



# San Diego LOSSAN Rail Realignment Project Update

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# Engaging with the Community

Events and office hours



5 Public Workshops

Community Field Office

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How we heard from you



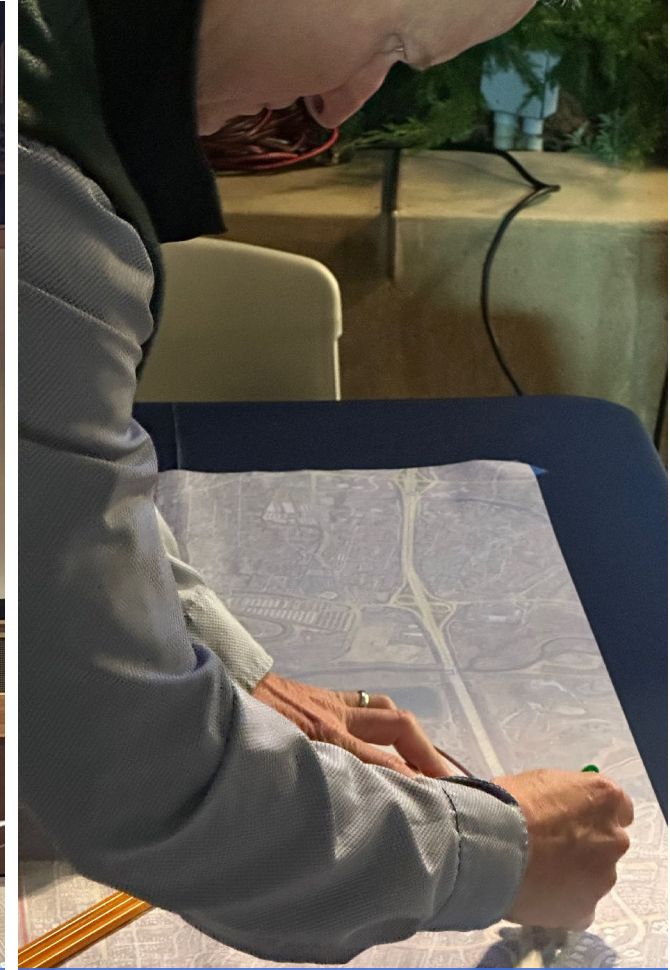
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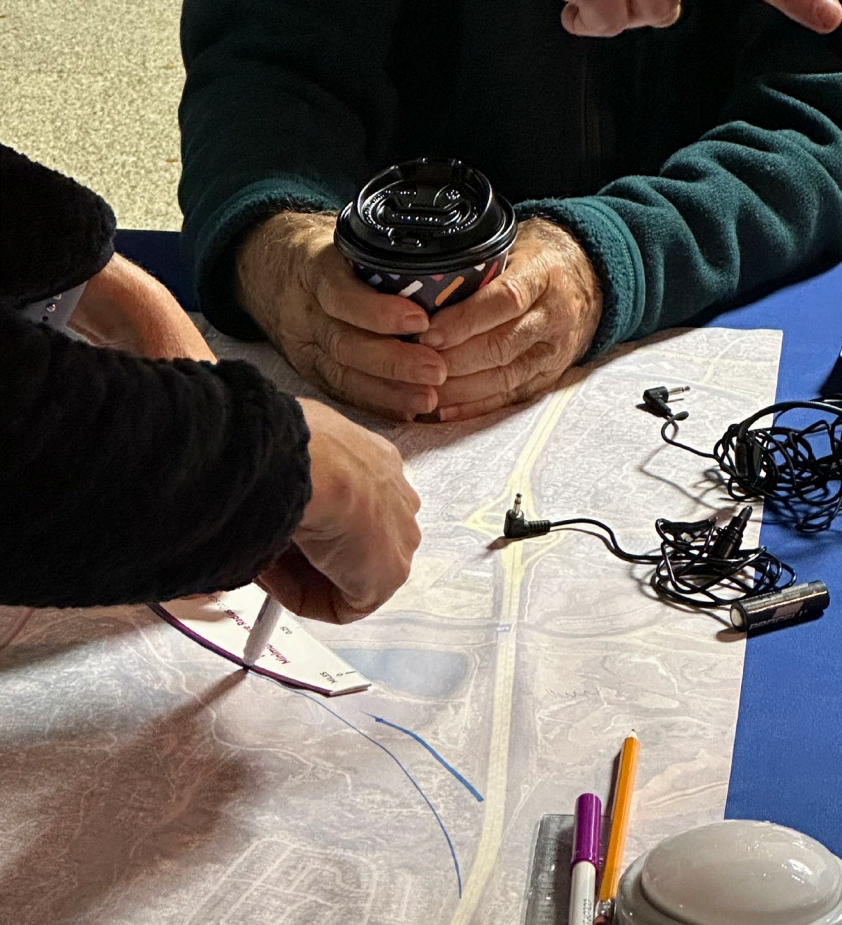
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**Drawn Alignment  
Suggestions**

# What We Heard

## Themes



**Consider Other Alignments**



**Project Development Process**



**Additional Technical Information**

# Project Goals

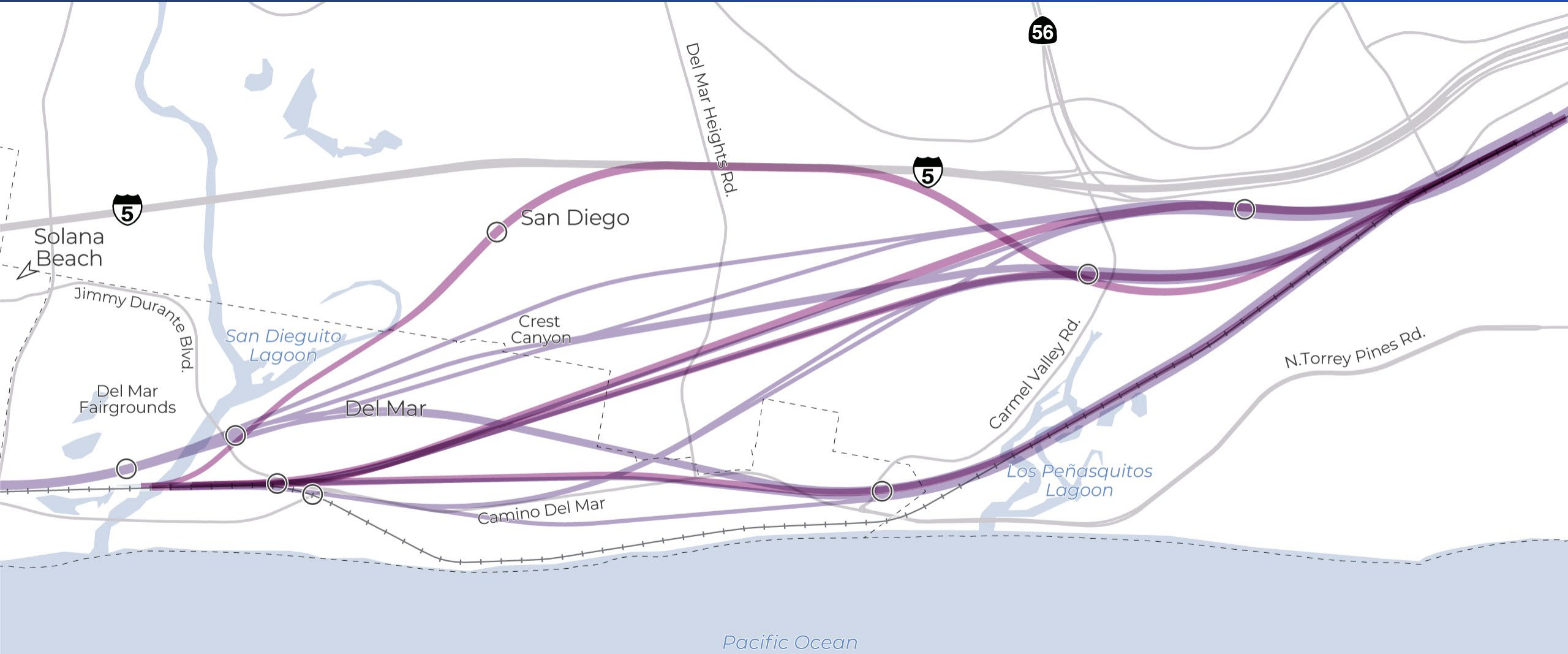


1. Relocate from Bluffs
2. Minimize Community Impacts

3. Improve Travel Times
  - Straighten Curves
  - Double Track

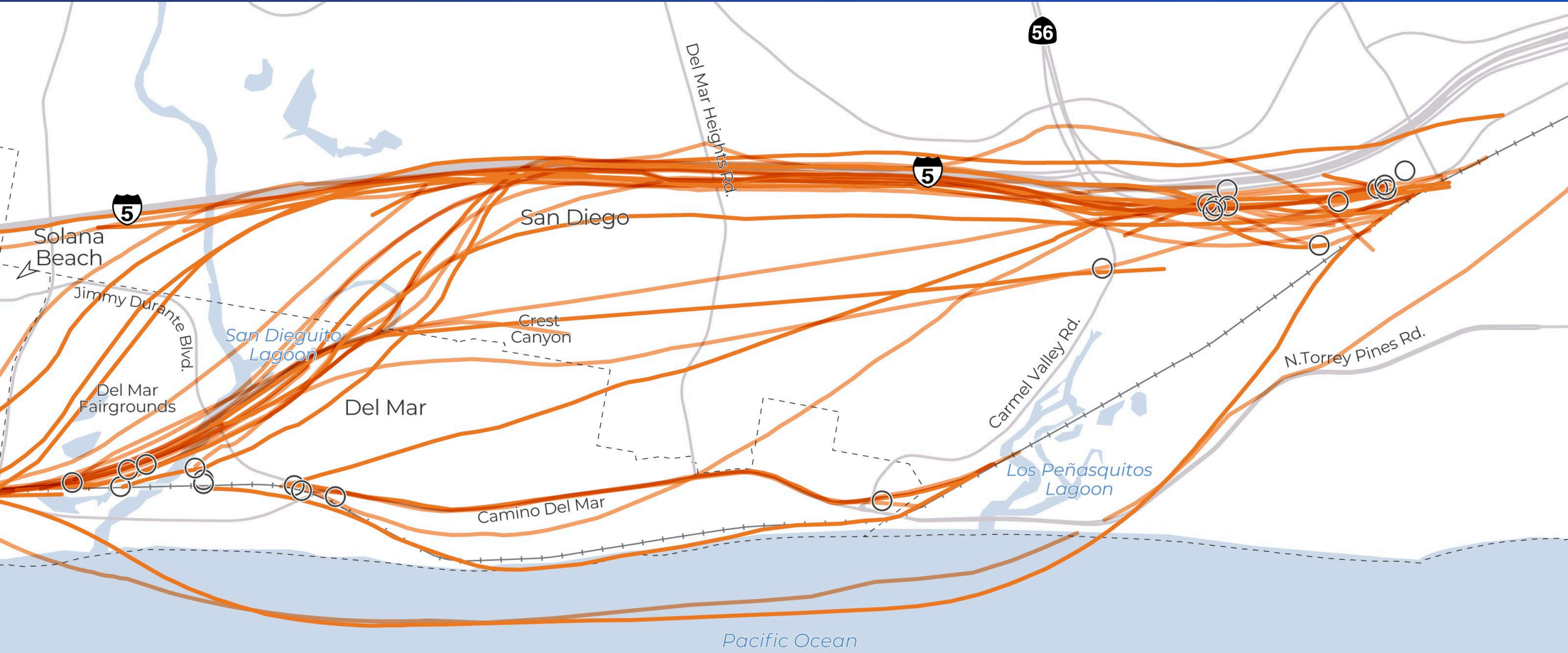
4. Coastal Access & Safety
5. Preserve Wetlands

# Alignments Previously Identified



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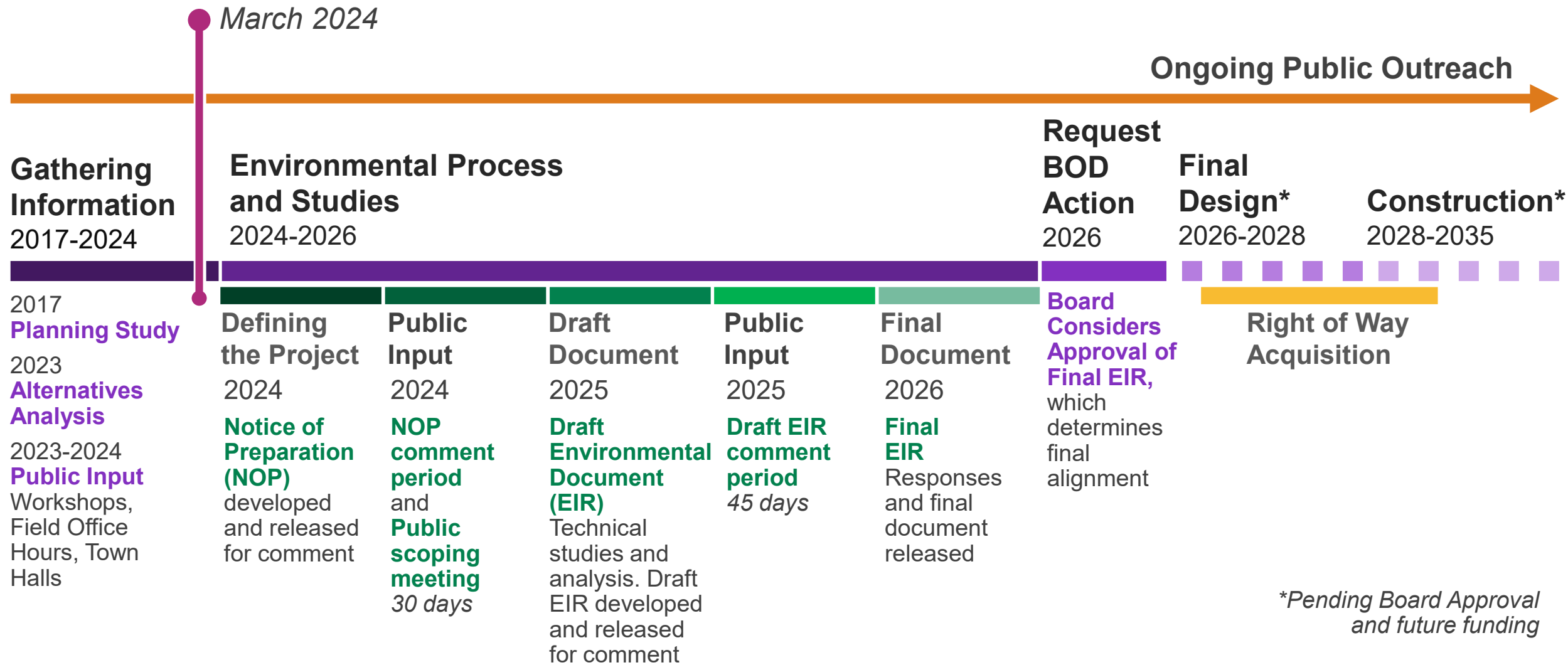
# Alignments from Public Input



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# Project Timeline

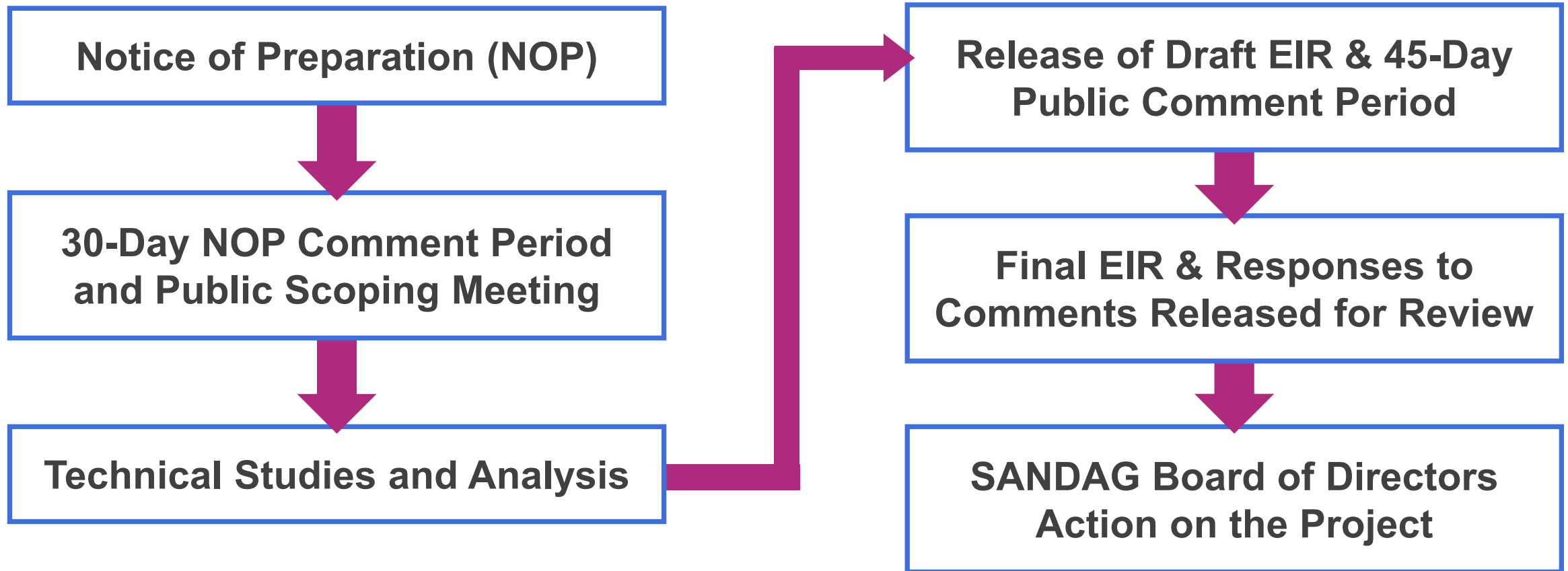
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*\*Pending Board Approval and future funding*



# CEQA Process Overview



# Upcoming Technical Studies

## 2024-2026

- **Environment**

- Air Quality and Emissions Reports
- Biological Resource Report
- Electromagnetic Field Study
- Geotechnical and Seismic Technical Study
- Paleontological Report and Mitigation Plan

- **Safety**

- Overall Safety and Security Report and Management Plans
- Hazardous Materials Report

- **Economic**

- Economic and Fiscal Technical Study and Cost Analysis
- Growth-Inducing Effects Technical Memo
- Cost Benefit Analysis

- **Community**

- Community Impact Assessments
- Tribal Cultural Reports
- Public Services Technical Memo
- Utilities Technical Study
- Visual Resources Report
- Water Quality and Hydrology Report
- Construction Methods Technical Report

- **Land Use**

- Right of Way Technical Report
- Cultural Resources Evaluation and Assessment and Monitoring and Discovery Plan
- Land Use Technical Report

- **Mobility**

- Transportation Technical Memorandum and Impact Report

# LOSSAN is Vital to San Diego County

## Potential results of prolonged interruption of rail service:

- Increased congestion on I-5 and I-15 (from freight and passenger being diverted off rail and into vehicles)
- Job and GDP loss felt across sectors in the region, including construction, warehousing, retail trade, and tourism
- Risk of port tenants relocating to another port for more favorable transportation



# Interagency Coordination



## **When will decisions be made on selecting alternatives and portals?**

A range of alternatives will be identified in Spring 2024. The final selection of alternatives will occur in 2026. All options are currently on the table.

## **Are borings and other environmental studies being conducted?**

- Initial geotechnical borings were conducted in 2021 to support the 2023 Alternatives Analysis study.
- Additional geotechnical borings will be done starting Spring 2024. SANDAG will notify the public via mail, email, and our website.

## **Will property need to be acquired as part of the realignment?**

- It is too early in the planning process to know any specific details.
- For information on the real estate process, see the Real Estate and LOSSAN Rail Realignment page on [sandag.org/lossan](https://sandag.org/lossan).

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**Look forward to  
scoping in Spring 2024!**

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