

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION
for Eight Crossings in San Leandro, Hayward, and Unincorporated Alameda County

This notice is to inform the public and interested agencies that in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the Alameda County Transportation Commission (Alameda CTC) is circulating Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for public comment.

Project/Location: The project proposes safety improvements to eight existing at-grade rail crossings on Marina Boulevard, Washington Avenue, and Hesperian Boulevard in the City of San Leandro; Lewelling Boulevard in Unincorporated Alameda County; and Leidig Court, Tennyson High-School Pedestrian Crossing, Tennyson Road, and Industrial Parkway in the City of Hayward. Site conditions vary between crossings. The Hesperian Boulevard, Lewelling Boulevard, and Industrial Parkway crossings take place on major arterials while the rest of the crossings are located on one- or two-lane streets. Each crossing location is paved and surrounded by walls or fencing. The existing railroad crossings include single-arm gates (one in each direction of traffic), a warning device, concrete crossing panels, and street lighting. Safety improvements at the crossings would include installation new security gates/fencing, medians, pavement markings, automatic pedestrian gates, and roadside signals. Additional improvements include Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) detectable pavers, warning devices, “No Trespassing” signs, replacement of signal arms, and installation of new sidewalks.

Document Availability: The Initial Study/MND will be available for review at the following location beginning on Monday, April 24, 2023:

- Alameda CTC website: <https://www.alamedactc.org/programs-projects/transit-and-rail/rail-safety-enhancement-program>

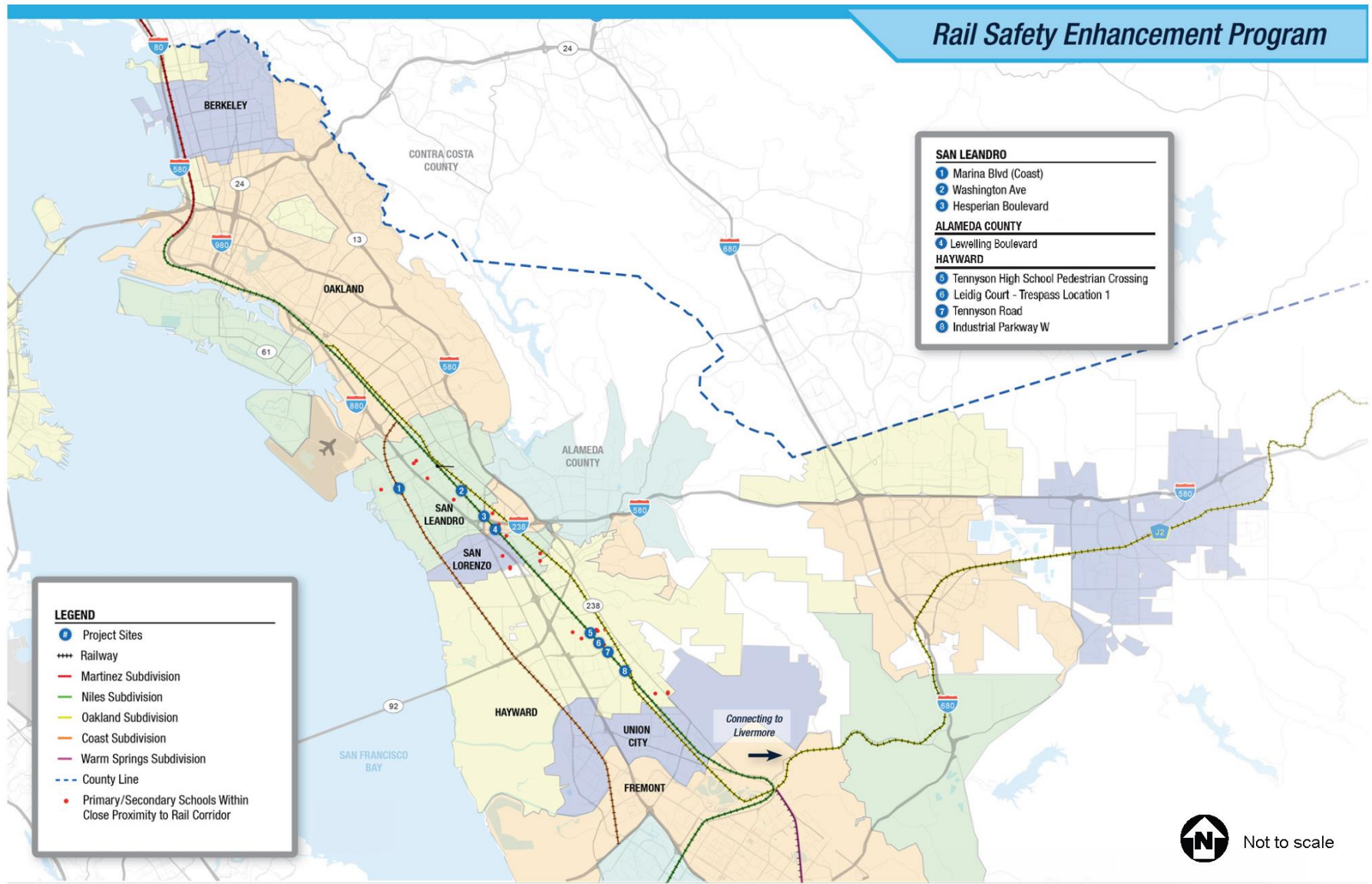
Public Review Period: The 30-day public review period for the Initial Study/MND is from April 24, 2023, to May 25, 2023.

Comments: Any person who wishes to comment on the Alameda CTC’s intent to adopt the MND must submit written comments no later than 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 25, 2023. Written comments may be sent to: Jhay Delos Reyes, Principal Transportation Engineer at Alameda CTC, via email to idelosreyes@alamedactc.org or by mail at 1111 Broadway, Suite 800, Oakland, CA 94607.

Project Impacts: Based on the findings of the Initial Study, it has been determined that the project will not have a significant effect upon the environment based on mitigating measures, which will be attached to the project as conditions of approval. A Mitigated Negative Declaration has been prepared outlining a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Plan to mitigate the potentially significant impacts.

Public Hearing: The Virtual Public Hearing for Virginia Avenue and Hearst Ave Crossings in Berkeley will be held on Thursday, May 4, 2023, 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.

Rail Safety Enhancement Program



- | SAN LEANDRO | |
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| 1 | Marina Blvd (Coast) |
| 2 | Washington Ave |
| 3 | Hesperian Boulevard |
| ALAMEDA COUNTY | |
| 4 | Levelling Boulevard |
| HAYWARD | |
| 5 | Tennyson High School Pedestrian Crossing |
| 6 | Leidig Court - Trespass Location 1 |
| 7 | Tennyson Road |
| 8 | Industrial Parkway W |

- | LEGEND | |
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| | Project Sites |
| | Railway |
| | Martinez Subdivision |
| | Niles Subdivision |
| | Oakland Subdivision |
| | Coast Subdivision |
| | Warm Springs Subdivision |
| | County Line |
| | Primary/Secondary Schools Within Close Proximity to Rail Corridor |

Not to scale

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