



# Longer Trains / Platforms

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# Caltrain Today



## Key Facts

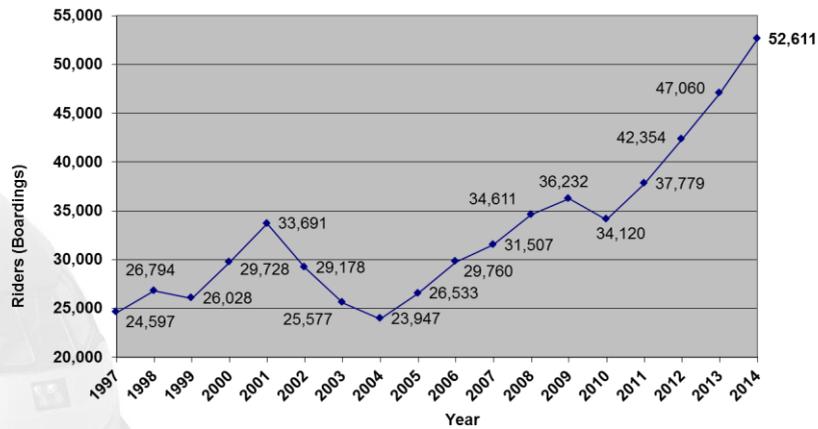
- Diesel commuter rail system
- San Francisco to Gilroy
- 77 mile corridor, 32 stations
- 92 trains on weekday / 36 Saturday / 32 Sunday
- Ridership: 50,000+ weekday



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## Caltrain Ridership



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## 2014 Top Ridership Trains

| Northbound   |           |          |                            |
|--------------|-----------|----------|----------------------------|
| Train Number | Depart SJ | Max Load | Percent of Seated Capacity |
| 319          | 7:03 AM   | 796      | 123%                       |
| 323          | 7:45 AM   | 746      | 115%                       |
| 329          | 8:03 AM   | 738      | 114%                       |
| 375          | 5:23 PM   | 689      | 106%                       |
| 217          | 6:57 AM   | 675      | 104%                       |
| 225          | 7:50 AM   | 674      | 104%                       |
| 233          | 8:40 AM   | 641      | 99%                        |
| 313          | 6:45 AM   | 632      | 97%                        |

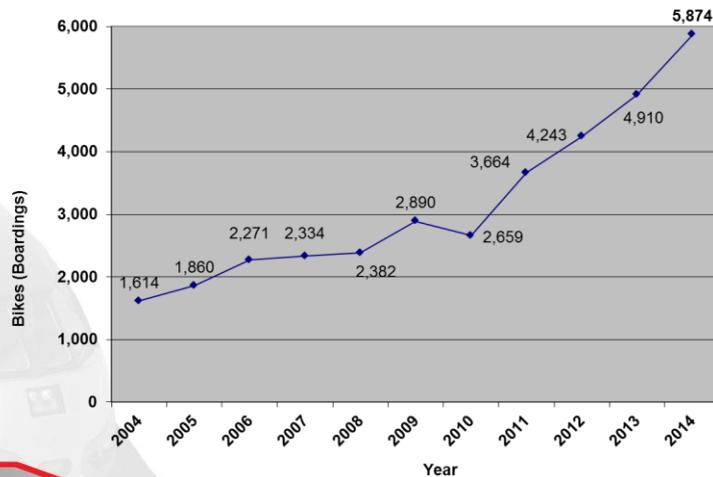
| Southbound   |           |          |                            |
|--------------|-----------|----------|----------------------------|
| Train Number | Depart SF | Max Load | Percent of Seated Capacity |
| 376          | 5:33 PM   | 813      | 125%                       |
| 370          | 5:14 PM   | 706      | 109%                       |
| 366          | 4:33 PM   | 690      | 106%                       |
| 268          | 4:56 PM   | 670      | 103%                       |
| 278          | 5:56 PM   | 648      | 100%                       |
| 324          | 8:14 AM   | 622      | 96%                        |
| 322          | 7:57 AM   | 622      | 96%                        |

Note: February 2014 counts (lower ridership season)

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## Average Weekday Bike Ridership



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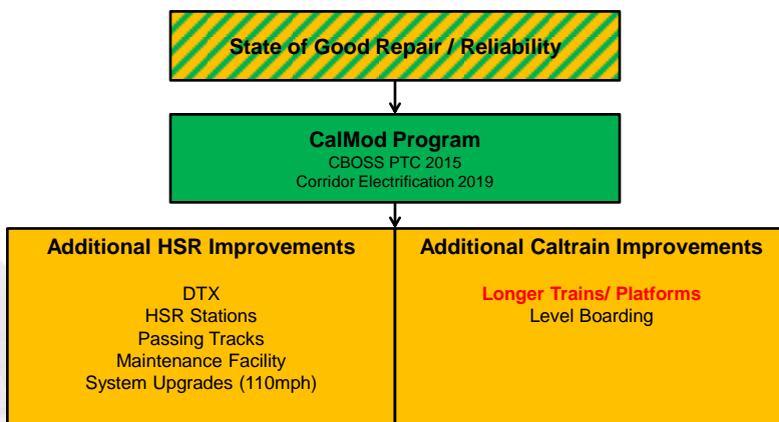
## Bikes on Board Program

- Bike bumps significantly reduced
- 2004
  - 16 to 32 bikes per train, 1-2 bike cars
- 2009
  - 40 to 80 bikes per train, 1-2 bike cars
- 2011
  - 48 to 80 bikes per train, 2 bike cars

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## Incremental Investments



Note: Orange has no funding plan; Green has funding plan

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## Service / Capacity Improvements

| State of Good Repair/ Reliability                            | CBOSS PTC Corridor Electrification EMUs   | Additional Improvements   | Ridership Demand Forecast (PCEP DEIR 2014)  |
|--|---|---|---|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Foundation</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Closer headways</li><li>• 10 slots ph/pd</li><li>• 6 Caltrain trains ph/pd*</li><li>• More station stops and/or reduced travel time</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• More seats</li><li>• Shorter dwells at stations</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Today: ~50,000</li><li>• 2020: 69,000</li><li>• 2040: 111,000</li></ul> |

\* Note: 4 slots for high-speed rail

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## PCEP Ridership Projections

- Demand driven approach
- Tool: VTA model (systemwide projections)
- Key model inputs:
  - 2013 ABAG projections
  - MTC Regional Transportation Plan
  - Prototypical schedules (PCEP DEIR 2014)

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## Longer Trains / Platforms Considerations

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## Program Concept

- Lengthen EMUs from 6 to 8 car trains
  - Increase seat capacity by ~33%
  - Provides comfort for 20 – 30 mile trips
- Platforms need 700 ft.
  - 18 / 27 PCEP stations need extension
  - Challenging at 12 stations (i.e. vehicle and/or pedestrian crossing, holdout)

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# Platforms (8-car EMUs)

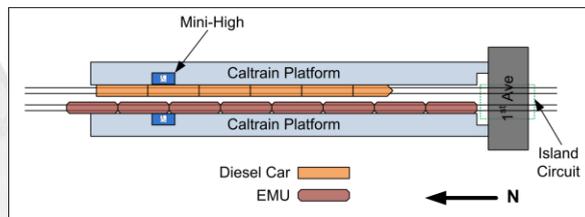
| No Extension Needed | Extension Needed | Extension Needed + Difficult |
|---------------------|------------------|------------------------------|
| 4th and King        | Belmont          | 22 <sup>nd</sup> Street*     |
| Bayshore            | California Ave   | Atherton*                    |
| Diridon             | San Antonio      | Broadway*                    |
| Lawrence            | San Carlos       | Burlingame                   |
| Millbrae            | San Mateo        | College Park*                |
| Palo Alto           | Santa Clara (SB) | Hayward Park                 |
| San Bruno           |                  | Hillsdale                    |
| Santa Clara (NB)    |                  | Menlo Park                   |
| Stanford            |                  | Mountain View                |
| Tamien              |                  | Redwood City                 |
|                     |                  | South San Francisco*         |
|                     |                  | Sunnyvale                    |

\* Additional Improvements Hold-Out or ADA  
 Top 10 highest ridership station

# Example: San Mateo Station (easy)



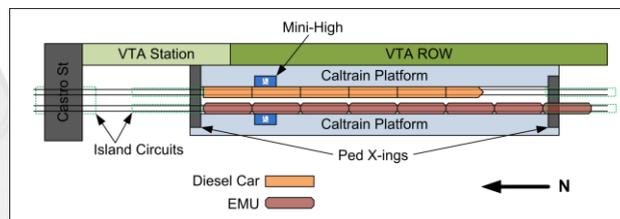
Constrained Area



## Example: Mountain View Station (difficult)



Constrained Area



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## Rough Cost Estimates

- Vehicle
  - Addition to 96 EMUs for electrification
  - Full EMU Conversion (42 EMUs): \$210m
  - 8-Car EMUs (~46 EMUs): \$230m
- Platform Extension
  - \$1m - \$2m / station
  - Assume limited modifications within ROW
  - Does not include cost for level boarding

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## Discussion