

## Social and Community Resources

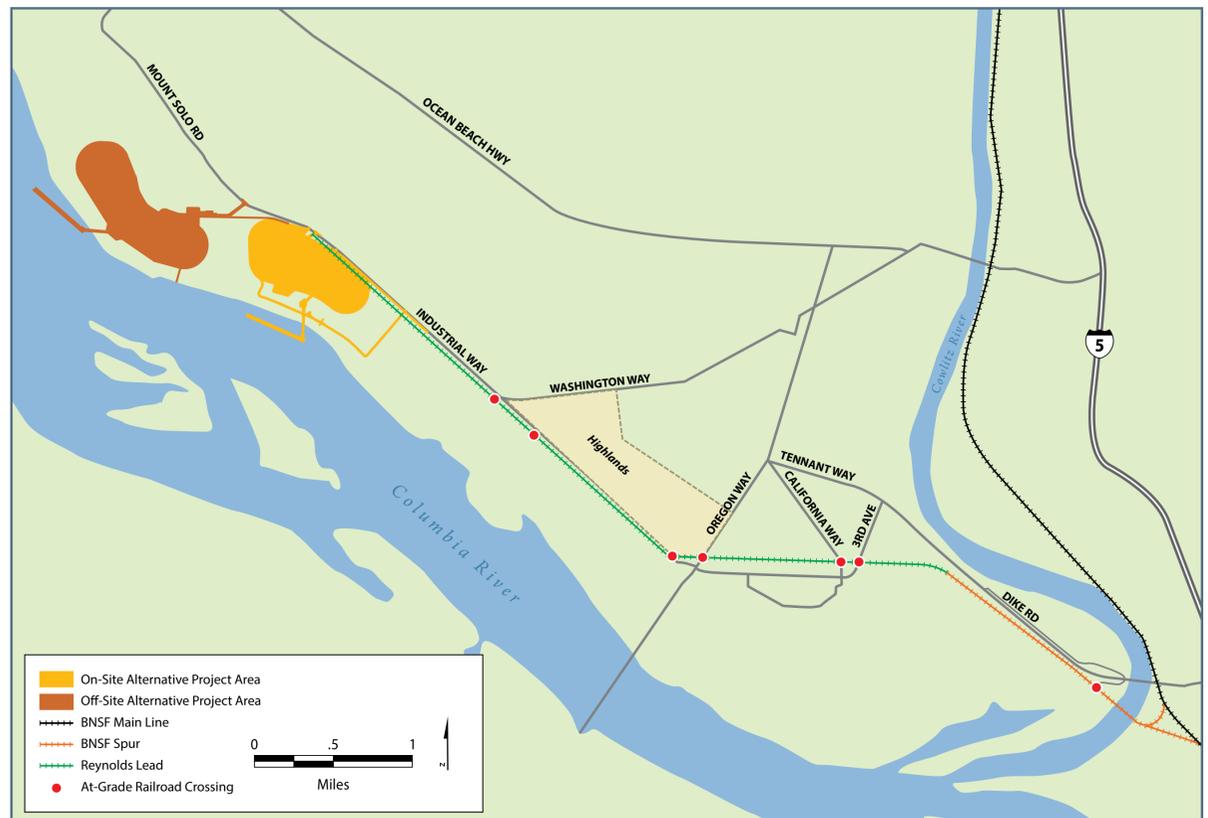
Construction and operation of the proposed export terminal could affect social and community resources. Social and community resources include the public services, population characteristics, economic activity, and utility services.

### The study analyzed:

- Potential impacts on:
  - social and community cohesion and public services;
  - the local economy;
  - utility services; and
  - environmental justice.

### The study found:

- Construction – Construction would not substantially affect social and community cohesion, public services, or utility services, nor would it affect minority or low-income populations more than the general population. Construction could benefit the economy with temporary construction jobs and state and local tax revenue.
- Operations - Trains serving the proposed export terminal could affect vehicle traffic, access to public services, and movement of emergency vehicles. Trains could also increase noise levels in Archie Anderson Park, along the Highlands Trail, and in Gerhart Gardens Park. Noise from train horns could impact residences in minority and low-income communities (such as the Highlands neighborhood) along the Reynolds Lead rail line. Operation of the proposed export terminal could create new jobs and generate state and local tax revenue.



*Trains serving the proposed export terminal would travel along the Reynolds Lead, near minority and low-income populations such as the Highlands neighborhood*

### What could be done to reduce impacts?

- Support the implementation of a Quiet Zone for rail crossings on the Reynolds Lead. Train horns would not be required in a Quiet Zone as long as safety requirements are met.

If a Quiet Zone is not built on the Reynolds Lead, the noise impacts from train horns would disproportionately affect low-income and minority populations.