



San Diego LOSSAN Rail Realignment Project

Fact Sheet

Project Overview

The Los Angeles-San Diego-San Luis Obispo (LOSSAN) rail corridor is the only rail connection between San Diego and the rest of the state and nation. Landslides, rapid erosion, and seismic activity along the Del Mar bluffs have repeatedly caused the rail corridor to shut down to address safety concerns. Recent stabilization efforts provide short-term protection, but a long-term solution requires immediate action to realign the tracks.

The San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG) is analyzing ways to do this. As part of this work, we are looking at how best to reduce travel times, enhance safety, and increase capacity along the entire San Diego segment of the corridor. This includes evaluating potential double-track alignments between the San Dieguito Lagoon area and Sorrento Valley that would move the tracks completely off the eroding bluffs.

Outreach and Public Comment

Early public and community engagement for the San Diego LOSSAN Rail Realignment project began ramping up in late summer 2023. During the environmental review process, SANDAG will continue to provide opportunities for engagement through community meetings, listening sessions, phone and email, social media, and more.

For More Information

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LOSSAN Rail Corridor Facts



- » 351 miles stretching from San Luis Obispo to downtown San Diego
- » Nation's second busiest intercity rail corridor (Amtrak, 2019)
- » Carries nearly 8 million riders annually (NCTD, Amtrak, Metrolink, 2019)
- » Transports \$1 billion in goods (BNSF)
- » Part of Defense Department's Strategic Rail Corridor Network providing access to military bases throughout San Diego

Schedule

December 2017

Completed Conceptual Engineering Study of five potential double track tunnel alignments between Del Mar and Sorrento Valley

July 2020

Initiated evaluation of potential tunnel alignment concepts

2021

Continued evaluation of potential tunnel alignment concepts

June 2022

Secured \$300 million in State funding to begin environmental analysis, study potential impacts, engage in public and community outreach, and identify future costs

September 2022

SANDAG Board of Directors accepted \$300 million in State funding for environmental and engineering work over five years

Summer/Fall 2023*

Community Open House and Public Information Session to share preliminary data/information and gather feedback from the public

Fall 2023/Spring 2024*

Public Engagement

Technical Studies

Begin Preliminary Engineering and Environmental Clearance phase

*Anticipated future events subject to change

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