



Los Angeles Union Station Run-Through Tracks Project

Environmental Impact Statement

An Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement (EIR/EIS) has been prepared for the LA Union Station Run-through Tracks Project proposed by the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans). Caltrans supports Amtrak's San Diego-Los Angeles-San Luis Obispo Surfliner rail services, which rely upon LA Union Station and would use the run-through tracks. For this project, Caltrans is both the project sponsor and the lead agency for purposes of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) requirements, and the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) is the lead federal lead agency for National Environmental Policy Act compliance. Caltrans is also preparing a Program EIR/EIS with FRA for a 20-year improvement program along the existing Los Angeles to San Diego rail corridor.

The EIR/EIS analyzes the potential environmental impacts of the construction of tracks that would allow trains to pass through LA Union Station by extending four of the existing stub-end tracks and connecting them back to the mainline. The construction of the Run-Through Tracks Project would reduce trip times for both the Surfliner and Metrolink commuter trains to and from Orange County and points south as well as increase the capacity of LA Union Station.

The Notice of Availability for the Draft EIR/EIS was published by the United States Environmental Protection Agency in the Federal Register on September 10, 2004. A public hearing was held on October 13, 2004. The comment period closed October 25, 2004. The Final EIR/EIS was released in November 2005.

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