

Safety Highlights

Caltrain commenced vegetation clearing at the Los Gatos Creek Bridge Replacement project March of 2017. This bridge is located ½ mile south of the San Jose Diridon Station. The two tracks on one bridge will be replaced by three tracks each on a separate bridge.



Water level in the creek during February 2017

The high water levels at the creek during February of 2017 resulted in increased safety monitoring to include bridge worker safety near the creek. Due to environmental protection constraints, construction on and over the creek will only be allowed from June 15th thru October 15th.

The bridge is safe for trains to continue using.



March 2017 - lower creek water level

The safety of workers and passengers continues to be a priority at Caltrain.

Enforcement

Event	MAR 2017	YTD 2017
Felony and Misdemeanor Arrests (all)	15	49
Parking Citations	391	958
Traffic Citations	21	179
All Other Infraction Citations (including trespassing)	66	290
Ejections/Contacts: Train, Station, Right of Way	35	66
Proof-of-Payment Citations	0	73
Crisis Interventions w/ Emergency Commitments	3	11
Total Calls For Police Service	881	2372



Significant Events

Mar. 1 – Mar. 31: During this period, the Transit Police conducted monthly High-Intensity Strategic Enforcement Program (HISEP) initiatives targeting education and enforcement in locations where persons may engage in unsafe behavior.

- The Transit Police responded to four reports of persons trespassing on the Caltrain right of way in Belmont. In each instance, the person was cited and released.
- The Transit Police cited 63 persons for safety violations as part of the HISEP effort.

Mar. 1 - Mar. 31: The Transit Police responded to six reports of intoxicated persons at various Caltrain Stations. In each instance, the person was arrested and booked into county jail.

Mar. 1 - Mar. 31: The Transit Police conducted routine security checks at various Caltrain stations. As a result, two persons were arrested on outstanding misdemeanor warrants and two persons were arrested on outstanding felony warrants. In each instance, the person was booked into county jail.

Mar. 1 – Mar. 31: Transit Police received three reports of stolen vehicles at the South San Francisco Caltrain Station.

The Transit Police would like to remind Caltrain patrons to keep your vehicle doors locked and not leave anything of value visible inside the vehicle.

Mar. 12: The Transit Police responded to the Palo Alto Caltrain Station on a report of an adult male who was acting erratically and possibly contemplating suicide. The person was located, taken into protective custody and transported to emergency psychiatric care.

Mar. 15: The Transit Police responded to the San Francisco Caltrain Station on a report of an adult male who was acting violently and erratic. The person was located, taken into protective custody, and transported to emergency psychiatric care.

Mar. 20: The Transit Police responded to the Belmont Caltrain Station on a report of an adult female who was unable to care for herself. The person was located, taken into protective custody and transported to emergency psychiatric care.

Bike Thefts:

Mar. 1 - Mar. 31: The Transit Police received five reports of bicycle thefts at various Caltrain stations.



Engineering

Maintenance of Way

Reconstructed both tracks at East Meadow Drive in Palo Alto. This required closure of the grade crossing over two consecutive weekends in March. Construction activity included:

- the removal of the existing wood ties and rail,
- the installation of new concrete ties, ballast, new concrete grade crossing panels, replacing the existing rubber surface, and new pavement and striping





Removed previous rail & ties (track panel)





Laid out new ties as part of crossing replacement work



The finished grade crossing at East Meadow



- Installed 620 tons of main line ballast
- Surfaced 10,266 lineal feet of main line track
- Completed 12 new thermite welds, ground 6 switches and built up 4 frog inserts all along the main line corridor
- Installed 848 lineal feet of new rail, rail is periodically replaced due to wear and internal rail defects



Before After Vegetation removed along the Mechanical Stabilized Embankment (MSE) wall at Belmont



Communications & Signals

Dug a trench for new Signal conduit and foundation installation





This work was in preparation for upcoming improvements at Ravenswood Avenue grade crossing in Menlo Park

Stations

Training provided focused on the following areas:

- HVAC controls
- Painting Systems
- Surface preparation
- Plan, Do, Check & Act (Continuous Improvement)

Continued with the stations' three main areas of Focus - Safe, Clean & Compliant



Repainted the swing gates from San Mateo south with "Federal Yellow" for high visibility