The California High-Speed Rail Authority is working with partner agencies, corridor cities and stakeholders to bring high-speed rail to Southern California in order to improve the region's mobility. Conceptual designs and various planning and technical studies are underway for all four of the Phase 1 project sections. Funding has already been dedicated to several key early investment projects to prepare for the eventual arrival of high-speed rail by improving the safety and efficiency of complimenting rail services, including Metro's Regional Connector, Metrolink Locomotives, and Metrolink Positive Train Control. Additional dollars are targeted for grade separations and capacity enhancements, described below.

**Bakersfield to Palmdale (B-P) Project Section**

*Connects the Central Valley to the Antelope Valley, closing the existing passenger rail gap over the Tehachapi Mountains.*

**Route Details:** 80 mile route (approximately) from Bakersfield to Palmdale.

**Status:**
- Comprehensive evaluation of routes has been underway the past two years in order to develop alternatives for study in the environmental document.
- Preparing a robust community engagement program to support the planning and environmental process.

**Palmdale to Burbank (P-B) Project Section**

*Connects the Antelope Valley to the San Fernando Valley in order to bring high-speed rail service to the urban Los Angeles area.*

**Route Details:** 40 mile route (approximately) from Palmdale to Burbank.

**Status:**
- Comprehensive evaluation of routes has been underway the past two years in order to develop alternatives for study in the environmental document.
- Detailed project-level environmental studies are underway to support preparation of the draft environmental document.
- Robust community engagement program underway to support the planning and environmental process.
- Supplemental Alternatives Analysis released in June 2015 and presented to the Board of Directors as an information item. No action was taken.

**Burbank to Los Angeles (B-LA) Project Section**

*Connects high-speed rail to Los Angeles Union Station, a key multimodal hub for Southern California.*

**Route Details:** 15 mile route (approximately) from Burbank to Los Angeles.

**Status:**
- Comprehensive evaluation of routes has been underway the past two years in order to develop alternatives for study in the environmental document.
- Preparing a robust community engagement program to support the planning and environmental process.
- Providing funding to support the Doran Street grade separation and Southern California Regional Interconnector Project (SCRIP), which includes run-through tracks at Los Angeles Union Station to allow for flexibility in moving trains, passenger loading and one-seat rides between Metrolink and Amtrak.
The California High-Speed Rail Authority is responsible for planning, designing, building and operating the first high-speed rail system in the nation. California high-speed rail will connect the mega-regions of the state, contribute to economic development and a cleaner environment, create jobs and preserve agricultural and protected lands. By 2029, the system will run from San Francisco to the Los Angeles basin in under three hours at speeds capable of over 200 miles per hour. The system will eventually extend to Sacramento and San Diego, totaling 800 miles with up to 24 stations. In addition, the Authority is working with regional partners to implement a state-wide rail modernization plan that will invest billions of dollars in local and regional rail lines to meet the state's 21st century transportation needs.

**Los Angeles to Anaheim (LA-A) Project Section**
Completely the Phase 1 system into Orange County to provide critical linkages in the regional transportation network.

**Route Details:** 30 mile route (approximately) from Los Angeles to Anaheim.

**Status:**
- Comprehensive evaluation of routes has been underway the past two years in order to develop alternatives for study in the environmental document.
- Preparing a robust community engagement program to support the planning and environmental process.
- Providing funding to support Rosecrans/Marquardt and State College grade separations.

**Los Angeles to San Diego (LA-SD) Project Section (Phase 2)**
Connects high-speed rail to the Inland Empire and San Diego, closing a major rail gap between Southern California counties.

**Route Details:** 170 mile route (approximately) from Los Angeles to San Diego.

**Status:**
- Preparing Corridor Investment Plan to identify opportunities to advance key connections.
- Maintaining communications with partner agencies to work on long-term planning.

**Open Procurements:**
- RFP for Construction Package 4 - Design-Build Contract Services
- RFP for Construction Package 4 - Project and Construction Management Services
- RFP for Prop. 1A Funding Plan Independent Consultants Report
- RFEI for Delivery of an Initial Operating Segment

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