

High-speed rail team opens Fresno office Tuesday

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An open house Tuesday afternoon will celebrate the opening of Fresno offices for Tutor Perini/Zachry/Parsons, the joint engineering and construction team hired to design and build the first section of high-speed rail in the Fresno-Madera area.

The three firms combined to win a \$985 million contract from the California High-Speed Rail Authority for the 29-mile section. The joint venture's local offices are in three floors of the Grand Tower, the former San Joaquin Power Co. building at 1401 Fulton St. in downtown Fresno. Also in the building are PGH Wong Engineering and Harris & Associates, hired by the rail authority for engineering and project management work.

The open house event is being organized by the Fresno County Economic Development Corp., the Fresno Chamber of Commerce and the Downtown Fresno Partnership. The event is from 3 to 6 p.m. on the third floor of the Grand Tower building. Speakers will include Fresno County EDC president Lee Ann Eager, Fresno Mayor Ashley Swearengin and rail