

Safety Highlights

Caltrain commenced survey drilling to assess soil and terrain along the Caltrain corridor as part of the Peninsula Corridor Electrification Project (PCEP). The equipment used to conduct this surveying included an initial safety acceptance inspection of the on-track equipment used to transport a drill rig. This lo-railer had a hole cut into it so the drill rig could drill under the tracks while stationed on the track at pre-determined locations.



The drill rig could also be dismounted to drill adjacent to the tracks, as needed. The drilling was typically done at a depth of 30 to 40 feet below the surface. To provide safety for the work crew and the trains passing by on the adjacent track, work was stopped prior to allowing trains to proceed by the work area.

Education

Rail Safety Presentations/Activities	City	Attendees	
Crisis Text Line Partnership Launch	Palo Alto	50	



Enforcement

Event	NOV 2016	YTD 2016	NOV 2015	YTD 2015
Felony and Misdemeanor Arrests (all)	17	200	25	169
Parking Citations	398	3696	376	3136
Traffic Citations	98	557	37	466
All Other Infraction Citations (including trespassing)	121	931	76	878
Ejections/Contacts: Train, Station, Right of Way	14	245	22	418
Proof-of-Payment Citations	91	783	102	1449
Crisis Interventions w/ Emergency Commitments	2	31	1	35
Total Calls For Police Service	724	8937	840	10715

Significant Events

Nov. 1 – Nov. 30: During this period, the Transit Police conducted monthly High-Intensity Strategic Enforcement Program (HISEP) initiatives targeting education and enforcement in locations where people may engage in unsafe behavior.

- The Transit Police responded to three reports of people trespassing on the Caltrain right-of-way. In each instance, the individuals were cited and released.
- The Transit Police cited 106 people for safety violations as part of the HISEP effort.

Nov. 1 - Nov. 30: The Transit Police responded to five reports of intoxicated individuals and one reported open container violation at various Caltrain stations. In each instance, the person was either cited or arrested and booked into county jail.

Nov. 1 - Nov. 30: The Transit Police conducted routine security checks at various Caltrain stations. As a result, six people were arrested on outstanding misdemeanor warrants and one person was arrested on an outstanding felony warrant. In each instance, the person was booked into county jail.

Nov. 1 – Nov. 30: Transit Police received seven reports of vehicle burglaries from the South San Francisco Caltrain Station. Transit Police recovered two stolen vehicles from the Blossom Hill Caltrain Station in San Jose, and the Tamien Caltrain Station in San Jose.

Nov. 4: The Transit Police responded to the San Jose Diridon Caltrain Station regarding a report of a suicidal adult female. The person was located, taken into protective custody and transported to emergency psychiatric care.



Nov. 22: The Transit Police responded to the E. Bellevue grade crossing in San Mateo on a report of an adult male trespasser who had been struck by a southbound Caltrain train. Preliminary information suggests the person may have intentionally placed himself in the path of the oncoming train. The incident is under investigation by Transit Police.

Nov. 27: The Transit Police responded to the E. Bellevue grade crossing in San Mateo on a report of a suicidal adult male who was trespassing on the right-of-way. The person was located, taken into protective custody and transported to emergency psychiatric care.

Bike Thefts:

 Nov. 1 – Nov. 30: The Transit Police received six reports of bicycle thefts from various Caltrain stations. The largest number of thefts (two) occurred at the San Carlos Caltrain Station.

Engineering

Maintenance of Way

- Installed 230 tons of new main line ballast and surfaced 15,777 lineal feet of main line track
- Completed 15 thermite welds in the main line track, eliminating rail joints along the running rail



• Added expanded metal fence panels to existing chain link fence to prevent trespassing at Santa Clara, all nuts were welded to "vandal proof" the fence



During





The completed work

- Installed 167 9-foot wood ties along the main line and in the South San Francisco Yard
- Completed vegetation removal along Main Track 1 in San Mateo near the Hayward Park Caltrain Station



• Gate & fencing repairs along the right-of-way is a continuous task; keeping up with the many vandals is an ongoing effort

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Expanded Metal Panels added to Welded Wire Gate

• Homeless encampments continue to be a problem on the corridor; this one was removed from underneath Scott Boulevard overpass in Santa Clara



Before

After



Stations

- Training was conducted for personnel performing work at Caltrain stations. The training focused on the following areas:
 - o Storm Water Compliance
 - o Painting Systems
 - o Roof Systems
 - o Ladders
- Station inspections continue and there were no significant trends to report
 - Vandalism on shelters was significant, especially at Hayward Park
 - Pedestrian gate replacements are scheduled to commence in January 2017
 - Installation of new Information Display Cases will begin with Belmont in January 2017
- Continued focus on the Station of the Month Mountain View