



AGENDA ITEM 12

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Sonoma- Marin Area Rail Transit Board of Directors
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SUBJECT: CEQA Amendment – Healdsburg Extension

Dear Directors:

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt the CEQA Addendum for the Healdsburg Extension Project and approve the modifications to the project by Adopting Resolution 2025-34

BACKGROUND:

SMART prepared a Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) in 2006 for the complete rail and pathway project from Larkspur to Cloverdale. The FEIR was certified by the Board of Directors in 2006. In 2008, the Board of Directors certified a Supplemental EIR ("2008 SEIR") which evaluated the project changes including the addition of weekend service. This document provides a detailed description of the envisioned complete SMART rail and pathway project. As SMART has extended the rail and pathway system, the FEIR is periodically updated to match the final design of the project.

SUMMARY:

The SMART 2006 EIR was based upon a preliminary design of the rail and pathway system. As a result of advancing the project, more detail is known and some adjustments to the system have been analyzed for compliance with CEQA. A CEQA addendum has been prepared to evaluate the potential changes to the impact analysis resulting from the following changes to the Healdsburg Extension Project.

- Russian River Bridge reconstruction clarification and refinements. One new staging area proposed at an industrial yard located at approximately MP 67.6 outside SMART's right-of-way (ROW).
- Four new bicycle/pedestrian pathway bridges located at Norton Creek Tributary (MP 70.34), the Russian River (MP 67.72, Sargent Road Crossing (MP 65.68), and Old Redwood Highway (MP 65.1).
- Bicycle and pedestrian pathway relocations. From MP 71.3 to 70.14

and MP 67.8 to 63.7, the pathway would be constructed east/northeast of the track alignment instead of west of the track alignment to minimize track crossings, align with the Foss Creek pathway in Healdsburg.

- Minor refinements related to utility relocations, culverts, and trackwork near Healdsburg Station.

The CEQA addendum concludes that the changes that are part of the Healdsburg Extension Project would not result in new or substantially greater impacts from what was identified in the 2006 FEIR and 2008 SEIR.

Staff recommends adopting the attached Addendum to the SMART 2006 EIR and approving the Healdsburg Extension modifications.

FISCAL IMPACT: No fiscal impacts from this action.

REVIEWED BY: [X] Finance ___/S/___ [X] Counsel ___/S/___

Sincerely,

/s/

Bill Gamlen, P.E.
Chief Engineer

Attachments: 1) Resolution 2025-34
2) CEQA Addendum

On File with the Clerk of the Board
1) Appendices