



# CITY OF PALMDALE

## Palmdale High-Speed Rail Station Area Plan

### Project Overview

The City of Palmdale is undertaking station area planning around a future High-Speed Rail (HSR) Multi-Modal Station near the vicinity of downtown Palmdale. The study area for this effort is bound by Rancho Vista Boulevard to the north, Avenue R to the south, SR 14 to the west and 15th Street to the east. The primary focus area for the project encompasses approximately one-half mile around the planned HSR station to be located in the proximity of the current Palmdale Transit Center (see map).

As a part of the project the Station Area Plan (SAP) will analyze the benefits a HSR station will generate for the City of Palmdale and the Antelope Valley. It will develop urban design recommendations, establish a mobility strategy, and identify economic development opportunities. Additionally it will evaluate opportunities for improvements to jobs, housing, retail, entertainment, art, cultural amenities, pedestrian and bicycle access, parking, streetscape improvements, lighting, wayfinding, open space and recreation, and sustainability.

When complete, the SAP will be a vision document for the development of the HSR station area and a guide for the development of economic opportunities for the future of the City of Palmdale and the region as a whole.

### Project Goals

As a vision document the Palmdale SAP will deliver on the following goals:

- Enhance local and regional multi-modal transportation options
- Create short and long-term economic development opportunities
- Generate opportunities for transit-oriented development (TOD)
- Promote smart growth development opportunities

### PALMDALE HSR SAP STUDY AREA

**LEGEND**

- High Desert Corridor Alignment
- Ave Q Study Area
- TOD3 Study Area
- Study Area
- High-Speed Rail Alignment
- Proposed Express West Alignment



## Station Area Plan Components

To successfully deliver on the City's vision for the SAP it will include the following components:

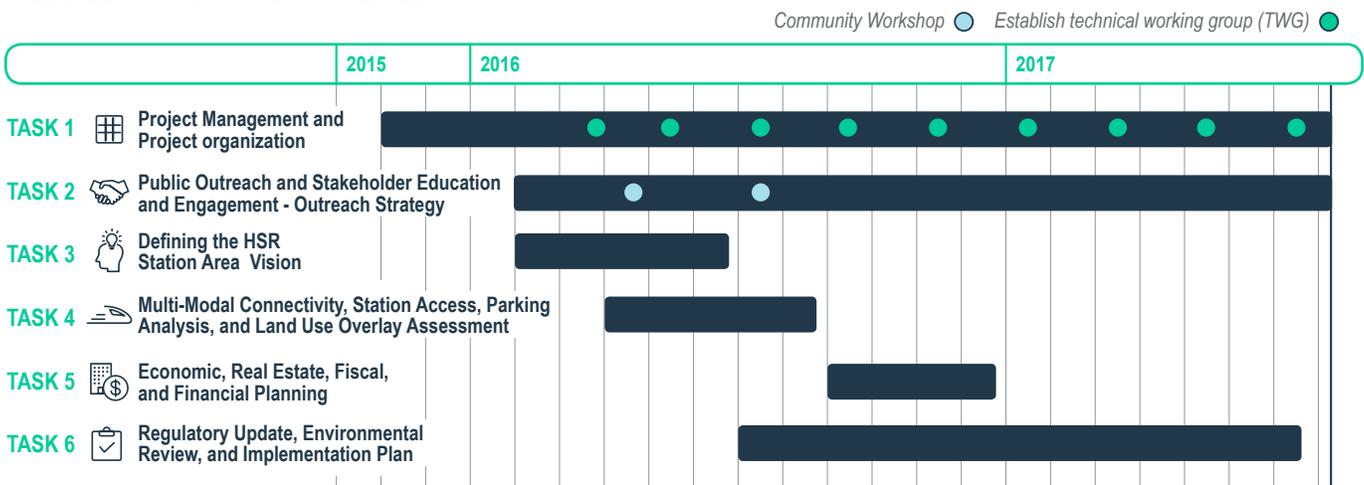
- Station Area Vision
- Multi-Modal Circulation Element
- Economic, Financial, and Fiscal Planning
- Updates to the Regulatory Framework

The Palmdale SAP will be developed over an 18 month period. The schedule below illustrates some of the key activities during that period and identifies key opportunities for community participation.

## Community Involvement

The City of Palmdale is providing public involvement opportunities throughout the development of the SAP, including Technical Working Group meetings, visioning workshops, stakeholder meetings, student engagement, and other public meetings. In addition the City is communicating with real-time information available on the Project's Website and Facebook page. Please plan on attending the public meetings and stay involved by visiting the project website or by contacting us via any of the following methods:

### PALMDALE HSR SAP PROJECT SCHEDULE



## FAQ

### What is HSR?

High-Speed Rail is a state-of-the-art, world-class rail transportation system that is designed to run up to 220 miles per hour, providing a safe, efficient, and reliable option for travel to and from urban centers. The stations are typically 30+ miles apart from each other to allow trains to pick-up higher speeds. HSR is a proven mode of transit that operates in 12 different countries, with Japan operating the first HSR system since 1964.

The California HSR system will be the first in the United States. By 2029, the system will run from San Francisco to the Los Angeles basin in under three hours. The system will eventually extend to Sacramento and San Diego, totaling 800 miles with up to 24 stations, including the Palmdale HSR Station. In addition, the California Authority High Speed Rail is working with regional partners to implement a statewide rail modernization plan that will invest billions of dollars in local and regional rail lines to meet the state's 21st Century transportation needs.

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