

**From:** [Hill, Shannon](#)  
**To:** [Downtown West Project](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Diridon Station Area  
**Date:** Wednesday, July 15, 2020 2:16:58 PM

---

---

**From:** Eidlin, Eric  
**Sent:** Friday, July 10, 2020 3:17 PM  
**To:** Hill, Shannon <Shannon.Hill@sanjoseca.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Diridon Station Area

Here for Caltrain.

Still waiting in CAHSR.

Will follow up with that info.

Best,  
Eric

**From:** Reggiardo, Melissa [<mailto:reggiardom@samtrans.com>]  
**Sent:** Friday, July 10, 2020 2:54 PM  
**To:** Eidlin, Eric <[eric.eidlin@sanjoseca.gov](mailto:eric.eidlin@sanjoseca.gov)>; [kelly.doyle@hsr.ca.gov](mailto:kelly.doyle@hsr.ca.gov)  
**Subject:** RE: Your boards' adoption of Concept Layout

[External Email]

Hi Eric,

Here are the minutes from when we sought and received approval regarding Decisions 1 and 2:  
<https://www.caltrain.com/Assets/Minutes.pdf>

And here are the minutes from when Decision 3 was approved via consent:  
[https://www.caltrain.com/Assets/\\$!235a.2+--+2020-02-06+JPB+Regular+Meeting+DRAFT+Minutes+-+Copy.pdf](https://www.caltrain.com/Assets/$!235a.2+--+2020-02-06+JPB+Regular+Meeting+DRAFT+Minutes+-+Copy.pdf)

Is this sufficient? Let me know.

Thanks,  
Melissa

---

**From:** Hill, Shannon

**Sent:** Friday, July 10, 2020 9:29 AM  
**To:** Eidlin, Eric <[eric.eidlin@sanjoseca.gov](mailto:eric.eidlin@sanjoseca.gov)>  
**Subject:** RE: Diridon Station Area

Great, thanks Eric!

Shannon Hill, Planner  
Planning, Building & Code Enforcement | Environmental Review Section  
City of San José | 200 East Santa Clara Street  
[Shannon.Hill@sanjoseca.gov](mailto:Shannon.Hill@sanjoseca.gov) | (408) 535 - 7872

---

**From:** Eidlin, Eric  
**Sent:** Friday, July 10, 2020 8:38 AM  
**To:** Hill, Shannon <[Shannon.Hill@sanjoseca.gov](mailto:Shannon.Hill@sanjoseca.gov)>  
**Subject:** Re: Diridon Station Area

Hi Shannon,

Yes, both voted to approve the Concept Layout.

Am tracking down the documentation and will forward shortly.

Best,

**ERIC EIDLIN, AICP**  
Station Planning Manager  
Regional Rail Division  
City of San Jose Department of Transportation  
[200 E Santa Clara St, San Jose, CA 95113](https://www.sanjoseca.gov/200-E-Santa-Clara-St-San-Jose-CA-95113)  
[408.795.1638](tel:408.795.1638)

On Jul 9, 2020, at 15:13, Hill, Shannon <[Shannon.Hill@sanjoseca.gov](mailto:Shannon.Hill@sanjoseca.gov)> wrote:

Hi Eric,

Please refer to the summary from Karl at ESA in the next email below. Do you know if Caltrain or CHSR boards voted to accept/endorse the Concept Layout? If so, do you have documentation of that?

Thanks!

Shannon Hill, Planner  
Planning, Building & Code Enforcement | Environmental Review Section  
City of San José | 200 East Santa Clara Street

---

**From:** Karl Heisler <[KHeisler@esassoc.com](mailto:KHeisler@esassoc.com)>  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 9, 2020 2:30 PM  
**To:** Hill, Shannon <[Shannon.Hill@sanjoseca.gov](mailto:Shannon.Hill@sanjoseca.gov)>  
**Cc:** Keyon, David <[david.keyon@sanjoseca.gov](mailto:david.keyon@sanjoseca.gov)>; Pete Choi <[PChoi@esassoc.com](mailto:PChoi@esassoc.com)>; Hillary Gitelman <[HGitelman@esassoc.com](mailto:HGitelman@esassoc.com)>  
**Subject:** RE: Diridon Station Area

[External Email]

Thank you. Here is the language we've written up so far:

In April 2020, the California High-Speed Rail Authority published the Draft EIS/EIR (DEIS/R) for that project's San Jose to Merced Project Section. The DEIS/R evaluated four alternatives in addition to a No Project Alternative. Three of the alternatives would entail construction of elevated tracks through the Diridon Station area and an elevated station. The Authority's Preferred Alternative, Alternative 4, envisions at-grade tracks through the Diridon Station area and an at-grade station. The Preferred Alternative, therefore, would not conform with the preferred Concept Layout that has been developed through the DISC planning process (discussed immediately below). As acknowledged in the DEIS/R, "The ongoing multi-agency Diridon Integrated Station Concept (DISC) planning process is a separate planning process and decisions about future changes to the Diridon station and the surrounding, Caltrain-owned rail infrastructure and corridor are the subject of multiple planning and agreement processes that are proceeding independently from this [High-Speed Rail] environmental process."

**Karl F. Heisler**

ESA | Environmental Science Associates

***Note that I am working remotely – call or text my mobile at (415) 377-5303.***

550 Kearny Street, Suite 800  
San Francisco, CA 94108-2512  
phn 415.896.5900 | fax 415.896.0332

---

**From:** Hill, Shannon <[Shannon.Hill@sanjoseca.gov](mailto:Shannon.Hill@sanjoseca.gov)>  
**Sent:** Thursday, July 9, 2020 2:28 PM  
**To:** Karl Heisler <[KHeisler@esassoc.com](mailto:KHeisler@esassoc.com)>  
**Cc:** Keyon, David <[david.keyon@sanjoseca.gov](mailto:david.keyon@sanjoseca.gov)>; Pete Choi <[PChoi@esassoc.com](mailto:PChoi@esassoc.com)>; Hillary Gitelman <[HGitelman@esassoc.com](mailto:HGitelman@esassoc.com)>

**Subject:** RE: Diridon Station Area

Hi Karl,

Yes, Lori is still on maternity leave. I will check in with our DOT team to get an answer for you on whether or not Caltrain or CHSR boards voted to accept/endorse the Concept Layout and will send additional documentation from DOT on the "Concept Layout" because if I remember correctly, it is not at-grade.

Best,

Shannon Hill, Planner

Planning, Building & Code Enforcement | Environmental Review Section

City of San José | 200 East Santa Clara Street

[Shannon.Hill@sanjoseca.gov](mailto:Shannon.Hill@sanjoseca.gov) | (408) 535 - 7872

---

**From:** Karl Heisler <[KHeisler@esassoc.com](mailto:KHeisler@esassoc.com)>

**Sent:** Thursday, July 9, 2020 1:53 PM

**To:** Hill, Shannon <[Shannon.Hill@sanjoseca.gov](mailto:Shannon.Hill@sanjoseca.gov)>

**Cc:** Keyon, David <[david.keyon@sanjoseca.gov](mailto:david.keyon@sanjoseca.gov)>; Pete Choi <[PChoi@esassoc.com](mailto:PChoi@esassoc.com)>;

Hillary Gitelman <[HGitelman@esassoc.com](mailto:HGitelman@esassoc.com)>

**Subject:** Diridon Station Area

[External Email]

Shannon: Do you know if Lori Severino is on maternity leave? I have some questions about the DISC process and I was going to ask her, but I think she might be out. This stems from the fact that we are trying to include a brief summary of the High-Speed Rail Authority's recently published EIS/EIR for the San Jose to Merced section. From what I can understand, the Preferred Alternative is at-grade through the Diridon Station area. However, the DISC website states, "In February, the San Jose City Council, Caltrain Board, and High-Speed Rail Authority Board accepted the staff-recommended Concept Layout." I can confirm that the City Council endorsed the Concept Layout (and that the VTA board did so in June). However, I don't find any evidence that either the Caltrain or CHSR boards voted to accept/endorse the Concept Layout.

Thanks.

**Karl F. Heisler**

Senior Technical Associate

**ESA | Environmental Science Associates**

*Celebrating 50 Years of Work that Matters!!*

***Note that I am working remotely – call or text my mobile at (415) 377-5303.***

550 Kearny Street, Suite 800  
San Francisco, CA 94108-2512  
phn 415.896.5900 | fax 415.896.0332  
[kheisler@esassoc.com](mailto:kheisler@esassoc.com) | [esassoc.com](http://esassoc.com)

Follow us on [LinkedIn](#) | [Facebook](#) | [Twitter](#) | [Instagram](#) | [Vimeo](#)

This message is from outside the City email system. Do not open links or attachments from untrusted sources.

This message is from outside the City email system. Do not open links or attachments from untrusted sources.