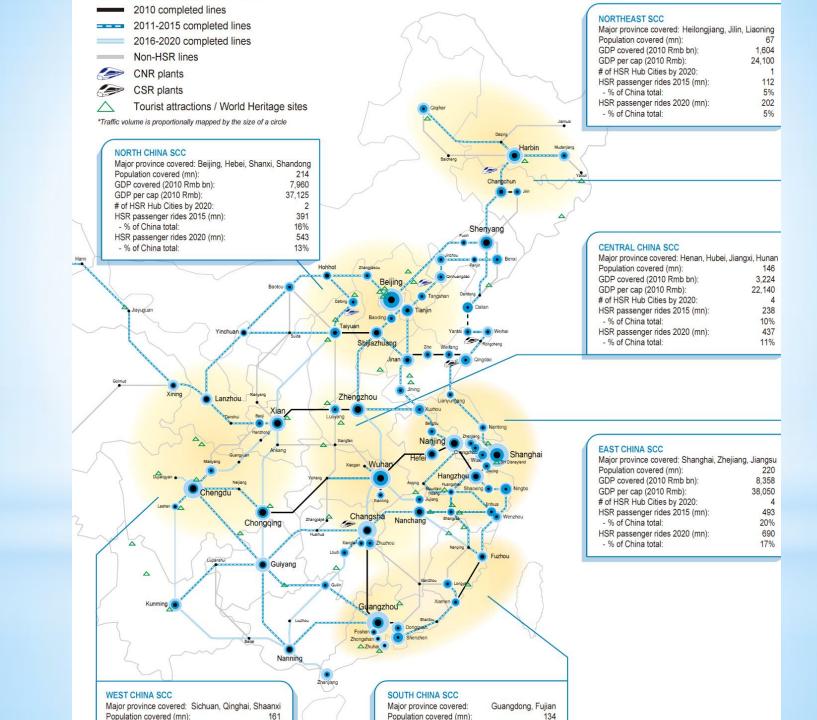
*Megaprojects

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*High Speed Rail





- *30,000 km
- *250 cities spanning a population of 700m
- *4 billion trips/year
- *1,600 bn passenger-km/year by 2020
- *Super-city clusters 4 new (North, West, North-east, Centre), 2 expanded (South, East) in 10 years (travel radii of 3 hours)
- *Benefits for economically challenged cities in west and central China







*Ecocities



- *3,000 hectares
- *352,000 residents
- *residential (75%);
- *mixed uses, commercial, industrial and social infrastructure

*Tianjin



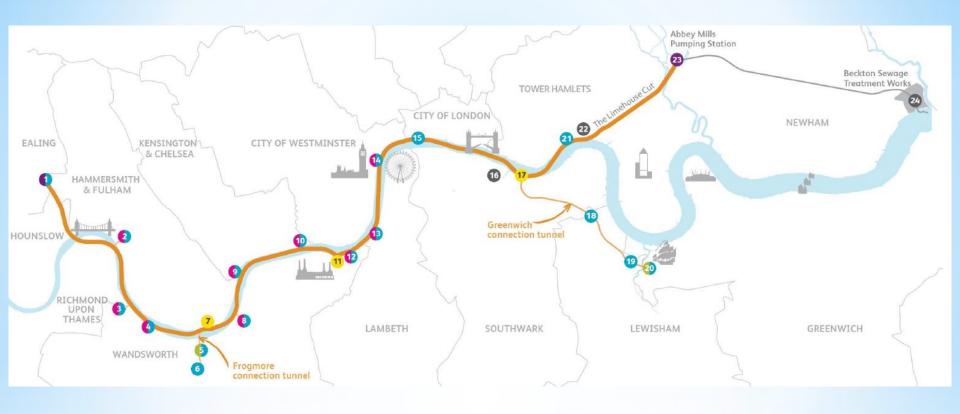
- *8,400 ha
- *500,000 residents
- *Renewable energy
- *Water treatment
- *Waste recycled
- *Low noise
- *Light pollution
- *Zero-emission transport

*Pongtan

- *The promoter is in jail
- *Site is a world heritage scientific site
- *Project stalled ...
- *... although there are now some indications that something might happen elsewhere on the island



*Other projects



*Thames Tunnel

- *25km
- *15m diameter
- *<67m below ground
- *Connects to the 34 most polluting sewers

*Thames Tunnel

- *Very expensive
- *Technical opposition
- *Public consultation still underway



- *Everybody loves them
 - *Engineers
 - * Planners
 - * Politicians
 - * Financiers
- *Do people?
- *What problem are they trying to solve?

*So, what is it about megaprojects?

*Transoceánica



- *Misses western ports
- *Problem crossing the Andes cordillera
- *Journey time is it really competitive?
- *Is there an economic/business case?
- *Is there a political/geographical case?







- * Equitable access to
 - * Markets within Latin America
 - * Markets beyond Latin America
- * Interdependencies risk reduction redundancy
- * Resources
 - * Energy
 - * Minerals
 - * People
 - * Employment
- * Social development
- * Global political/financial influence

*What is the megaproblem?



- *Europe is one quarter the size of South America with 1.3x the population
- *South America High Growth; Europe pretty stagnant
- *How does engineering help to resolve the needs of future generations?
- *Where do megaprojects fit into this strategy?
- *How do we define the megaprojects that will help?

*Some thoughts