

TEHACHAPI TRADE CORRIDOR RAIL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT



Tehachapi Trade Corridor

Located in Kern County on Union Pacific Railroad.

The rail improvement project will:

- Add second track (15 miles)
- Bypass 3 tunnels,
- Add 3 main bridges
- Connect existing sidings
- Improve the signaling system and culverts

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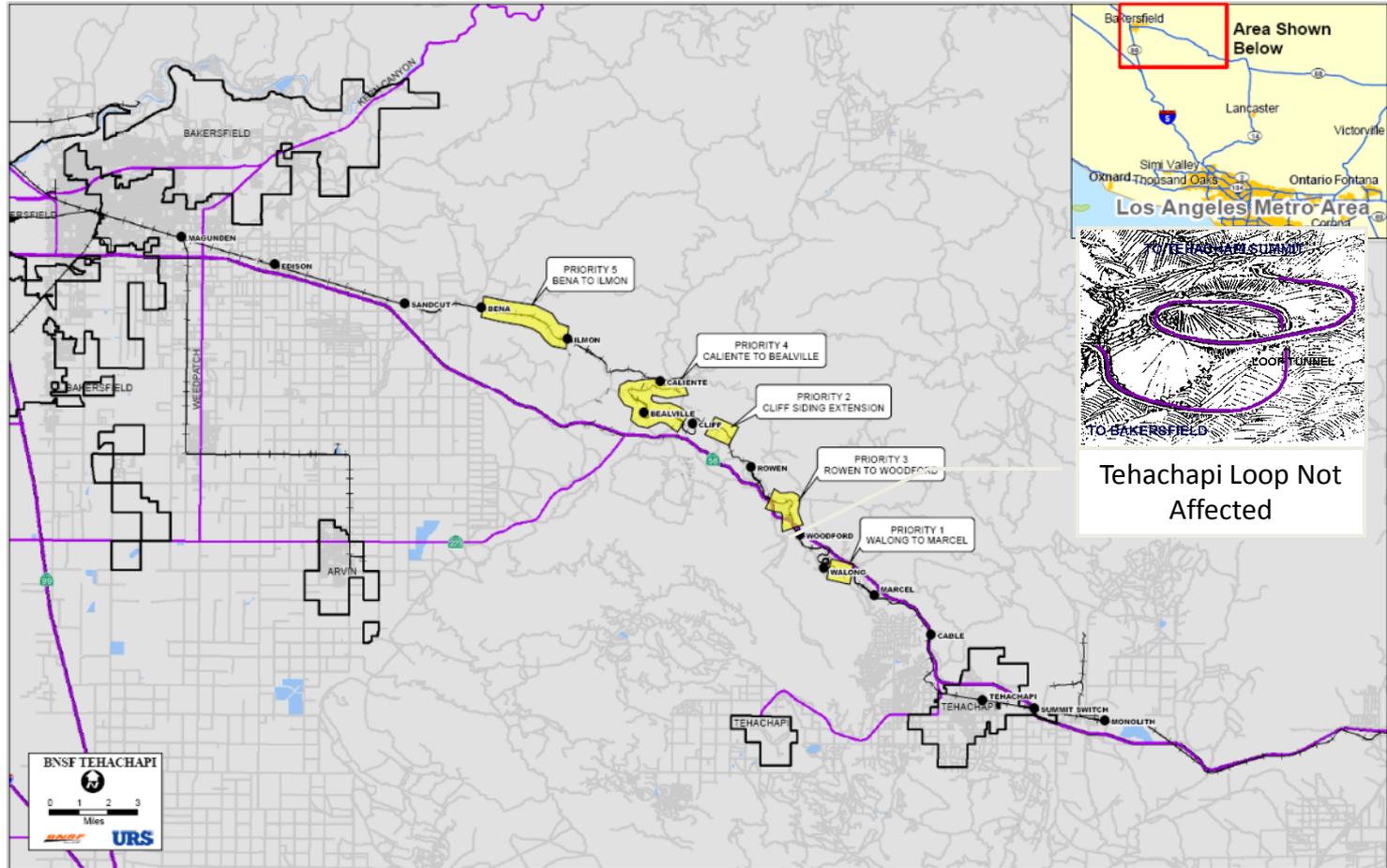
Project Consists of 6 Segments

Project Segments:

- 1 - Walong to Marcel
- 2 - Cliff Siding Extension
- 3 - Rowen to Woodford
- 4 - Caliente to Bealville
- 5 - Bena to Ilmon
- 6 - Centralized Traffic Control

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PROJECT LOCATION



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BENEFITS

- Increases Throughput
- Reduce Congestion
- Increase Connectivity
- Improve Reliability
- Improve Velocity
- Reduce Emissions

70% Capacity Improvement

Less Rail & Highway Congestion

Improved East/West Goods Movement

52% Fewer Train Delay Hours

14% Faster Transit Time

Less CO₂, NO_x, & PM Emissions

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FUNDING PLAN

- TOTAL PROJECT COST \$108,000,000
 - TCIF \$54,000,000
 - RAILROAD \$54,000,000



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Project Timeline and Status

- Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) was the proposed Environmental Document
- Segment 3 runs parallel to the Foundation property where Cesar Chavez is buried (Rowen to Woodford).
- July 2010 public hearing for the Draft MND, the Cesar Chavez Foundation raised a number of concerns to the MND specific to Segment 3.
- With the issues raised, BNSF determined it would be best to produce an EIR instead of the MND.
- BNSF Draft EIR was produced in late 2011.

Status

- EIR under review by Department.
- May 2012, Planned release of Draft EIR and begin public review of EIR.

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CURRENT DELIVERY DATES

- ENVIRONMENTAL
 - Draft EIR May 2012
 - Public Review of DEIR May-July 2012
 - Final EIR November 2012
- DESIGN September 2012
- RIGHT OF WAY December 2012
- CTC ALLOCATION January 2013
- BEGIN CONSTRUCTION February 2013

