

# Regional Governance of the SAN JOAQUIN Intercity Rail Service



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# History of SB 457

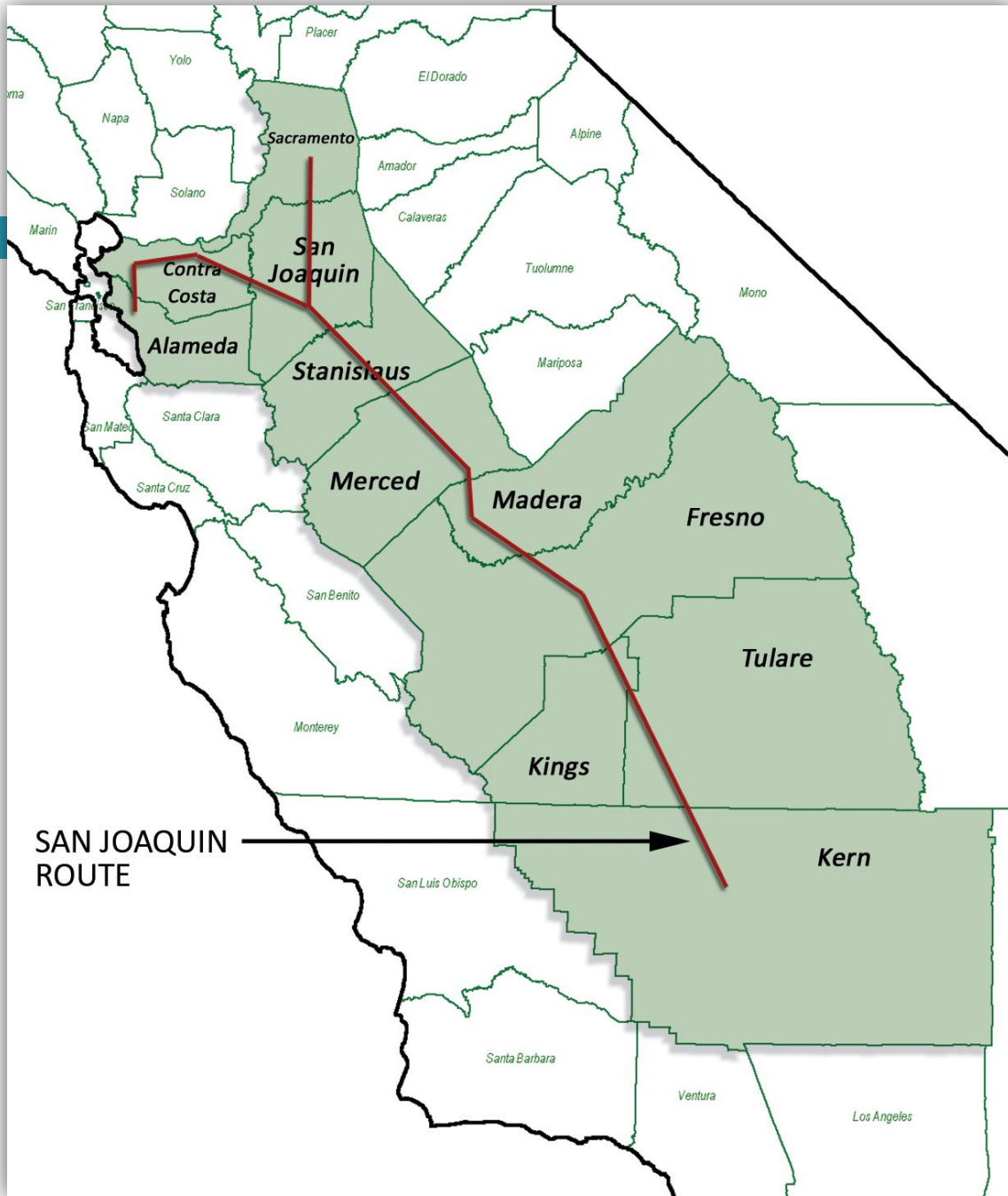
- In 1996, Allowed the Management of State Intercity Rail Services to be Assumed by Regional Joint Powers Authorities (JPA's)
- Originated at the Request of the Agencies in the LA to San Diego Corridor
- Only the Capitol Corridor was Successful at Forming a New JPA
- The Deadline for Forming JPA's Expired Dec. 31 1996

# Successful Regional Governance of the Capitol Corridor

- Since 1997, Service has Expanded from 4 Round Trip Trains to 16 Trains Each Day
- Active and Effective Advocacy at the State and Federal Levels
- Engaged and Supportive Agencies Along the Corridor
- Service Has Been Modified to be Responsive to Local and Regional Needs
- More Cost-Effective Management

# Regional Governance Initiatives

- Based Upon the Success of the Capitols, the LOSSAN Corridor Agencies have sponsored Legislation (SB 1225) to Allow Regional Governance of the Pacific Surfliners
- Central Valley agencies are also sponsoring Regional Governance of the San Joaquin Intercity Rail Service (AB 1779)



# Potential Member Agencies (11 Counties)

Sacramento RT\*

StanCOG

Madera Transp. Commission

Kings CAG

Kern COG

Alameda County & Contra Costa TA

Up to 11-Member Governing Board

\* Potential Managing Agency

San Joaquin RRC\*

Merced CAG

Fresno COG

Tulare CAG

## Potential Member Agencies (11 Counties)



- The board shall be organized when at least six of the jurisdictions (member agencies) elect to appoint a member to serve on the board.
- If rail service boundaries are extended, an additional member from each additional county may be added to the board through a decision of the board.



# Legislation

- AB 1779 (Galgiani, Dickinson, Olsen, Perea, Cannella, Padilla, Wolk)
- Amends Existing Government Codes
- AB 1779 is Permissive, not Mandatory
- Extend Time Period for Transfer Agreement to December 31, 2013
- Identify Composition of San Joaquin JPA
- Protects Against Use of Local Funds to Expand San Joaquin Service
- Requires Administrative Cost-Savings

# Letters of Support

- Central Valley Rail Working Group (sponsor)
- SJV Regional Policy Council (sponsor)
- Sacramento RT (sponsor)
- San Joaquin RRC (sponsor)
- CA Partnership for SJV
- Stanislaus COG
- San Joaquin COG
- Madera CTC
- Merced CAG
- Tulare CAG
- Sacramento Area COG
- Fresno COG
- Mayor of Fresno
- Steve Cohn, Sacramento City Council, CCJPA Board member
- City of Modesto
- City of Merced
- City of Lodi
- City of Elk Grove
- City of Sacramento
- City of Visalia
- City of Corcoran

# Letters of Support

- City of Stockton
- City of Selma
- City of Mendota
- City of Turlock
- City of Huron
- City of Fowler
- City of Kingsburg
- San Joaquin RTD
- Los Angeles-San Diego-San Luis Obispo (LOSSAN) Rail Corridor Agency
- Fresno County
- Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors
- Fresno Regional Workforce Investment Board
- SJV Air Pollution Control District
- Greater Stockton Chamber of Commerce
- California Central Valley Economic Development Corporation
- Capitol Corridor Joint Powers Authority
- CA Transit Association

# Progress

- AB 1779 spot bill submitted February 22
- AB 1779 in print on March 28
- AB 1779 passes Assembly Transportation Committee (11-0) on April 16
- SB 1225 passes Senate Transportation Committee (6-0) on April 24
- AB 1779 passes Local Government Committee (7-1) on April 25

# Progress

- May 9 – Assembly Appropriations Hearing for AB 1779 (in “suspense”)
- May 25 – Passed Assembly Appropriations on “B” Roll Call
- May 30 – Assembly Vote on AB 1779 (64-11)
- May 30 – Senate Vote on SB 1225 (38-0)
- July 3 – Senate Trans. Comm. Hearing (8-0)
- August – Senate Appropriations Hearing
- August – Senate Vote on AB 1779

# Next Steps



- Additional Meetings/Presentations
- Additional Letters of Support for AB 1779
- RGI Working Group Meeting August 17
- Develop Draft JPA Agreement
- Develop Details for Business Case for Regional Management
- Continue to Partner with LOSSAN Board



**QUESTIONS?**