

DRAFT INITIAL STUDY/MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Date of Publication of Draft Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration: December 3, 2010

Project Title: Hayward Maintenance Complex Project

Lead Agency: San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit District

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Project Location: The project is located in Alameda County, south of Industrial Parkway in the City of Hayward extending south of Whipple Road to about D Street in Union City, between two existing Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) rail lines.

Project Description: The San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit District (BART) operates and maintains 104 miles of track and 43 stations, serving an average of 360,000 passenger trips every weekday in the counties of San Francisco, Alameda, Contra Costa, and San Mateo. Over the next 30 years, BART will require additional vehicles to meet future demand associated with regional population growth and system expansion. Accordingly, BART requires expanded maintenance and storage facilities to serve the expanded fleet. The proposed Hayward Maintenance Complex project would consist of acquisition and improvement to three properties on the west side of the existing Hayward Yard and the construction of additional storage tracks for a maximum of 250 vehicles on undeveloped BART property on the east side of the Hayward Yard. Switches and other track modifications would be made both north and south of Whipple Road.

This Project Could Not Have A Significant Effect on the Environment: This finding is based upon the criteria of the Guidelines of the State Secretary for Resources (Sections 15064, 15065, and 15070, and the reasons documented in the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration for the project. Mitigation measures are included in this project to avoid potentially significant effects.

Copies of the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration: Copies of the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration can be reviewed on the BART website at bart.gov/hmc. Copies of the document also can be obtained by calling the following number and leaving information on how you may be contacted: 510-287-4758. A copy of the document will be mailed to you. In addition, copies of the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration are available at the main libraries in Hayward and Union City.

Copies of the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration and background documents are available for review at the offices of the San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit District: 300 Lakeside Drive, 16th Floor, Oakland, CA 94612.

Public Meeting: BART will hold a second public hearing to receive public comments on the Draft Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration. The meeting will be held Thursday, January 20, 2011, from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. at the Fairway Park Baptist Church, 425 Gresel Street, Hayward.

BART previously held a public hearing to receive public comments on Wednesday, December 15, 2010 in Union City.

Comments on the Draft Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration: The comment period began on December 3, 2010 and will extend through 5 pm February 11, 2011. Comments will be received at the public hearing, in writing, by fax, and by email. Email comments will be accepted at: esmith1@bart.gov. Written comments will be accepted by fax at 510-464-7673 or mailed to the following address:

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