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Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger joined federal, state and local officials at a news conference held in Union Station to announce California's request for more than \$4.7 billion in federal stimulus funding for engineering, design and construction of the state's high-speed train system – nearly a \$10 billion investment when state, local and private matching funds are added. The Governor submitted the state's application Oct. 2 for a share of \$8 billion set aside for high-speed train development under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. *Photos by Juan Ocampo*

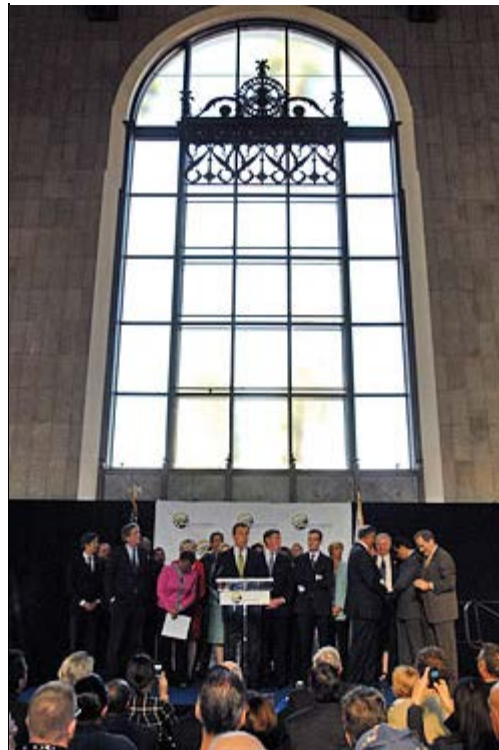
Metro Unites with Governor, Statewide Coalition to Seek Federal High-Speed Train Funds

- [Check it out](#): Metro's High-Speed Train website - LA to Orange County

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(Oct. 6, 2009) Metro joined Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger Oct. 2 as part of a statewide coalition of transportation, labor, environmental groups, public officials and others to seek \$4.7 billion in stimulus funding to begin building California's high speed train network as early as 2012.

There is currently \$8 billion set aside for high-speed train development under the Obama Administration's American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. Unlike other states, California is well positioned to double the value



Civic leaders from Anaheim to Los Angeles share podium with Governor Schwarzenegger in support of initiative.

of a federal contribution with matching funds from its own high speed train bond measure passed in 2008 and other local and private matching funds, bringing potentially \$10 billion in investment for the state's high speed train development efforts.

The state is proposing the only true high-speed train capable of traveling more than 200 miles per hour and is further along in planning than any other similar project in the country. According to the California High Speed Rail Authority, California will soon have the environmental reviews it needs, and can break ground before the federal government's 2012 deadline. Additionally, the statewide project is expected to create nearly 130,000 jobs and pump billions of dollars into the state's economy.

L.A. to Anaheim Segment

California's application includes \$2.19 billion for Los Angeles to Anaheim, including high-speed train facilities at Los Angeles Union Station, Norwalk Station, and the Anaheim Regional Transportation Intermodal Center (ARTIC); right-of-way acquisition, grade-separations, utility relocation, environmental mitigation, earthwork, guideway structures, tunneling, and track work. Jobs created in this corridor are estimated at 53,700.

Last July, the agency's Board approved its support for the development of the California High Speed Rail initiative as well as the first Los Angeles to Anaheim segment.

Both Metro and California High Speed Rail Authority will work together to establish high-speed train service in the Los Angeles Corridor utilizing, among others, Metro-owned facilities and rights-of-way. Metro will ensure full integration of all of its public transit services serving Union Station.



CEO Art Leahy notes Metro's role in the development of California High Speed Rail at news conference.

“Passenger rail ridership for the proposed L.A. to Anaheim high speed rail corridor could some day rival the Washington to Boston train service in the Northeast Corridor,” said Art Leahy, Metro CEO. “Here in Los Angeles, Metro is dedicated to working closely with its corridor cities and the California High Speed Rail Authority to create a mutually beneficial and fully integrated high speed train service that will greatly enhance mobility options between our own densely urbanized metropolitan areas.”

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