

INFORMATIONAL ITEM – NEPA ASSIGNMENT UPDATE

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Background

July 23, 2019 - Authority assumed FRA responsibilities

- Include all major federal environmental laws
- By law, the FRA did not assign responsibilities under the Clean Air Act or those related to Tribal Government consultations

The Authority must continue to:

- Update policies and procedures
- Develop and deliver comprehensive training
- Ensure compliance with federal responsibilities assigned
- Conduct annual self-assessments

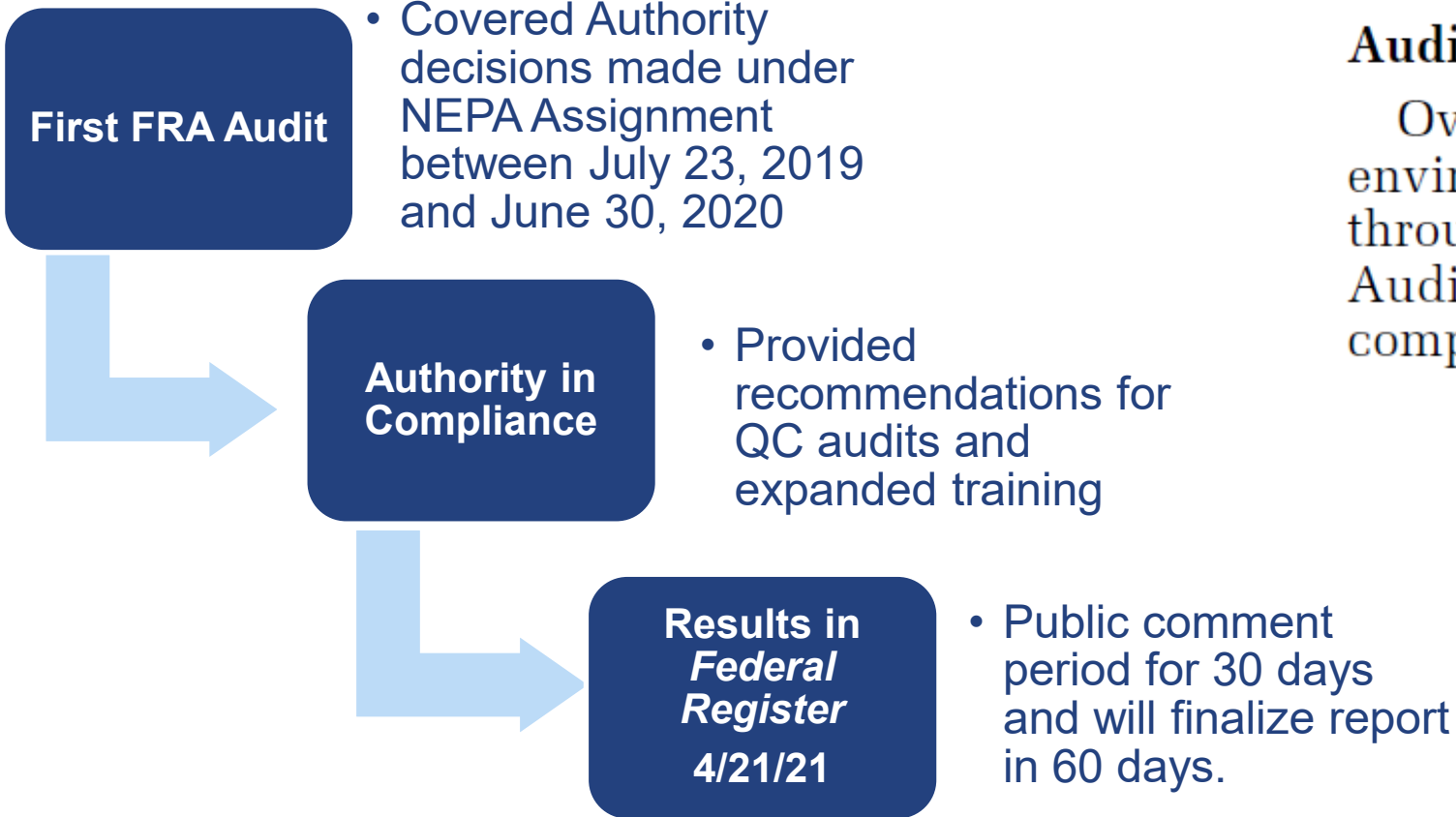
FRA Audit to confirm compliance

- FRA performs annual audits
 - Reviews all NEPA decisions during audit period
- FRA monitors Authority performance after year 4



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FRA Audit



Audit Results

Overall, CHSRA has carried out the environmental responsibilities assumed through the section 327 MOU and the Audit Team found that CHSRA is complying with the section 327 MOU.

<https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2021/04/21/2021-08228/surface-transportation-project-delivery-program-california-high-speed-rail-authority-audit-report>



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Success

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Records of Decision Approved

- Fresno to Bakersfield Locally Generated Alternative
- Merced to Fresno Central Valley Wye

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Reexams completed in the Central Valley construction packages

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Draft Environmental Documents Issued

- San Francisco to San Jose
- San Jose to Merced
- Bakersfield to Palmdale
- Burbank to Los Angeles



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Local Sponsor Projects

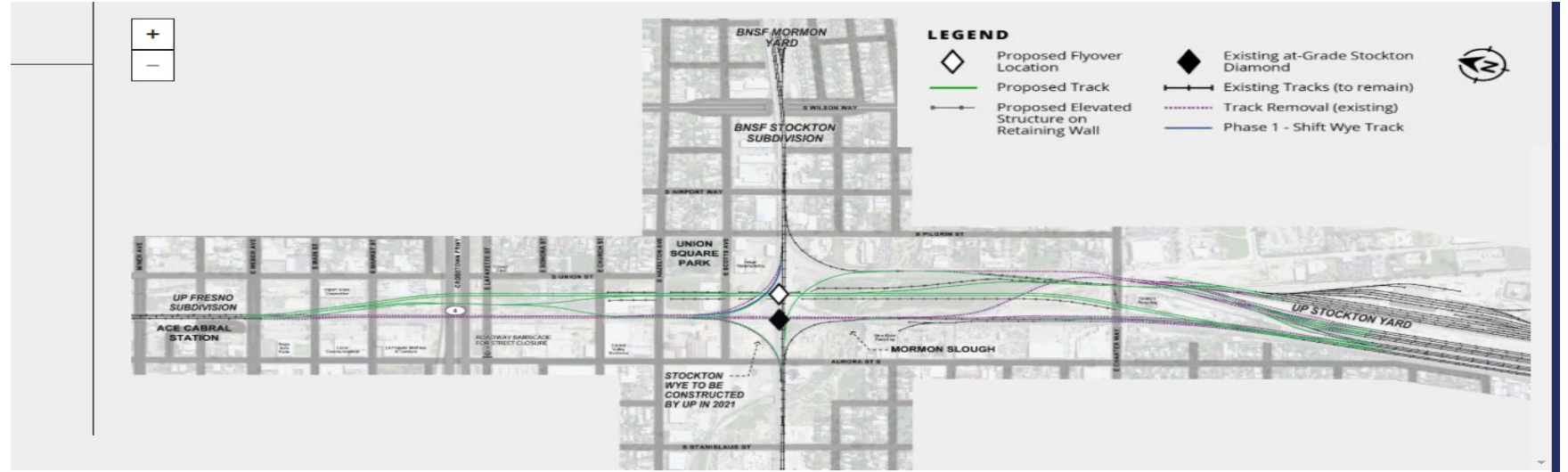
LA Metro Link US

- Ongoing engagement since Aug 2019
- DEIS Summer/Fall 2021



SJRRC Stockton Diamond Grade Separation EA:

- EIR in public review
- EA to follow Summer 2021



QUESTIONS

