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Meetings Seek Public Input about Proposed Passenger Rail Service to Coachella Valley-San Gorgonio Pass

The Federal Railroad Administration (FRA), in cooperation with Caltrans and the Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC), is holding three public scoping meetings to seek input regarding the proposed intercity passenger rail service between the cities of Los Angeles and Indio, also known as the Coachella Valley – San Gorgonio Pass Corridor.

Meetings will be held from 5 pm to 7 pm, with brief presentations starting at 5:45 pm. The content of the presentation will be the same at each meeting; please attend the meeting location that is most convenient:

- Wednesday, October 12, Springbrook Clubhouse, Reid Park, 1011 N. Orange St., Riverside
- Thursday, October 13, Indio Senior Center, 45-700 Aladdin St., Indio
- Monday, October 17, Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) Headquarters, Plaza Level: One Gateway Plaza, Los Angeles

The scoping meetings will allow community members to learn more about the proposed project and to provide input on the purpose and need for the project as well as provide input regarding the scope and content of the Program Environmental Impact Statement/Environmental Impact Report (EIS/EIR).

The project proposes additional intercity passenger rail service between Los Angeles Union Station (LAUS) in the west to the City of Indio in the east. The overall project purpose is to provide a safe, reliable, convenient intercity passenger service that would meet future mobility needs of residents, businesses and visitors within the corridor.

The public review and comment period will be available through November 10, 2016.

For more information about the proposed project, the public scoping meetings and comment process, please go to <http://rctc.org/rail/coachella-valley-rail-service>

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