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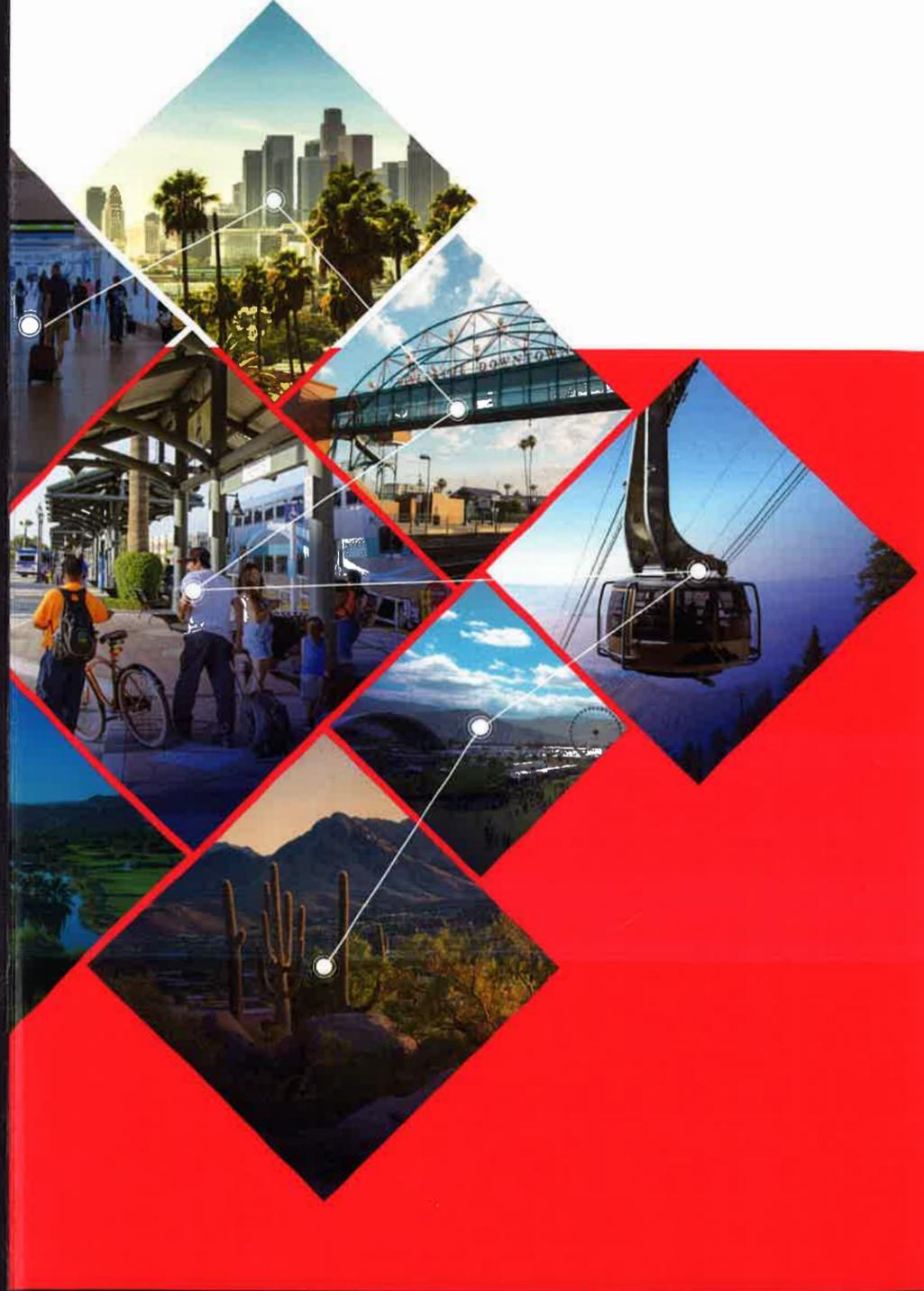
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# COACHELLA VALLEY RAIL

— **TRANSFORMING TRAVEL** —

In July 2022, the Riverside County Transportation Commission unanimously certified the Tier 1 program-level environmental document, which studied daily intercity passenger rail service between Los Angeles and the Coachella Valley. RCTC and Caltrans now are seeking funding for the Tier 2 project-level environmental studies.

Without question, the service will transform, connect, promote sustainability, create access and equity, expand economic investment and tourism, and offer more travel choices across the U.S. for residents of our rapidly growing region.



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# WHY COACHELLA VALLEY RAIL?

## Transformational

Daily intercity passenger rail service will transform the way southern California residents travel, creating a car-free, stress-free option between major destinations, from downtown lights to desert delights.

## Economic Investment

The new service will expand the regional economy by opening travel options and connections to restaurants, resorts, concert venues, sports facilities, and commercial and retail centers across the southland. The proposed stations also offer a host of transit-oriented development opportunities.

## Sustainability

Taking the train will combat climate change by reducing vehicle miles traveled. This project will explore low or zero emission locomotives. Seven of the nine proposed stations are in or near disadvantaged communities, which will benefit not only from alternatives to traffic-choked highways, but also from better air quality and health conditions.

## Access & Equity

Inland communities are behind the state average and coastal regions in employment, income, and education levels. Daily service offers game-changing access to jobs and schools, creating equity in a region long denied sufficient resources.

## Tourism

The service will support tourism regionwide, from LA's entertainment attractions to Orange County's theme parks to Riverside County's world-renowned festivals, bringing people together from around the globe.

## Population Growth

The Inland Empire is the fastest growing region in California and the fifth fastest growing region in the U.S. It is the only area of its size and population in California without daily intercity passenger rail service. More than 160,000 people travel through the San Geronio Pass each day, demonstrating a clear need for this alternative.

## Regional Connections

Service will link L.A. Union Station and the Coachella Valley, connecting riders 144 miles across the counties of Los Angeles, Orange, San Bernardino, and Riverside. CV Rail will connect communities with this new way to travel, enhancing the region's quality of life.

## California & Beyond

CV Rail makes up a large segment of Amtrak's planned Tucson-Phoenix-Los Angeles corridor with connections to San Diego, Santa Barbara, the Pacific Northwest, and Arizona. The segment is an important element of the Amtrak Connects US national initiative.

## BY THE NUMBERS

**144 MILES**  
Route Length

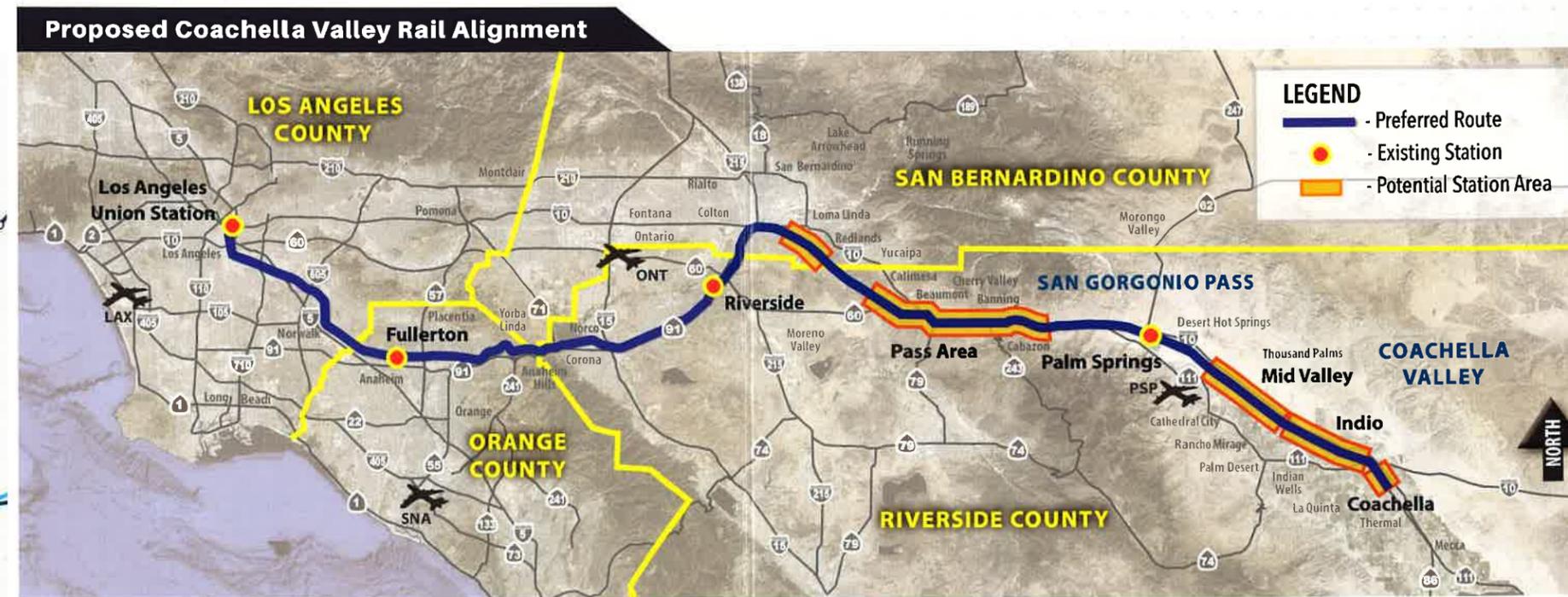
**SoCal Population** 24 Million  
**100% Commission Supported** ✓

**San Geronio Pass Travelers** 160,000 / Day

**No. of Proposed Stations** 9

**3 HOURS 15 MINUTES**  
Running Time  
Los Angeles to Coachella Valley

**Inland Empire Population** 4.65 Million



**Transformador**

El servicio diario de trenes interurbanos de pasajeros transformará la forma en que viajan los residentes del sur de California, creando una opción sin automóviles y sin estrés entre los importantes destinos, desde las luces de downtown hasta las delicias del desierto.

**Inversión Económica**

El nuevo servicio expandirá la economía regional al abrir opciones de viaje y conexiones a restaurantes, centros turísticos, salas de conciertos, instalaciones deportivas y centros comerciales y minoristas en todo del sur de California.

**Sustentabilidad**

La ampliación del servicio de trenes reducirá las millas recorridas por vehículos, generando menos emisiones y combatiendo el cambio climático mediante la mejora de la calidad del aire y la salud pública.

**Acceso y Equidad**

El servicio promoverá la equidad en comunidades menos favorecidas en la región al proporcionar un nuevo acceso al empleo, la educación y las oportunidades recreativas.

**Turismo**

El servicio apoyará el turismo en toda la región, uniendo a personas de todo el mundo.

**Crecimiento de la Población**

El Inland Empire es la región de más rápido crecimiento en California y la quinta región de más rápido crecimiento en los EE. UU., es una importante necesidad de ampliar el servicio.

**Conexiones Regionales**

El servicio unirá LA Union Station y Coachella Valley, conectando a los pasajeros 144 millas en los condados de Los Ángeles, Orange, San Bernardino y Riverside.

**California y Más Allá**

CV Rail constituye de un gran segmento del corredor Tucson-Phoenix-Los Ángeles planificado por Amtrak con conexiones a San Diego, Santa Bárbara, el noroeste del Pacífico y Arizona.





Propuesta de alineación ferroviaria del Valle de Coachella