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October 7.
A critical meeting about High Speed Rail on the Peninsula

*Peninsula residents need to reengage!*

The state's ill-conceived high-speed rail plan is coming right back to the San Francisco Peninsula, and if you care about the future of your property values, the quality of your residential neighborhoods, and future traffic congestion and business disruption, you need to mark your calendar for a *meeting to be held in Burlingame on October 7th.*

Called a “Community Open House,” the October 7th meeting is where the state’s High-Speed Rail Authority is going to unveil its plans for new construction, and new high-speed train service, along the Caltrain right of way. The Authority’s plans are probably NOT going to be good news for local residents and businesses. For instance, we need answers to all of the following questions, among many others:

- Will high-speed train service, as proposed, displace or potentially displace current and future Caltrain commuter service, to the detriment of the commuting public?
- Will the proposed high-speed train service increase noise issues, and have adverse impacts on local neighborhoods and businesses? And here are a couple of vitally important and related questions: Will the Authority carry out a full-scale environmental review of their plans for the Peninsula, so the public can know the extent of the impacts they expect? Or, will the Authority seek to avoid environmental review, as they have in the past?
- Will the proposed new facilities and high-speed train service be constructed and operated in a way that will not impact surface automobile traffic in the local communities located along the Caltrain corridor? Won’t these plans just amplify our existing traffic gridlock?
- Will the new construction and train service proposed cause blight along the Caltrain right of way, and/or will residents and businesses along the right of way be compensated for the diminution of their property values?
- Will the proposed train service increase or otherwise affect the genuine epidemic of suicide and other deaths currently associated with train service on the Caltrain corridor?

*The meeting is scheduled from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the Burlingame Auditorium, 850 Burlingame Avenue, in Burlingame, but we recommend getting there at 5:30.* Bring your questions and concerns!
So far, in earlier meetings, the Authority has not allowed public questions and public responses. CC-HSR wants real dialogue and discussion - and real answers in real time!

Come prepared with your questions, and demand that the Authority respond to questions and concerns like those listed above.

We will see you in Burlingame!! If you have questions, you can contact CC-HSR by clicking this link.

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CC-HSR is deeply grateful for the support we have received from our contributors! We depend completely on voluntary contributions, and your support is what keeps us working on the issues. Next February, the Tos case goes to trial. That is obviously a top priority for CC-HSR, but in the meantime, as this Community Bulletin shows, we are working to make sure that the High-Speed Rail Authority doesn’t victimize residents and businesses on the Peninsula, with their very problematic plans to send high-speed trains barreling through our communities, causing increased noise, major traffic disruption, reduced property values, and more noise and danger. If you are in a position to help us, please do! We are truly appreciative of your past and continuing support!

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Since 2008, CC-HSR has been working through litigation, lobbying, and public outreach to make sure that the state’s proposed High-Speed Rail project does not bring devastating impacts to the San Francisco Peninsula, or to other parts of California. Return go to our web site www.cc-hsr.org to make a donation to support our work. CC-HSR is totally supported by the community, and this latest decision by the STB, and the anticipated approval in January of the proposed Caltrain “Pre-HSR” project, means that we will probably have to be back in court very soon. We truly need your help! (AS NOTED ABOVE.)

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