

## 2012 REVISED BUSINESS PLAN FACT SHEET

### BETTER, FASTER, CHEAPER

The revised 2012 Business Plan outlines a strategy to improve statewide high-speed rail through:

- **Better** integration with existing regional systems;
- **Faster** improvements to infrastructure so Californians benefit more quickly;
- **Cheaper** construction costs that reduce estimates from \$98 billion to \$68.4 billion.

### INTEGRATES BETTER WITH LOCAL TRANSPORTATION

High-Speed Rail (HSR) will integrate better with existing intercity and regional rail systems to:

- Improve existing infrastructure right now to move trains faster and safer;
- Integrate existing local rail services with high-speed rail; and
- Invest in Southern California, Northern California and Bay Area local rail systems right now to make those systems safer, faster and ready to connect to high-speed train service.

### FIVE STEPS TO FASTER CONSTRUCTION

#### *Step 1—Early Investments for Immediate Statewide Benefit*

Construction of dedicated HSR infrastructure begins in the Central Valley with the first segment of the Initial Operating Section (IOS). Service will launch in 2018, the current San Joaquin rail system will use this new infrastructure to cut travel time on the country's 5th busiest Amtrak line and connect with other regional commuter systems.

The revised business plan also makes immediate improvements to local rail systems using existing Prop 1A funding, future federal funds and other sources:

- Electrifies the Bay Area's Caltrain Corridor and improves key rail corridors in Southern California
- Links the San Joaquin, Altamont Commuter Express, Capitol Corridor and Caltrain systems; and
- Closes the existing rail gap between Bakersfield and Palmdale

#### *Step 2—Initial High-Speed Rail Operations*

The next step completes the 300-mile section from Merced to the San Fernando Valley. This service will operate without a subsidy, and will have potential to attract additional private investment for HSR system expansion. Service will launch in 2022.