Bicycle Advisory Committee

Correspondence as of

March 11, 2020

From: Provence, Dan

To: Caltrain, Bac (@caltrain.com); "Bret Foreman"

Subject: RE: keyed bicycle lockers at RWC station

Date: Thursday, March 12, 2020 10:20:15 AM

Hi Bret,

Thanks for your interest in bike lockers at Caltrain. At this time, we are no longer renting out the keyed lockers in our system because we are transitioning to on demand electronic lockers. So far, elockers have been installed at 9 Caltrain stations. Redwood City is one of the next locations where we will install the e-lockers. I can add you to our email list so you can be updated when the lockers go in at Redwood City.

The lockers will be available on a first come, first served basis and cost 5 cents per hour. You can learn more about the lockers, including how to get access so you're ready on the first day, by visiting www.bikelink.org.

Thanks, Dan

From: Caltrain, Bac (@caltrain.com)

Sent: Wednesday, March 11, 2020 5:46 PM

To: 'Bret Foreman' <bret.foreman@gmail.com>; Caltrain, Bac (@caltrain.com) <BAC@caltrain.com>;

Provence, Dan <ProvenceD@samtrans.com> **Subject:** RE: keyed bicycle lockers at RWC station

Dear Bret,

Thank you for using a bike and Caltrain, and for wanting to park your bike at the station! Caltrain believes bikes are an excellent first and last mile solution, and riders who use their bikes to access Caltrain reduce pollution, relieve congestion, and help promote healthy, active transportation. In addition, parking your bike at the station is extremely helpful in reducing congestion in the bike car and assisting operations. The current bike parking options leave a lot to be desired but huge advances in bike sharing, electronic lockers, and controlled access bike parking facilities can provide great options for many people who want to use a bike and Caltrain. Caltrain has designated more than \$3.5M to make vast bike parking improvements at the stations. I have forwarded your email to our <u>full-time station access planner</u> was hired to implement <u>Caltrain's Bike Parking Management Plan</u> and improve bike access.

Thank you again for taking the time to send us your thoughts.

Best, Lori

From: Bret Foreman [mailto:bret.foreman@gmail.com]

Sent: Wednesday, February 26, 2020 9:38 AM **To:** Caltrain, Bac (@caltrain.com) **Subject:** keyed bicycle lockers at RWC station

The current wait list for a bike locker at the Redwood City Station is 13 spots. I'd like you to install another 15 lockers. Can you tell me who is in charge of purchasing and installing lockers?

Thanks,

Bret Foreman 415-608-0604
 From:
 Stacey Randecker Bartlett

 To:
 Caltrain, Bac (@caltrain.com)

 Subject:
 Re: 2/27/20 Incident

Date: Wednesday, March 11, 2020 5:53:52 PM

Hi Lori,

Thanks for writing. I had requested the available video for that time period in question. Would you be able to check in on that for me? I'm not doubting you about the train configuration, but I want to see what I missed and what the conductors would have seen.

Thanks, Stacey

On Wed, Mar 11, 2020 at 5:31 PM Caltrain, Bac (@caltrain.com) < BAC@caltrain.com > wrote:

Dear Stacey,

I'm sorry to hear that you had such a negative experience. Thank you for your feedback, and for making a bike and Caltrain part of your commute. Caltrain believes bikes are an excellent first and last mile solution, and riders who use their bikes to access Caltrain reduce pollution, relieve congestion, and help promote healthy, active transportation. We checked on the trainset you referred to, and it was confirmed that it had two bike cars that evening. While Caltrain currently has the most extensive onboard bicycle program among passenger railroads in the nation and we're working to improve bike parking and access at stations, we know there's always more that can be improved upon. I've shared your experience with Operations and those who manage the conductors and again apologize for the stressful evening.

Thank you again for taking the time to send us your thoughts.

Best.

Lori

From: Stacey Randecker Bartlett [mailto:<u>stacey@randecker.com</u>]

Sent: Friday, February 28, 2020 1:26 PM

To: Caltrain, Bac (@caltrain.com) **Subject:** 2/27/20 Incident

Caltrain complaint - 2/27/20 incident

2/27/20 - the 191 did not allow me to board with my bike at Mountain View

7:17p - tag on at NB platform, wait on bench for train

As train approaches, I walk to the boarding spot at the South end of the track.

7:27p - As train is pulling through station, I saw the first car as a bike car and none others. The last car was NOT a bike car. Puzzled, I ran, and then started riding my bike to the front of the train to board. I was shouting, "Wait! Wait!!" As I was panicked and needed to return home to my kids who were home alone.

7:28p (I'm guessing) - the doors close and I'm screaming and crying still hoping they will open the doors and allow me to board, but they keep rolling out of the station. I collapse by the fence and am extremely upset. A young woman with a cane walks over and talks to me for awhile. She probably thought I might jump on to the tracks as I was VERY upset.

It's not just about me and my kids. The planet is burning. We need people to TRUST and choose transit. This episode doesn't build trust.

Caltrain Twitter responded today saying:

"The same train set is currently in SF, using cars 4026 (bike), 3863, 3817, 3826 (bike), 3809, 2806 and locomotive #906."

And

"There were three luggage cars, two bike cars and an ADA bathroom car as part of the 191 consist last night."

I have made a public records request for all related video associated with this incident. I do not believe that I saw 2 signed bike cars. Why would I bike past one??

And even if I accidentally did, and am desperately trying to board, why wouldn't any of the crew notice and allow me to do so? There is no way that a human with normal hearing or vision could have mistaken my movements as anything other than determination and desperation.

The crew didn't know that my two kids were home alone. But that shouldn't matter. I wasn't seated, not paying attention, or acting nonchalant. I was waiting for the train on the platform and then doing EVERYTHING I could to board it. I still think there was a car issue, or a signage issue, but even still - there are humans operating that train and they ignored my obvious need for help. This is inexcusable. I and the rest of riders deserve far better. To that end, I want:

- ~ to view the video that I've requested with Caltrain
- ~ to see what the employees were doing during this boarding
- ~ those employees to watch the video as well and to explain their perspective
- ~ them to hear how upsetting this was for me personally and how we cannot have this type of issue during non-commute, awful headway hours
- ~ Caltrain to treat cyclists better
- Stacey Randecker Bartlett

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Mccauley, Ryan

From: Caltrain, Bac (@caltrain.com)

Sent: Wednesday, March 11, 2020 5:54 PM

To: 'Firoozye, Newsha'; Caltrain, Bac (@caltrain.com) **Subject:** RE: Clarification on bike rules for Caltrains for scooters

Dear Newsha,

Thanks for reaching out, and for using a folding scooter! Caltrain believes scooters are an excellent first and last mile solution, and riders who use their scooters to access Caltrain reduce pollution, relieve congestion, and help promote healthy, active transportation. You are completely right that we should acknowledge scooters and also offer rules and guidelines for scooter users. We are currently working to update our website with a scooter specific section, which will incorporate the onboard scooter information <u>presented</u> to the BAC at the last meeting. It should be up in the next few weeks. Thank you again for taking the time to send us your thoughts.

Best, Lori

From: Firoozye, Newsha [mailto:newshaf@wharton.upenn.edu]

Sent: Wednesday, February 12, 2020 8:36 AM

To: Caltrain, Bac (@caltrain.com)

Subject: Clarification on bike rules for Caltrains for scooters

Good morning,

I am a daily commuter from Palo Alto to SF and use a folding non electric scooter. I would appreciate if you would add an amendment to your pilot text and rules to include scooters in addition to bicycles. Nowhere do your rules acknowledge commuters with scooters. I board and sit with bikes in bike cars and a bicyclist confronted me on my commute today to get ahead of me (and as a paying customer I don't want to deal with these sorts of interactions) and feel your rules should acknowledge two wheeled customers.

Many thanks and hope you a good start to your day. All the best, Newsha

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From: <u>Caltrain, Bac (@caltrain.com)</u>

To: "Arnout Boelens"; Caltrain, Bac (@caltrain.com); Provence, Dan

Subject: RE: Bike share program idea

Date: Wednesday, March 11, 2020 5:36:21 PM

Dear Arnout,

Thank you for reaching out. The program you described below sounds amazing and I've shared your email with our station access planner who focuses on our bike program. Caltrain believes bikes are an excellent first and last mile solution, and riders who use their bikes to access Caltrain reduce pollution, relieve congestion, and help promote healthy, active transportation. Thank you again for taking the time to send us your thoughts and this information!

Best, Lori

----Original Message-----

From: Arnout Boelens [mailto:a.m.p.boelens@gmail.com]

Sent: Monday, February 10, 2020 7:49 AM

To: Caltrain, Bac (@caltrain.com) Subject: Bike share program idea

Dear members of the Bicycle Advisory Committee,

My name is Arnout Boelens and I am a member of the Silicon Valley Bicycle Coalition. I ride my bike to work everyday and I have an interested in bicycle advocacy to get more people to ride their bikes. I have an idea for a bike share program that I think could help solve Caltrain's last mile problem.

In the Netherlands there is a program called Public Transit bikes ("OV fiets"

in Dutch) that I think might work for the Bay Area. Under this program you would be able to rent a bike using your clipper card at any Caltrain station.

The price in the Netherlands is about \$4 per day, which is the price of a fare on public transit, go and return, but there is also a monthly pass available.

You would take out your bike at the station, use it for the day to go to work, class, etc, and then return it back at the station when you go home. This can be 24h later, but also 48h, or 72h. Instead of a 1 mile catch area this would give the station a 3 mile catch area. Also, because people return their bikes to the station there are no cost associated with re-balancing the system. I think, for example, that Palo Alto station could be a good location for a pilot program. It is the station with the highest ridership after SF and there is good cycling infrastructure in both PA and on the Stanford campus.

I attached some images of the system and I would be happy to meet in person if you would want to hear more about this bicycle share/rental program.

Kind regards,

Arnout Boelens







From: George Schroeder

Subject: LSAP Study Session Presentation Date: Tuesday, March 10, 2020 5:36:33 PM

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Hello,

If you were unable to attend last night's study session on the LSAP Housing Study, Boundary Expansion, and Sense of Place Plan, here are links to the meeting video and staff's presentation:

Meeting video (click audio/video): https://sunnyvaleca.legistar.com/MeetingDetail.aspx? ID=737835&GUID=4583497F-E0F7-44DA-A16D-3A03F847DA9D&Options=info&Search=

Staff Presentation: https://sunnyvaleca.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx? ID=4387473&GUID=75441440-A31A-47E8-96F4-C5A43330AA72&Options=&Search=

No decisions were made last night. The study session was an opportunity for the Planning Commission and members of the public to provide comments. There will be additional opportunities to provide comments at future meetings.



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From: <u>Caltrain, Bac (@caltrain.com)</u>

To: "Bret Foreman"; Caltrain, Bac (@caltrain.com)

Subject: RE: bike bumps and lockers

Date: Tuesday, March 10, 2020 5:05:17 PM

Hi Bret,

Thank you for interest in bikes and Caltrain. I staff the BAC and was wondering if you could send more details about what you'd specifically like to discuss? Each meeting we have a bike bump report with info on the year to date, and there's an annual presentation on bike bumps (see <u>archive</u>). In addition, I can put you in touch with our station access planner whose specific focus is on bikes and who is knowledgeable about the lockers if you could let me know what your questions might be. There's also time for public comment on items not on the agenda at the beginning of each BAC meeting if you'd like to speak to the BAC on these items. Thank again, and I look forward to hearing from you.

Best, Lori

From: Bret Foreman [mailto:bret.foreman@gmail.com]

Sent: Wednesday, February 26, 2020 9:57 AM

To: Caltrain, Bac (@caltrain.com) **Subject:** bike bumps and lockers

I'd like to schedule some time in the upcoming March 19 meeting to discuss bike bumps and lockers. Can you put me in touch with the person who manages the meeting agenda?

Thanks,

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Bret Foreman 415-608-0604

From: George Schroeder

Subject: Tonight"s LSAP Study Session Location Date: Monday, March 9, 2020 3:20:27 PM

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Hello,

For tonight's Planning Commission study session on the LSAP Update, we have moved the meeting location to the City Council Chambers in City Hall, 456 W. Olive Ave. The meeting will also be televised on KSUN-15 and broadcast on the web at: https://sunnyvaleca.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx. The study session will still start at 6 p.m. Thank you.



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From: George Schroeder

Subject: Lawrence Station Area Plan (LSAP) Update Study Session - March 9th

Date: Friday, March 6, 2020 2:56:58 PM

Attachments: <u>image003.png</u>

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Hello,

Thank you for your continued interest and participation in the Lawrence Station Area Plan (LSAP). There is a Planning Commission study session scheduled for this coming Monday, March 9th to update the Planning Commission on the LSAP housing study, boundary expansion, and Sense of Place Plan. This is an informational update, and an opportunity for the Planning Commission to ask questions of staff and provide comments. No decisions will be made at this meeting. Members of the public may attend this meeting, but there is limited seating available due to the room size. City staff is planning a community meeting in the next couple of months, and additional public hearings will occur in the near future.

The agenda for the study session is attached, and this is the only item.

When: Monday, March 9th at 6 p.m.

Where: City Hall, West Conference Room (next to the Council Chambers), 456 W. Olive Ave.,

Sunnyvale

For additional information please contact me at (408) 730-7443 or gschroeder@sunnyvale.ca.gov. The project website is located at: https://sunnyvale.ca.gov/business/projects/lawrence.htm



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Notice and Agenda - Final Planning Commission

Monday, March 9, 2020

6:00 PM

West Conference Room, City Hall, 456 W. Olive Ave., Sunnyvale, CA 94086

Special Meeting - Study Session - 6:00 PM | Public Hearing - Canceled

6:00 PM STUDY SESSION

Call to Order in the West Conference Room

Roll Call

Study Session

A. 20-0337

Lawrence Station Area Plan (LSAP) Housing Study/Boundary

Expansion/Sense of Place Plan Update

Project Planner: George Schroeder, (408) 730-7443,

gschroeder@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Public Comment on Study Session Agenda Items

Adjourn Study Session

7:00 PM PLANNING COMMISSION CANCELED

From: Alex Eisenhart

To: <u>Caltrain, Bac (@caltrain.com)</u>

Subject: NEWS: Transit District Statement: Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)

Date: Wednesday, March 4, 2020 1:21:03 PM



March 4, 2020

Media Contact: Tasha Bartholomew, 650-508-7927

Transit District Statement: Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19)

In light of the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak in the Bay Area, the San Mateo County Transit District is monitoring the situation and maintaining regular contact with local public health agencies, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission and the Centers for Disease Control (CDC). The Transit District is the administrative body for the principal public transit and transportation programs in San Mateo County, including SamTrans bus service and Caltrain commuter rail service.

As reported by the CDC, the immediate risk posed by COVID-19 to the public remains relatively low. However, we understand this can raise concerns about safety in public spaces, including public transit. Therefore, we want to remind passengers about CDC-recommended precautions everyone should take onboard public transit to prevent the spread of illnesses:

- Wash your hands with soap and water before and after riding public transit. If soap and water are not readily available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth.
- Avoid eating while onboard.
- Do not cough into your hands. Cover your cough or sneeze with your elbow.
- Stay home if you are sick.

While SamTrans buses and Caltrain trains are regularly cleaned and sanitized, following these recommendations is the best way to prevent the spread of illnesses onboard. Caltrain and SamTrans have also shared preventative information with agency staff to ensure they can remain safe and healthy when serving the public.

For the latest information about COVID-19 in communities served by SamTrans and Caltrain, please refer to information and guidance provided by the following public health agencies:

San Francisco Department of Public Health

- San Mateo County Health Department
- Santa Clara County Public Health Department
- Centers for Disease Control

We will continue to monitor the situation as it unfolds and respond as necessary in partnership with our public health and transportation partners.

Be safe, wash your hands and refer to public health agencies to minimize risk of exposure.

Jim Hartnett General Manager/CEO, San Mateo County Transit District

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About the San Mateo County Transit District: The San Mateo County Transit District operates 70 SamTrans routes throughout San Mateo County. Funded in part by a half-cent sales tax, the San Mateo County Transit District also provides administrative support for Caltrain and the San Mateo County Transportation Authority. The San Mateo County Transit District has provided bus service to San Mateo County customers since 1976.

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From: Roland Lebrun

To: Board (@caltrain.com)

Cc: Steve Stamos, Clerk of the Board; VTA Board Secretary; MTC Commission; cacsecretary [@caltrain.com]; SFCTA

CAC; Caltrain, Bac (@caltrain.com)

Subject: TASI contract

Date: Wednesday, March 4, 2020 12:14:26 AM

Attachments: TASI contract.pdf

Dear Chair Pine and Board members,

The intent of the attached letter is to substantiate and elaborate on the comments I made at the Finance Committee about the unsustainability of the TASI contract.

Sincerely,

Roland Lebrun

CC

SFCTA Commissioners
VTA Board of Directors
MTC Commissioners

Caltrain CAC

SFCTA CAC

Caltrain BAC

VTA CAC

Dear Chair Pine and Board members,

The intent of this letter is to substantiate and elaborate on the comments I made at the Finance Committee about the unsustainability of the TASI contract.

Background:

The JPB awarded the initial 5-year TASI contract in 2011. The following table shows that the annual cost (in thousands) of the contract increased by 65% over 8 years

2011 60,637

2012 65,882

2013 65,485

2014 75,238

2015 78,240

2016 82,942

2017 89,639

2018 92,899

2019 99,541

On January 27, SamTrans submitted its Quarterly PTC progress report to the FRA. https://www.regulations.gov/contentStreamer?documentId=FRA-2010-0051-0092&attachmentNumber=1&contentType=pdf

Page 9 of the report lists a total of **444** employees requiring training on PTC

Employee Category ⁹	Q1 – # Employees Trained	Q2 – # Employees Trained	Q3 – # Employees Trained	Q4 – # Employees Trained	Sum of Quarterly Totals	PTCIP Year End Goal	Cumulative # of Employees Trained	Grand Total Reported in PTCIP
Employees who Install, Maintain, Repair, Modify, Inspect, and Test the PTC System	2	32	65	0	99	N/A	107	118
Employees who Dispatch Train Operations	0	0	14	0	14	N/A	14	17
Train and Engine (Operations) Employees	5	89	54	0	148	N/A	178	179
Roadway Worker Employees	7	54	20	0	81	N/A	86	94
Direct Supervisors of the Above Employees	0	0	24	0	24	N/A	29	36

It is unclear why Caltrain needs to train 118 employees to "install, maintain, repair, modify, inspect and test the PTC system" given that this work is currently being performed by Wabtec. It is also unclear why SamTrans recently spent \$21M of Caltrain farebox revenue bonds on the acquisition of two Menlo Park buildings to house these employees.

Please consider these factors when assessing Caltrain's forthcoming operating budget.

Thank You.

Roland Lebrun

From: <u>Cliff Bargar</u>

To: Low, Lori; Provence, Dan; Caltrain, Bac (@caltrain.com)

Subject: Fwd: You"re Invited: Townsend Corridor Safety Project Opening Ceremony, March 10

Date: Monday, February 24, 2020 5:20:56 PM

Hey Lori and Dan,

I thought I'd forward this in case you missed it and are interested in going. Would you be able to forward it to the rest of the BAC, too? I don't think I'll make it but it could be a fun opportunity for someone to rep Caltrain and maybe try to say a few words about what is going on mobility-wise at 4/K and elsewhere along the corridor.

Best, Cliff

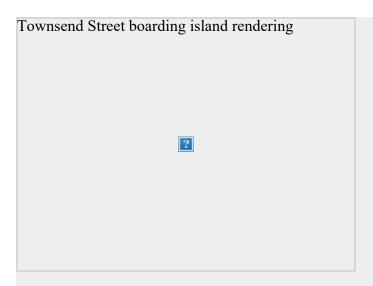
----- Forwarded message -----

From: SFMTA Municipal Transportation Agency <<u>sfmta@public.govdelivery.com</u>>

Date: Mon, Feb 24, 2020 at 4:00 PM

Subject: You're Invited: Townsend Corridor Safety Project Opening Ceremony, March 10

To: <<u>cliff.bargar@gmail.com</u>>



Please join the City and County of San Francisco as we celebrate the completion of the Townsend Corridor Improvement Project featuring a protected bike lane, bus boarding islands, and other safety improvements to this vital city street.

Tuesday, March 10, 2020 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Townsend Street at 4th Street

The celebration will take place in front of the Caltrain Station on Townsend Street at the intersection with 4th Street. The event is accessible by Muni and Caltrain.

Tickets are not required but <u>you can RSVP here</u>.

For more information, please email jonathan.streeter@sfmta.com or call (415) 646-2109.



San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency | One South Van Ness Avenue, San Francisco, CA 94103-5417 Hey

From: Alex Eisenhart

To: <u>Caltrain, Bac (@caltrain.com)</u>

Subject: NEWS: Caltrain Recommends Alternatives for Millbrae Station Access following BART Parking Closure

Date: Tuesday, February 18, 2020 10:03:05 AM



NEWS

February 18, 2020

Media Contact: Alex Eisenhart, 650.622.7850

<u>Caltrain Recommends Alternatives for Millbrae Station Access following BART Parking Closure</u>

On Saturday, February 22, 300 additional parking spots at the <u>Millbrae Transit Center</u> will be eliminated to accommodate the <u>transit-oriented development project</u> currently being built on BART property. Caltrain parking on the west side of the station will remain open throughout construction.

Caltrain is working closely with BART to mitigate impacts to customers who currently park at Millbrae Station to access Caltrain.

In anticipation of parking shortages, Caltrain riders are encouraged to take advantage of the following Millbrae Station access alternatives:

Broadway/Millbrae Shuttle: Caltrain customers can park at the Broadway Caltrain Station and take the <u>FREE shuttle</u> to the Millbrae Transit Center Monday through Friday. The shuttle ride takes about seven minutes and is timed to meet high-demand commuting trains. The Broadway Station parking lot typically has 100 empty parking spaces on a given weekday. Customers can use the <u>Caltrain Mobile</u> app or ticket vending machine to pay for daily parking permits. Shuttle schedule information can be found online at <u>www.smctd.com/MBShuttle</u>.

Caltrain-specific parking permits in the BART parking garage:
Caltrain is coordinating with BART to establish single-day reserved
permits for Caltrain riders within the permit-parking section of BART's
parking garage. Riders will be able to purchase these permits online by
providing a Clipper number or Caltrain Go Pass parking number as proof
of Caltrain ridership. Permits are expected to become available in March.
Details and instructions will be posted at
www.caltrain.com/MillbraeGaragePermits.

SamTrans Route ECR: The <u>ECR</u> offers high frequency bus service along El Camino Real and stops across the street from the Millbrae Station.

Bike: Millbrae Station offers bike racks and electronic on-demand bike lockers. Electronic locker information can be found at www.bikelink.org.

Carpool: As always, riders are encouraged to carpool to stations whenever possible to reduce emissions and save on the cost of a daily parking permit.

Caltrain will be participating in a transit fair at the Millbrae Station on Wednesday, February 19, from 4-7 p.m. to address customer questions and provide alternative station access information. For updates and more

information, visit www.caltrain.com/MillbraeStationChanges.

For more information about Caltrain schedules and fares, call 1.800.660.4287 (TTY 650.508.6448) or visit www.caltrain.com.

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About Caltrain: Owned and operated by the Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board, Caltrain provides commuter rail service from San Francisco to San Jose, with commute service to Gilroy. While the Joint Powers Board assumed operating responsibilities for the service in 1992, the railroad celebrated 150 years of continuous passenger service in 2014. Planning for the next 150 years of Peninsula rail service, Caltrain is on pace to electrify the corridor, reduce diesel emissions by 97 percent by 2040 and add more service to more stations.

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From: <u>Dan Lieberman</u>

To: <u>Caltrain, Bac (@caltrain.com)</u>

Subject: NEWS: Caltrain Temporarily Suspends SF Weekend Service for Electrification Work

Date: Monday, February 17, 2020 2:18:32 PM



NEWS

February 17, 2020

Media Contact: Dan Lieberman, 650.508.6385

<u>Caltrain Temporarily Suspends SF Weekend Service for Electrification</u> <u>Work</u>

From Saturday, February 22, to Sunday, March 29, trains will not serve the San Francisco or 22nd Street stations on weekends in order to accommodate construction in tunnels needed for the Caltrain Electrification project. Trains will originate and terminate at the Bayshore Station. Free SamTrans bus service will be provided to connect Caltrain riders traveling from the Bayshore Station to 22nd Street and San Francisco stations during this time.

Buses are ADA accessible and will have limited onboard capacity for luggage and bikes. Details regarding station impacts, ticketing and transit alternatives are available at: caltrain.com/SFWeekendClosure.

During the weekend closures, riders may want to consider other available public transit options:

- Caltrain connects to BART at the <u>Millbrae Transit Center</u>
- SamTrans' ECR connects San Mateo County to Daly City BART
- MUNI's <u>8-Bayshore</u>, <u>9-San Bruno</u> and <u>T-Third Street</u> light rail line all serve the Bayshore Caltrain Station
- SamTrans' 292, 397 and 398 connect San Mateo County to downtown San Francisco
- VTA <u>181</u> goes from San Jose Diridon to <u>Fremont</u> and <u>Warm Springs</u> BART
- <u>Amtrak Capitol Corridor</u> connects from San Jose Diridon and Santa Clara stations to <u>Coliseum</u> BART.
- E-bike share vendors <u>Baywheels</u> and <u>JUMP</u> are located at the Bayshore Station

The suspension of San Francisco weekend service has been scheduled to avoid impacting service during major events, including the San Francisco Giants' baseball season.

This closure is necessary to install the overhead catenary system, which will supply power to trains after the launch of electrified service in 2022.

All work in the tunnels is scheduled to be completed prior to the Monday morning rush hour commute. In the event of a possible disruption to weekday service, Caltrain will alert the public through the media and its social media

channels. Riders are encouraged to keep an eye on the <u>Caltrain Twitter account</u> for potential disruptions.

The Caltrain Electrification project is a key component of the <u>Caltrain Modernization Program</u> that will electrify the corridor from the San Francisco Caltrain Station at 4th and King streets to approximately the Tamien Station in San Jose, and replace diesel-hauled trains with electric trains. Electrification will improve Caltrain's system performance, enable more frequent and/or faster train service, and reduce long-term environmental impact by reducing noise, improving regional air quality and reducing greenhouse gas emissions. Caltrain Electrification is scheduled to be operational by 2022.

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From: Cliff Bargar

To: Provence, Dan; Low, Lori; Caltrain, Bac (@caltrain.com)

Subject: Caltrain Bike Car in KQED"s Transit Love Stories

Date: Saturday, February 15, 2020 2:52:13 PM

Hey Dan, Lori, and fellow BAC members,

Yesterday morning KQED Forum had a half hour for listeners to call in with their transit love stories. I though everyone would appreciate that the first caller met her husband (and made a number of good friends) riding the Caltrain bike car!

 $\frac{https://www.kqed.org/forum/2010101875853/your-transit-loves-stories}{https://twitter.com/KQEDForum/status/1228386855093096448}$

Best, Cliff From: Roland Lebrun

To: Board (@caltrain.com)

Cc: Steve Stamos, Clerk of the Board; VTA Board Secretary; MTC-ABAG; MTC Commission; cacsecretary

[@caltrain.com]; SFCTA CAC; Caltrain, Bac (@caltrain.com)

Subject: 1/8 cent Caltrain sales tax headwind

Date: Monday, January 27, 2020 8:00:26 PM

Dear Caltrain Board,

Thank you so much for informing me at 6.00 PM that the 2.30 PM Finance Committee meeting had been canceled due to loss of quorum.

As a reminder, I live in south San Jose near the Blossom Hill Caltrain station which does not receive any off-peak Caltrain service even though we recently built an additional 5,000 housing units and have over 7M SF of Office and light industrial buildings within 1 mile of the station including 3M SF at the Western Digital HQ.

Moving forward, I will no longer waste over one hour driving to the Santa Teresa station and riding on the VTA light rail to catch Caltrain at the Diridon station and look forward to saving over one hour travel time each way by leaving my house in the comfort of my car 10 minutes after Caltrain leaves Diridon.

In closing, I would like to remind you that 1/8 of a cent sales tax generates \$60M annually in Santa Clara County whose voters are unlikely to support a business plan intent on eliminating baby bullet service.

Sincerely,

Roland Lebrun

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From: board@caltrain.com <board@caltrain.com>

Sent: Monday, January 27, 2020 6:00 PM **To:** ccss@msn.com < ccss@msn.com >

Subject: Updated Webpages

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