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MEDIA RELEASE

SMART QUIET ZONES WILL BE ESTABLISHED JUNE 7, 2017

Santa Rosa, CA (May 19, 2017) – On Wednesday, June 7, 2017, Quiet Zones will be established within the City limits of Santa Rosa. SMART trains will continue to roll through, but train crews will no longer sound their horns at grade crossings along the City of Santa Rosa corridor. Since public safety is still foremost, train horns can still be sounded in an emergency and at stations.

In accordance City Council’s resolution passed in January 31, 2017, the City Manager has directed staff to submit the Notice of Establishment for Quiet Zones within the City limits of Santa Rosa. Per the City request, the Quiet Zones will be established beginning on June 7, 2017 and train horns will not sound at grade crossings unless necessary to avoid an incident.

City of Santa Rosa Quiet Zones will include all of the grade crossings from San Miguel Road to Bellevue Avenue within the City limits. Quiet zones, which require Federal Railroad Administration approval, reduce the amount of noise generated by train horns by increasing safety measures at railroad crossings.

Signs will be placed in accordance with California regulations at each crossing throughout Santa Rosa to alert drivers that the horns will not be sounded. The lights and bells that activate at the crossings will continue to be in effect for the safety of people and motorists.

For more information, <http://srcity.org/2268/SMART-Train-Quiet-Zone>

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