

Caltrain Centralized Equipment Maintenance and Operations Facility (CEMOF) Monitoring Committee - Quarterly Report

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Notes

The CEMOF Monitoring Committee Quarterly Report supplements the official meeting minutes. It provides the community, the San Jose City Council, the Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board (JPB) and the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) Board with a brief overview of unresolved issues. Each issue is assigned a tracking number when first added to the report and is removed from the report one quarter after being resolved.

Current Issues

No.	Issue	Planned Action(s)	Comment
001	Screeching train wheels on track relocated by Caltrain for CEMOF project. Primary noise sources are Union Pacific (UP) freight trains on Track #1. In violation of Shared Objectives, Goal A (Eliminate objectionable noise during nighttime hours).	UP to install rail lubricator using equipment to be provided by Caltrain. Ongoing equipment maintenance to be provided by UP.	Opened 10/26/05. UP installed rail lubricator on Track #1 in August 2006. Noise was reduced, but not eliminated. Caltrain obtained UP commitment to maintain lubricator as of January 2010. UP installed longer wiper bars and increased capacity to improve lubricator performance on Track #1 and Caltrain installed lubricators on Tracks #2 and #3 in June 2010. Testing in July 2010 confirmed that top-of-rail "friction modifier" would perform better than lubricator in reducing noise on Track #1, but it is currently cost prohibitive. Committee continues to monitor issue.

NOTE: Issues No. 002 through 013 have previously been resolved.