

## **7A ADDITIONAL DESIGN FEATURES AND MITIGATION STRATEGIES**

In response to comments on the Partially Revised Draft Program EIR, the Authority is adding the following design features and mitigation strategies to the document.

### **Hydrology and Water Resources**

Project-level design for the HST will adhere to NFIP floodplain management building requirements and the Authority will consult with local agencies as part of second-tier, project-level EIR/EIS analysis.

(in response to FEMA Region IX letter)

### **Aesthetics and Visual Resources**

Design soundwalls for the HST and for the shift of Monterey Highway with aesthetic treatments in visually sensitive environments, including artistic elements, color, landscape screening or signage to enhance the appearance of soundwalls.

(in response to letters from City of Palo Alto and Citizens for California High Speed Rail Accountability)