

July 1, 2026

Chairman Smith and Members of the Board
Nevada High-Speed Rail Authority
c/o Regional Transportation Commission of Southern Nevada
600 S. Grand Central Parkway, Suite 350
Las Vegas, NV 89106

Re: July 2026 Brightline West Report

Dear Chairman Smith and Members of the Board:

Since our last report in January 2026, Brightline West (BLW) has continued to make progress in the development of high-speed passenger rail service between Las Vegas and Southern California. The purpose of this letter is to provide a status update on the project.

From January through June 2026, BLW conducted ongoing public affairs and stakeholder outreach across Nevada and Southern California, engaging elected officials, agencies, first responders, and community organizations. These efforts supported timely information-sharing on construction activity, safety coordination, and project milestones as work advanced into active construction phases.

BLW has executed multiple agreements related to final design and construction of the high-speed rail project. Since our last report in January, agreements related to several additional scopes, including railroad systems, trackwork, grading, and certain stations have been executed. The remaining construction agreements are in advanced stages of negotiation. In April 2026, BLW and NDOT executed the Operations and Maintenance Agreement for the BLW system within the I-15 right-of-way between Las Vegas and the Nevada/California border. We are advancing multiple additional agency agreements in both Nevada and California that we expect to execute soon. Ongoing project development activities continue to be supported by proceeds from private activity bonds issued in California and Nevada, alongside the \$3 billion grant awarded under the Federal-State Partnership for Intercity Passenger Rail Program.

Manufacture of the Siemens high-speed trainsets also continues to progress. Testing of certain components has been completed or is underway. The first two car bodies to be used in trainsets have been completed. Construction of the new Siemens facility in Horseheads, New York, where the remaining trainsets will be assembled, is progressing and is on course for completion later this year.

Our team is available to answer any questions.

Sincerely,

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Sarah Watterson
President