

Vision for Integrated Passenger Rail/Transit in San Joaquin County



Construction on the nation's first 200+ mph high-speed rail (HSR) system is underway in the San Joaquin Valley, and San Joaquin County will be connected to early HSR operations by intercity and commuter rail "Valley Rail" service expansion, Valley Link, and increased local and regional transit. Enhanced public transportation, zero-emission vehicles, and transit-oriented development will be instrumental to improved mobility, equity, air quality, and economic vitality for all who live, work, and travel through San Joaquin County.

Valley Rail (San Joaquins and ACE Expansion)



Service on the San Joaquins will expand as part of the Valley Rail program.

The Valley Rail Program includes improvements and expansions of both the intercity San Joaquins (Amtrak) and ACE commuter rail, which will result in increased passenger rail services between the San Joaquin

Valley, Sacramento, and the San Francisco Bay Area. Valley Rail will add daily roundtrips for both services between Sacramento and Merced, and they will link directly to HSR at the new Merced HSR Station. A key element of the Valley Rail Program is the "Stockton Diamond Grade Separation Project" in downtown Stockton. This Project eliminates the worst freight rail bottleneck in California, bringing major safety, air quality, traffic, passenger, and freight rail benefits to San Joaquin County and the San Joaquin Valley.

Valley Link

Valley Link is a 42-mile passenger rail service over the Altamont Pass, providing a new, zero-emission transit alternative to congested Interstate 580. The 22-mile initial operating phase, which could break ground as early as 2026, will provide all-day, bi-directional service between the Dublin/Pleasanton BART Station in the San Francisco Bay Area and a new Valley Link station in Mountain House in San Joaquin County. Service will ultimately extend to the North Lathrop Transfer Station, where it will connect with ACE service.

San Joaquin Regional Transit District (RTD)

RTD is the regional transit provider for San Joaquin County. Its service includes 27 Stockton Metropolitan Area (SMA) and adjacent unincorporated area routes; five Bus Rapid Transit routes; eight County Hopper intercity deviated fixed routes; seven Metro Hopper deviated fixed routes; two commuter routes to Sacramento and Dublin/Pleasanton BART Station in the Bay Area; Dial-A-Ride; and Van Go!, a mobility-on-demand service providing intercity connections that includes rural areas.

Other Bus Services

The City of Lodi offers Grapeline fixed-route and Dial-A-Ride services, as well as Vineline ADA paratransit service within the Lodi city limits, Woodbridge, and Acampo. Grapeline connects with RTD at several stops and will connect the Lodi Transit Station in downtown Lodi with the future Valley Rail Station on West Highway 12. The City of Tracy's TRACER bus service offers fixed-route, paratransit, and on-demand services. There are four core TRACER fixed routes, three shuttle routes operating Monday through Saturday, and four weekday commuter routes connecting to ACE and RTD. The cities of Manteca, Ripon, and Escalon operate fixed-route and Dial-A-Ride services on weekdays within their respective cities and connect passengers to RTD. Ripon and Escalon services provide connections to Stanislaus County. The City of Lathrop is planning turnkey microtransit service that will connect to RTD, ACE, and Valley Link. The City of Mountain House will provide fixed-route service to Valley Link once service begins.

Transit-Oriented Development

The downtowns of Stockton, Tracy, Lodi, and Manteca will be the focal points for new TOD in San Joaquin County. The cities of Stockton, Tracy, Lodi, Lathrop, and Manteca will be adopting plans, policies, zoning provisions, design criteria, and incentives for higher densities, as well as incorporating a mix of urban land uses around their future passenger rail stations. Stockton and Lodi have plans to promote TOD and improved connections within and to/from their downtowns.

DETAILED MAP ON BACK



LEGEND

-  San Joaquins
-  ACE Rail
-  Valley Link Route Options
-  RTD
-  Lodi Grapeline
-  Tracy TRACER
-  Ripon Blossom Express
-  Manteca Transit
-  Escalon eTrans
-  San Joaquins "Route 6" Thruway Bus Service
-  Major Corridor Highway
-  Roadway
-  City Boundary
-  TOD Focus Area
-  Downtown Transit Center (DTC)



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