

BARSTOW INTERNATIONAL GATEWAY PROJECT

PROJECT MILESTONE

The Barstow City Council has approved the Barstow International Gateway project, a major milestone for one of the most significant freight infrastructure investments in California history. The project was also certified by Governor Gavin Newsom under SB 149, a state law that accelerates critical infrastructure projects. BIG is the first transportation-related project in California to receive this certification, and one of only 10 projects statewide to earn the designation.

PROJECT OVERVIEW

BNSF Railway plans to invest more than \$4 billion to construct a state-of-the-art master-planned rail facility in Southern California – and the first being developed by a Class 1 railroad. This facility will help reduce highway congestion, transform the regional economy, and unlock critical efficiencies to meet our nation's supply chain demands.

The Barstow International Gateway will be a new integrated rail facility on 4,500+ acres on the west side of Barstow, consisting of a rail yard, intermodal facility and warehouses for transloading freight from international containers to domestic containers.

The facility will allow the direct transfer of containers from ships at the Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach to trains for transport through the Alameda Corridor onto the BNSF mainline up to Barstow.

Once the containers reach the Barstow International Gateway, they will be processed at the facility using clean-energy powered cargo-handling equipment, and then staged and built into trains moving east via BNSF's network across the nation. Westbound freight will similarly be processed at the facility to more efficiently bring trains to the ports and other California terminals.

PROJECT BENEFITS



ECONOMY

- Brings thousands of direct and indirect jobs to High Desert communities and reduces commute times for hundreds of local employees
- Keeps the Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach competitive by locating the first integrated rail and transload complex within 130 miles
- Supports a robust, reliable, and efficient supply chain that American families and businesses rely on
- BNSF signed Project Labor Agreements to ensure union labor for construction



ENVIRONMENT

- Truck traffic at the ports and on freeways throughout the Los Angeles Basin and Inland Empire will be significantly reduced
- Rail and distribution efficiency will be maximized regionally and across the U.S. supply chain by allowing more efficient transfer of cargo directly between ships and rail
- Will run a dedicated Tier 4 locomotive fleet between the Ports and BIG, and partner with regional air quality regulators to test Tier 4 hybrid linehaul locomotives
- Will use zero-emission equipment, such as electric cranes and cargo handling equipment
- The railyard will be powered by a 140-acre solar farm, rooftop solar on warehouses, and solar canopies



COMMUNITY

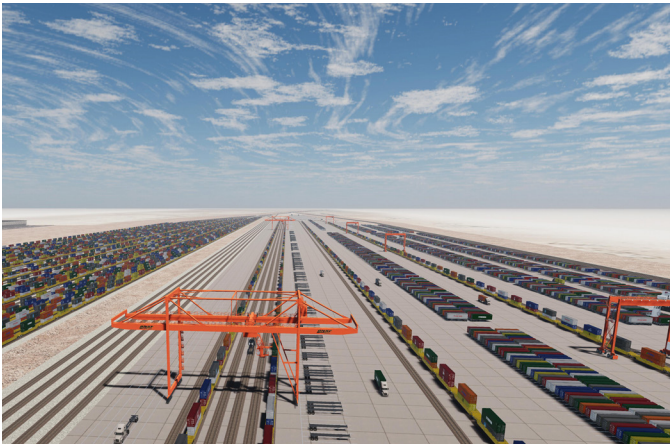
- Strategically located near primarily undeveloped land not adjacent to urbanized areas which will minimize potential community impacts
- Moves freight off the roads and onto rail, alleviating highway congestion on Southern California freeways and reducing the costs taxpayers incur for road maintenance



PROJECT NEED

The Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach are the largest in the nation, handling nearly 30% of all goods entering the United States and supporting one in nine jobs across Southern California. As e-commerce and import volumes have grown, the region's supply chain has struggled to keep pace. Today, most international cargo is trucked from the ports to warehouses in Los Angeles and the Inland Empire, then re-loaded and trucked again to a railyard, adding unnecessary trips, congestion, and cost.

The Barstow International Gateway removes those extra truck trips by moving cargo directly from the ports through the Alameda Corridor to Barstow, where it's processed and loaded onto trains for the rest of its journey.



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BNSF IN CALIFORNIA

2025 Employees: 3,100+
2025 Combined Payroll: \$403M
Route Miles: 913

ABOUT BNSF RAILWAY

BNSF Railway is one of North America's leading freight transportation companies. BNSF operates approximately 32,500 route miles of track in 28 states and also operates in three Canadian provinces.

BNSF's shipments help feed, clothe, supply, and power American homes and businesses every day. BNSF and its employees have developed one of the most technologically advanced and efficient railroads in the industry. We work continuously to improve the value of the safety, service, energy, and environmental benefits we provide to our customers and the communities we serve.



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