

Safety Highlights

The American Public Transportation Association (APTA) conducted a complete assessment of Caltrain's system safety program. Two seasoned transit safety professionals from APTA conducted a week-long review of the system. External reviews provide a non-biased viewpoint and a benchmark for how the system compares to peer agencies around the country.





These assessments support Caltrain's safety team with continuous improvement objectives that benefit our passengers, facilities, equipment, and employees. The assessors also attended the quarterly safety meeting for employees who maintain the track and signal systems. The APTA team learned that employees play an enormous role as part of continuous improvement relating to the safety of our passengers, crews and system.

Education

Rail Safety Presentations/Activities	City	Attendees	
Media Roundtable -News Coverage on Suicide by Rail	Millbrae	25	
San Mateo County Suicide Prevention Committee	San Mateo	8	



Enforcement						
Event	JUN 2015	YTD 2015	JUN 2014	YTD 2014		
Felony and Misdemeanor Arrests (all)	4	46	19	101		
Parking Citations	395	1594	368	1813		
Traffic Citations	53	217	15	161		
All Other Infraction Citations (including trespassing)	90	418	67	329		
Ejections/Contacts: Train, Station, Right of Way	58	230	92	464		
Proof-of-Payment Citations	198	814	96	771		
Crisis Interventions w/ Emergency Commitments	1	17	1	18		
Total Calls For Police Service	1050	5672	847	4826		

Significant Events

June 5: Transit Police responded to the Watkins Avenue Grade Crossing in Atherton on a report of a male who had been struck by a northbound Caltrain. Preliminary information suggests the male may have intentionally placed himself in the path of the oncoming train. The fatality is under investigation by Transit Police.

June 17: Transit Police responded to the San Jose Diridon Caltrain Station on a report of an adult male who had dialed "911" and stated that he was having suicidal thoughts. The subject was located, taken into protective custody, and transported to emergency psychiatric care.

June 20: Transit Police responded to Caltrain right of way in Sunnyvale on a report of a female who had been struck by a northbound Caltrain. Preliminary information suggests the female may have intentionally placed herself in the path of the oncoming train. The fatality is under investigation by Transit Police.

June 1 – June 30: Transit Police responded to one report of an intoxicated person at the Redwood City Caltrain Station. The individual was arrested and booked into county jail.

June 1 – June 30: Transit Police responded to 11 reports of persons trespassing on the Caltrain right of way. In each instance, the person was cited and released.

June 1 – June 30: Transit Police conducted routine security checks at various Caltrain stations. As a result, one person was arrested on an outstanding misdemeanor warrant and booked into county jail.



June 1 – June 30: Transit Police received 16 reports of bicycle thefts from various Caltrain stations. The largest number of thefts (12) occurred at the Palo Alto University Avenue Caltrain Station.

June 1 – June 30: Transit Police recovered two outside stolen vehicles from various Caltrain stations.

June 1 – June 30: Transit Police received one report of a stolen vehicle from the San Jose Diridon Caltrain Station and two vehicle vandalism reports from various Caltrain stations. These cases are under investigation by Transit Police.

Engineering

Maintenance of Way

TASI completed 10 months of injury-free work

- Installed over 60 tons of main line ballast
- Surfaced 26,156 lineal feet of track
- Completed six thermite welds
- Installed 51 new cross ties in South San Francisco Yard track
- Removed vegetation next to Belmont Station (east side)



Before

After



• Removed vegetation & chain link fence at the Gilroy Yard to facilitate new fence installation





Expanded Metal Fence installation



• Repaired fencing at six locations and performed tree trimming at three locations along the right of way, including Sunnyvale Station



Tree encroaching within the Operating envelope



Branches removed and site lines restored



 Surfaced both tracks through the Grade Crossing at Mary Avenue in Sunnyvale during a 55-hour closure between June 19 – 22



Surfacing and regulating the ballast through the crossing



Repaving the grade crossing with asphalt

• Coordinated Graffiti removal by BART along the BART wall and facilities from San Bruno to Millbrae along the east side of Caltrain's Main Track 1