



## Presentation to TJPA Board Caltrain Downtown Extension Overview and Update

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## Caltrain Downtown Extension Project

### Agenda:

- Preliminary Engineering (PE) Term 2 Update
  - Design Contract Task Progress
  - TTC / DTX Coordination and Interfaces
  - DTX Design Criteria
  - DTX Contract Packaging Strategy
  - Operator/Stakeholder Coordination
  - Progress Summary
  - Next Steps
- Program Development Summary





## Preliminary Engineering Term 2 Update



## Preliminary Engineering Term 2 Update

- Preliminary Engineering design ~ 40% complete
- Preliminary Engineering establishes and sets:
  - Alignment plan & profile
  - Structure size and location
  - Functionality
- Significant amount of work in progress – 30 subtasks
- Substantial Preliminary Engineering completion planned for Apr. 2010



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## Preliminary Engineering Term 2 Update (cont.)

- Design Contract Task Progress:
  - Task 5.3 – Precise Alignment
  - Task 5.5 – Traction Power Load Flow
  - Task 5.12 – 4<sup>th</sup>/Townsend Underground Caltrain Station
  - Task 6 – Geotechnical
  - Task 9.4 – Traffic Management Planning
  - Task 9.6 – Hazmat Studies



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## Task 5.5 Traction Power Load Flow

- Performed Simulations
  - Determines need for additional infrastructure (substation/paralleling station)
- Initial Simulations
  - Software calibration
- Caltrain Accepts Calibration
- Caltrain Agreed Input Parameters
- Final Simulations in Progress





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## Task 9.4 Traffic Management Planning

- Construction Traffic Management Report prepared and proposed:
  - Required traffic/lane closures and detours
  - Changes to on-street parking layout
  - Changes to Muni bus routes and stops
- Report findings presented to SFDPT and SFMTA
- Solutions for re-routing of Muni agreed in principle and being developed



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## Preliminary Engineering Term 2 Update (cont.)

- Design Reports & Coordination
  - TTC / DTX Coordination and Interfaces
  - DTX Design Criteria/Contract Package Strategy
  - Operator/Stakeholder Coordination:
    - Caltrain, CHSRA, SFFD, Caltrans, SFMTA



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## TTC/DTX Coordination & Interfaces

- Coordination meetings established between design teams
- TTC/DTX design interface
  - Top of rail elevation
  - Seismic compatibility
  - Integrated ventilation design



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## DTX Design Criteria

- Draft Criteria issued Aug. 2008
  - DTX design team, Caltrain, CHSRA and stakeholders
- Review comments resolved and incorporated as necessary
  - DTX Design Criteria Rev. A controlled copy Jan. 2009
- Additional comments to be addressed through errata/addenda/revision process





## DTX Contract Packaging Strategy

- Updated strategy report – Feb. 2009
- Reflects TJPA/PMPC/DTX design team/Caltrain agreement reached - Sept. 2008
- Identifies individual construction contracts
- Identifies how DTX contracts will be:
  - Sequenced
  - Procured
  - Managed during construction



## DTX Contract Packaging Strategy (cont.)

- Provides assessment of market conditions
  - Potential bidders
  - Climate – competing projects
- Provides strategy for maximizing bid competition
  - Contractor awareness through promotion of project
  - Contractor outreach
  - Presentations, workshops, round table discussions



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## Operators & Stakeholders

- CHSRA
  - MOU prepared and adopted by CHSRA Mar. 2009
  - Facilitates communications and collaboration
- Caltrans
  - Advance Planning Study submitted
  - Construction interfaces at I-80 and I-280
- SFFD
  - Prepared code analysis
  - Details DTX approach to Fire-Life Safety issues
  - Reflects status of agreement with SFFD



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## Progress Summary

- Preliminary Engineering design ~ 40% complete
- Completion of PE on schedule for Q2 2010
- Significant coordination with operators and stakeholders
- Continuing coordination with TTC design team
  - TTC design requires finalizing DTX design elements for 2010 TTC construction



## Next Steps

- Continue task progress
  - Cut and Cover Structures
  - Mined Tunnel
  - Existing Structures
- Development of detailed construction schedule
- Begin Preliminary Hazard Assessment
- Continue coordination with operators/stakeholders
- Coordination w/ FRA, FTA, CPUC



## Program Development Summary



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## Program Recap

- 2001-2003 Caltrain/TJPA EIR/EIS developed
- 2004 Transbay FEIR/EIS certified
- 2005 Federal ROD and DTX PE contract awarded
- 2005/2006 Conceptual design developed
  - Value Management executed (saves approx. \$600M)
- 2007 Defined RLPA and Assured HSR Capability
- 2008 Concept Design/Phase 2 Budget established
- 2008 Commence PE (30%) design



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## TJPA Mandates

- Regional Measure 2 - Senate Bill 916 : Oct. 03
  - Regional, Local & Intercity Bus
  - Caltrain Downtown Extension
  - Accommodate Future HSR
  - Accommodate Eventual East Bay Extension
- Assembly Bill 812: July 03  
(Public Resources Code – Addresses National Register of Historic Places)
  - Allows Demolition of Transbay Terminal for construction of TTC to serve Caltrain & HSR



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## TJPA Mandates (cont.)

- Proposition K : Nov. 03
  - Construction for Caltrain Extension to Transbay Terminal
- Senate Bill 1856 : Sep. 02 (Foundation of Prop 1A)
  - HSR connect SF Transbay Terminal to LA Union Station
- Proposition H : Nov. 99
  - City to Extend Caltrain to Downtown SF (TTC)
  - Caltrain Extension ROW: No Conflicting Use/Development



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## Program/Design Process

- Understand owner's/operators' requirements
- Establish/evaluate parameters for engineering
- Coordinate w/ agency stakeholders (Caltrain/CHSRA) – validate assumptions
- Perform analysis/design
- Conduct submission reviews & comments
- Address agency and stakeholder comments
- Finalize design phase/cost estimate

*Conclusion: Process met all known Operator requirements of Conceptual Design in 2008.*



## Current Rail Design (RLPA Configuration)

In April 2007, the TJPA Board approved the Refined Locally Preferred Alternative (RLPA) Configuration, comprising the following:

- 2-track lead to DTX tunnel system
- Fourth and Townsend underground station
- 3-track tunnel on Townsend and Second streets
- Transit Center with 3 platforms and 6 tracks
- At-grade rail car storage within Caltrain Yard
- Tail Tracks deferred until operationally required



## RLPA Configuration





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## DTX/TTC Operating Capacity

	Caltrain	CHSRA
No. Tracks	2	4
Trains/Hr	6*	6
Seats/Hr	6,720	6,000
Dwell Time (sch/min)	20/18	30/20
Train Length (ft)	750	1,312
Cars / Train	8	16
Seats / Train	1,120	1,000

\* w/Tail Tracks

*Conclusion: Available capacity exceeds ridership projections*



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## Design Concept Validation for HSR

- June 2007, Assess Current Design (Internally/Externally)
  - Design concepts consistent w/ project objectives
  - Engineering compatible w/operator requirements
- Provide Assurance for Rail Operations
  - DTX minimum radius of curvature
  - Platform curvature and resultant platform gap
  - Availability of HSR rolling stock w/o modification
  - Track geometry result in reasonable travel times



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## Design Concept Validation for HSR (cont.)

- CHSRA Station Location Selection
- Objectives
  - Maximize Ridership/Revenue Potential
  - Maximize Connectivity and Accessibility
  - Maximize Compatibility w/existing and Planned Development
- Evaluation Criteria
  - Travel Time, Population/Employment Catchment Area, Ridership & Revenue Forecasts
  - Intermodal Connections
  - Land Use Compatibility & Conflicts, Visual Quality Impacts, Transit-Oriented Development Potential

*Current Transit Center design is consistent w/CHSRA objectives & criteria.*



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## Design Concept Validation for HSR (cont.)

- DB International GmbH - Operator & Engineer
- Review Concept Design:
  - Feasibility and international best practice
- Provide Examples of Precedent
- Provide Professional Opinion:
  - Operational concepts
  - Alignment geometry
  - Trackwork
  - Platform geometry
  - HSR vehicles
- Provide Recommendations





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## Design Concept Validation for HSR (cont.)

- TTC San Francisco –  
*Preferred HSR Train Destination*
- DTX Design Suitable for –  
*Operation of HSR Rolling Stock*
- Proven Solutions to –  
*Accommodate Curved Platforms*
- Proven Measures to –  
*Enhance Track Performance*



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## Program/Design Summary

- ✓ Concept design consistent with 2008 Caltrain and CHSRA requirements
- ✓ Rail & Transit Center designs consistent with CHSRA FEIS/FEIR, certified July 2008
- ✓ Rail design fulfills legislated mandates
- ✓ Rail design consistent with international practice for high-speed systems
- ✓ Transit Center fulfills all CHSRA station selection criteria and objectives