Caltrain Federal Advocacy Update

JPB WPLP Committee
Agenda Item #5
April 28, 2021
American Jobs Plan
(Infrastructure Package)

- Set of Administration’s priorities and principles
- $2 Trillion over 8 years, creating 19 million jobs
- Transportation Funding
  - Core Transit: $85 billion over 8 years
    - $55 billion – State of Good Repair
    - $25 billion - expansion
    - $5 billion ADA implementation
  - $20 billion for a new program to reconnect neighborhoods cut off by historic investments and ensure new projects increase opportunity, advance racial equity and environmental justice, and promote affordable access
- $25 billion for a dedicated fund specifically for large projects that benefit regional or the national economy
INVEST in America Act
(Surface Transportation Reauthorization Bill)

- Reauthorization of a Surface Transportation Bill (previous bill known as the FAST Act)
- Likely to be based on previously drafted bill: H.R. 2, Moving Forward America
- Nearly $500B, 5-year to fund surface transportation investments
- Currently includes Member Designated Transportation and Infrastructure Project (Earmarks) Requests
- Congressional committees expected to markup bill language by Memorial Day
- Caltrain Programmatic Priorities for Surface Transportation Bill
  - Increase Funding Section 130 Highway Crossings Program (Grade Separations)
  - Ensure commuter rail eligibility for CRISI (Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements) Grant Program
FY 2022 Appropriations

- Annual Transportation, Housing and Urban Development spending bill (THUD)
  - If no agreement, continuing resolution is usually passed
- Provides FY 2022 funding for DOT programs
- FY 2022 may include funding for Community Project Funding Requests (Earmarks)
  - Under $1M