

STOCKTON DIAMOND GRADE SEPARATION INFORMATIONAL HANDOUT



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*Unlocking Northern
California's Freight and
Passenger Rail Potential*

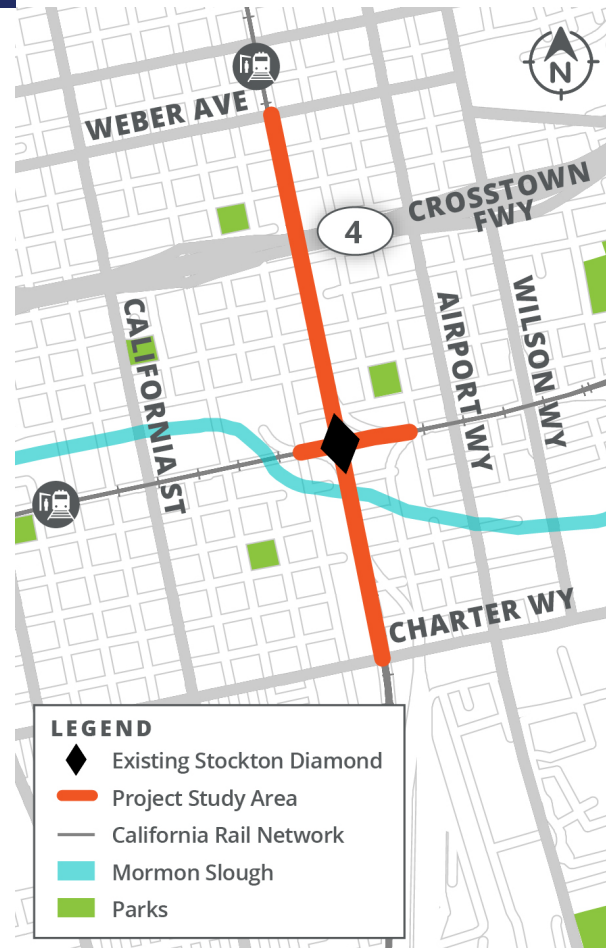
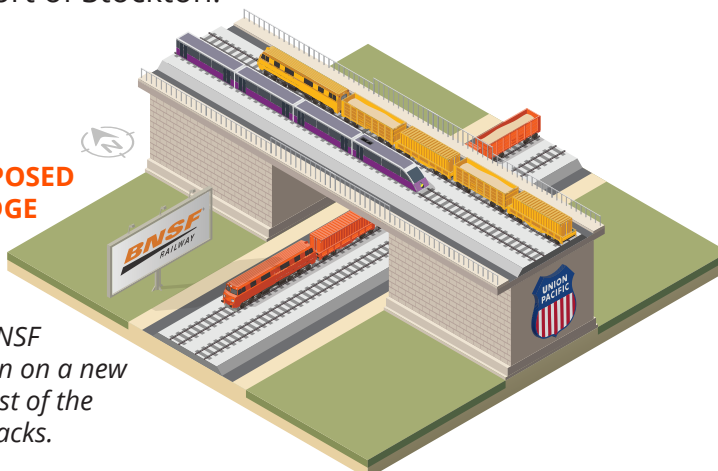
The Stockton Diamond Grade Separation Project is a critical element in the San Joaquin Regional Rail Commission's (SJRRC) and San Joaquin Joint Powers Authority's (SJJPA) vision to expand intercity and commuter rail service between the housing rich Central Valley and economic growth in the Bay Area, increasing the jobs to housing balance within the Northern California Megaregion. As our communities continue to grow and evolve, demands for increased goods and needed infrastructure for mobility continue to increase. Reliable travel options that link residents to jobs and other key destinations are critical as freeways and local roads become further congested.

Today, the tracks of two major railways intersect at-grade in the City of Stockton at what is called the Stockton Diamond. This rail intersection, located just south of Downtown Stockton near Aurora Street South and East Scotts Avenue is the **busiest, most congested rail bottleneck in California** resulting in significant congestion and delays to service that moves valuable goods and people throughout the Central Valley as well as freight out to the larger national network. The existing crossing impacts reliability and efficiency of freight and passenger rail services that operate on the same rail lines. Train backups also cause local delays at crossing and potential vehicle, rail, bike and pedestrian conflicts.







A collaboration between SJRRC and the private entities BNSF Railway (BNSF) and Union Pacific Railroad (UP) as well as regional partner agencies, **the project proposes to identify feasible concepts that will separate the two rail lines with a flyover bridge at the Stockton Diamond.** The grade separation will improve air quality and freight movement, reduce delays, decrease fuel consumption and improve freight access to the Port of Stockton.

CONCEPT 1: PROPOSED UP FLYOVER BRIDGE

Concept 1 places the UP Fresno Subdivision on a flyover above the BNSF Stockton Subdivision on a new alignment to the east of the existing mainline tracks.



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