as the archaeologist.

Talk to you soon!

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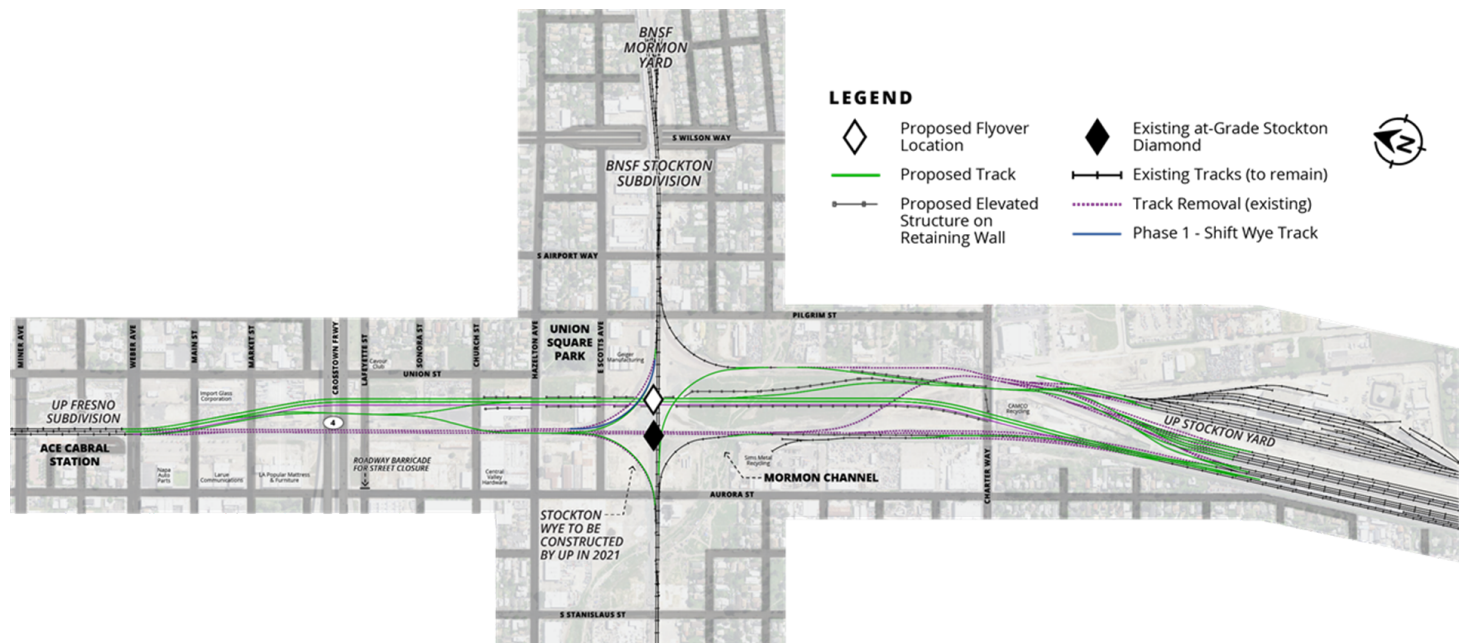
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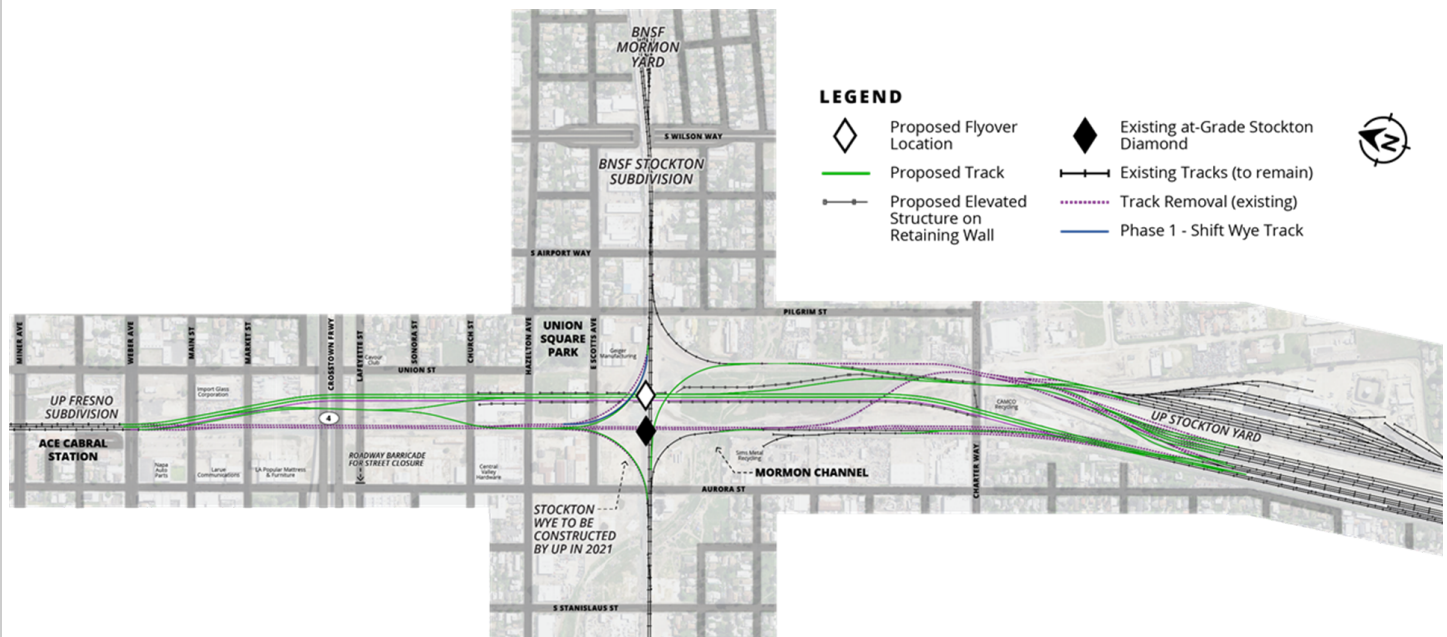
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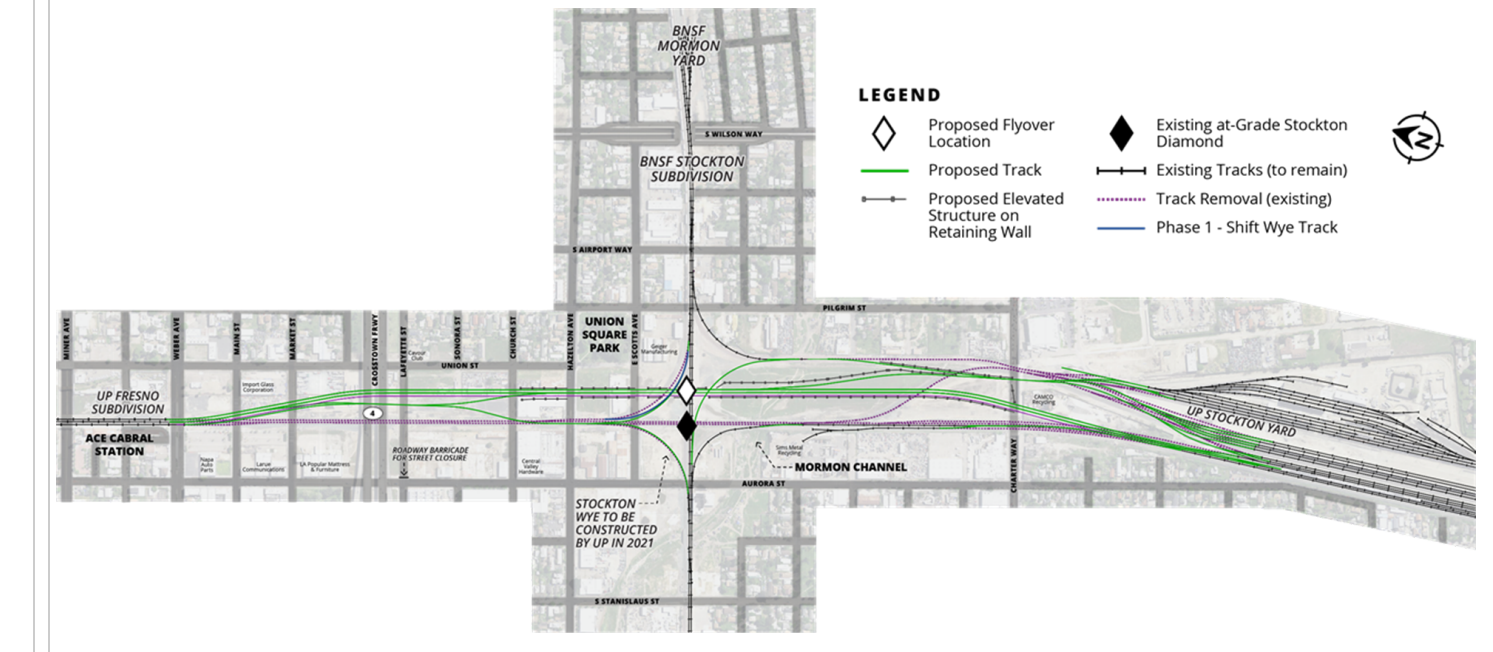
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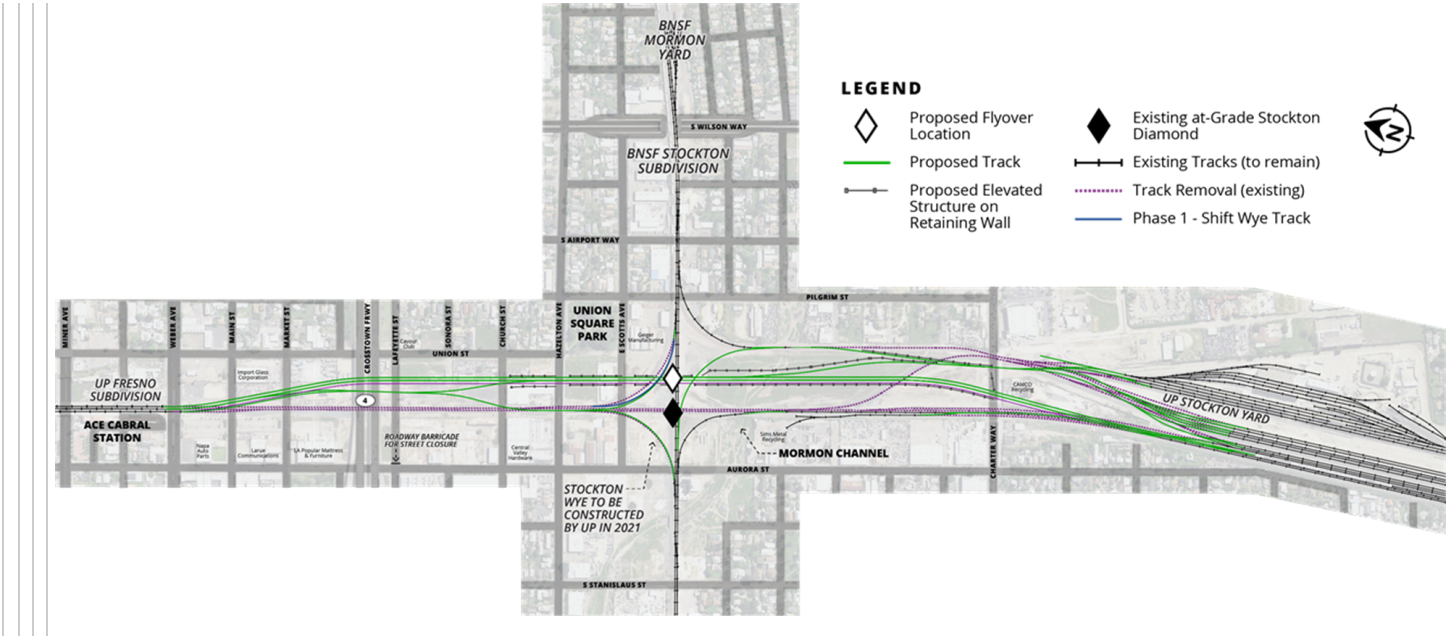
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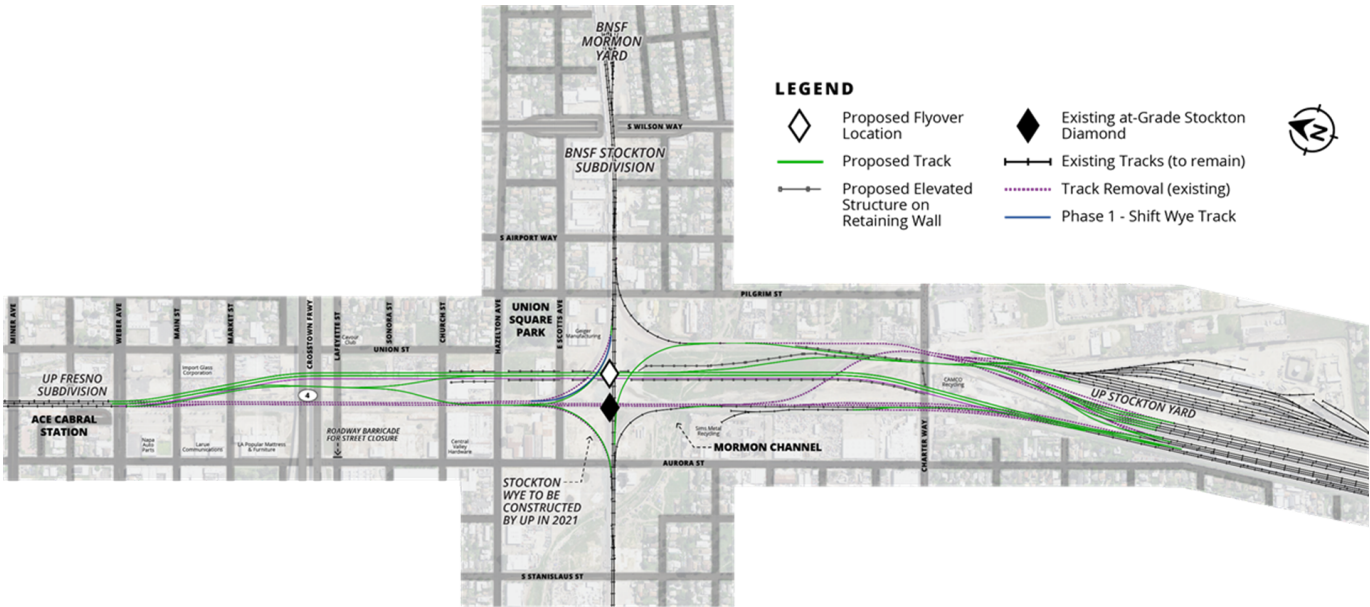
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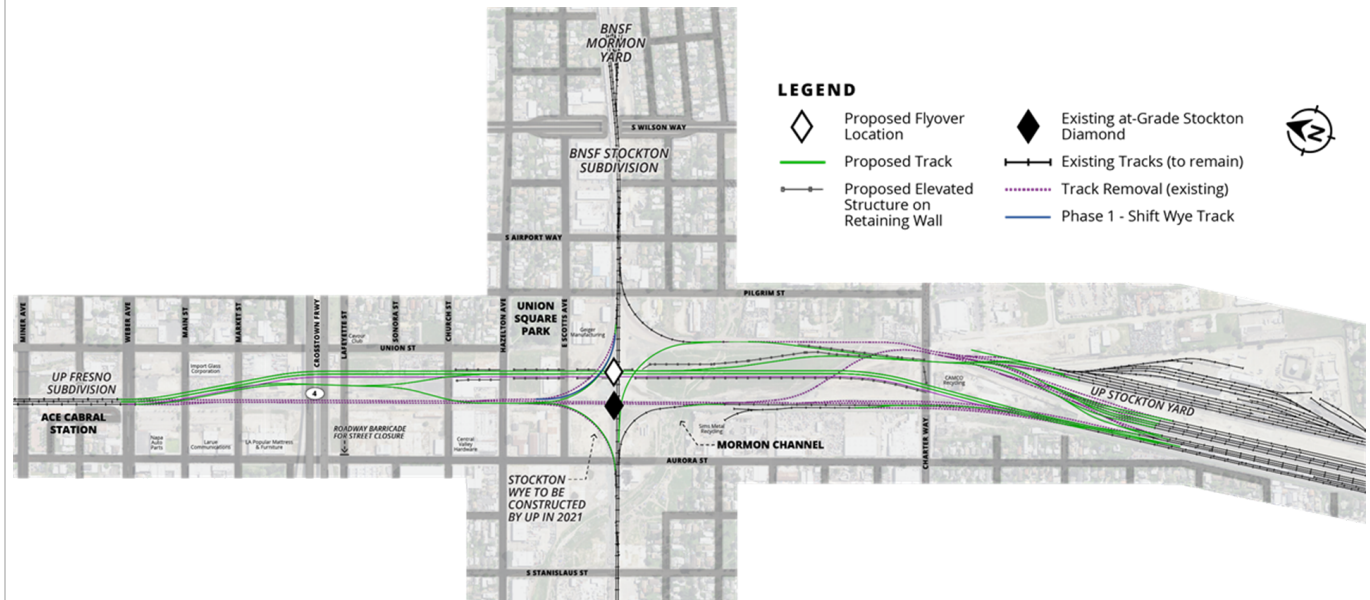
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Please let me know at your earliest convenience if you are comfortable with the updated language to ensure that the proper measures are incorporated into the environmental document.

Thank you!

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On Mon, May 17, 2021 at 11:57 AM Liz Denniston <liz@paleosolutions.com> wrote:
Hi, Ms. Gould.

The SJRRC has agreed to modify the mitigation language to include a monitor from each Tribe during construction activities. Please see the attached track changes document for the updated language. If this is acceptable, please let me know and we will ensure that the measures are updated in the environmental document.

Thank you,

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On Wed, May 12, 2021 at 10:22 AM Corrina Gould <cvltribe@gmail.com> wrote:
Dear Liz,

Thank you so much for getting back to the Tribe about this project. The Tribe is in agreement with the proposed mitigation plan with the exception of rotation of monitors on site during ground disturbing activities listed in BMP CUL-1. We do not see the necessity of having alternate Tribal Monitors. We are not in competition with one another, both Tribes are interested in protecting our cultural resources. Please let us know if you can change this one area of the mitigation plan.

'Uni (Respectfully),

Corrina Gould, Tribal Chair
Confederated Villages of Lisjan Tribe

On Thu, Apr 29, 2021 at 10:16 AM Liz Denniston <liz@paleosolutions.com> wrote:
Hi, Ms. Gould.

I hope you are doing well.

In response to your concerns raised during consultation, the San Joaquin Regional Rail Commission (SJRRC) proposes the attached Mitigation Measures (MMs) for the Project's Environmental Impact Report (EIR) and are requesting your input. Should you have any questions or comments regarding the attached MMs please do not hesitate to contact Kevin Sheridan (Kevin@acerail.com) or by phone at 209-944-6224) or myself (phone at 626- 205- 5444) within 30 days of the receipt of this letter. Should we not hear from you within 30 days, we will assume that you agree with the incorporation of these MMs into the EIR and will consider the AB 52 consultation process complete. Thereafter, we, or our designated representative, will coordinate with you regarding the schedule for construction monitoring.

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On Wed, Feb 24, 2021 at 1:52 PM Liz Denniston <liz@paleosolutions.com> wrote:
Thank you, Ms. Gould.

We appreciate your time and input.

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On Wed, Feb 24, 2021 at 12:57 PM Corrina Gould <cvltribe@gmail.com> wrote:
Hello Liz,

We apologize for the delayed response, this email somehow got away from us. Thank you so much for the follow up, the Tribe doesn't have anymore questions or comments at this time. If there is a time during this project where culturally sensitive items or remains are found please let us know. Thank you again.

'Uni (Respectfully),

Corrina Gould, Tribal Chair
Confederated Villages of Lisjan Tribe

On Thu, Feb 18, 2021 at 3:12 PM Liz Denniston <liz@paleosolutions.com> wrote:
Hi, Ms. Gould.

I'm checking in to see if you have additional questions, or need additional information, regarding the information provided below. If possible, please provide any comments you can by tomorrow afternoon.

Thank you,

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On Tue, Feb 9, 2021 at 3:54 PM Liz Denniston <liz@paleosolutions.com> wrote:

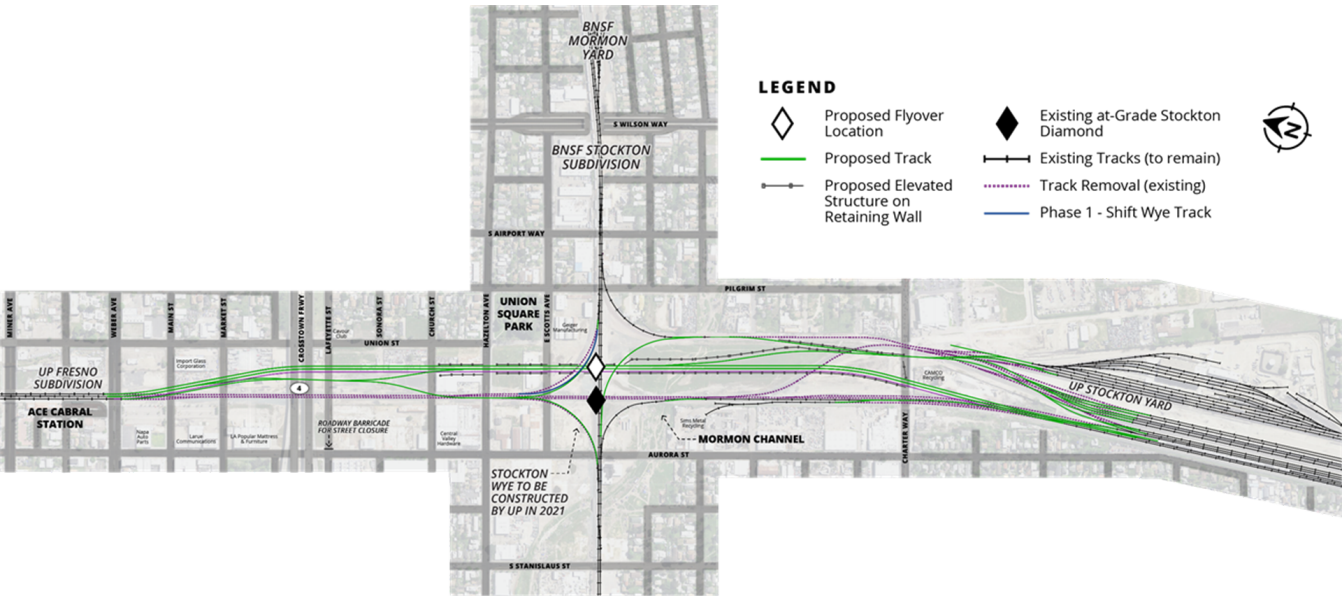
Hello Ms. Gould,

Thank you again for taking the time to talk with our team regarding the Stockton Diamond Grade Separation. As a follow up to our call with you on Friday, February 5, below is an exhibit of the Stockton Diamond Grade Separation concept that was discussed. Note that, on this exhibit, north is at the left of the page. The Mormon Channel is shown on the exhibit for reference. As we noted on the call, the proposed new track alignment runs north-south approximately midway between Aurora and Pilgrim Streets.

Please review the exhibit and let us know if you have additional questions, or need additional information. Please provide our team with any clarifications or resources that would ultimately inform our design. We would appreciate any information you can share by Friday, February 19.

Thank you,

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