



Run Through Tracks Final EIR Completed

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Caltrans has completed the Final Environmental Impact Report and Statement (FEIR/EIS) for the proposed Los Angeles Union Station Run Through Tracks project.

This project would extend four of Union Station's existing tracks southward and provide a new connection into the Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF) Railway tracks on the west side of the Los Angeles River. This would give Metrolink and Amtrak trains serving Union Station the ability to exit south through the station instead of backing out through the same way they came in. As a result, trains would avoid the pull in/back out situation that causes delays either at the station platforms or on the connecting tracks while waiting for a slot at the platforms.

Based on this FIER/EIS, Caltrans chose Alternative A-1 as the preferred alternative. Alternative A-1 consists of an aerial structure over U.S. 101, then forming an S-curve towards the east before lowering to join existing rail tracks south of Union Station. The four tracks from Union Station will merge as two tracks on the aerial structure.

Copies of the FEIR/EIS are available at the following locations:

Caltrans District 7
100 Main Street
Los Angeles, CA

Los Angeles Central Library
630 W. 5th Street
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Questions about the Final EIR/EIS should be directed to Ms. Gary Iverson at the following address:

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