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<u>Caltrain to Hold Joint Meeting of Community Advisory Committee and</u> <u>Bicycle Advisory Committee</u>

Caltrain will host a joint meeting between its Community Advisory Committee (CAC) and Bicycle Advisory Committee (BAC) on Wednesday, April 17, at its headquarters at 1250 San Carlos Avenue in San Carlos. The meeting will include hands-on interactive activities for members to provide input on how to improve bicycle parking and the availability of first/last mile solutions from its stations. Committee members will also help identify possible strategies for reconfiguration of the new electric train's bicycle cars and the additional seventh car to address bike security concerns.

Caltrain carries approximately 6,000 bikes every weekday, more than any other rail system in the country. The Electrification Project will bring an additional 17% increase in onboard bike capacity. With ridership demand projected to increase by 300% by 2040, Caltrain is working to meet the challenge of how to accommodate all its riders. Recently, Caltrain designated more than \$3.5M to make vast bike parking improvements at the stations and hired a <u>full-time station access planner</u> to implement <u>Caltrain's Bike Parking Management Plan</u> and improve bike access.

Grant funding from the California State Transportation Agency's (CalSTA's) Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP) allowed Caltrain to expand its electric fleet from 16 six-car trainsets to 19 seven-car trainsets. The new electric trains are set to launch in 2022.

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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 limited commute service to Gilroy. While the Joint Powers Board assumed operating responsibilities for the service in 1992, the railroad has provided the community with more than 150 years of continuous passenger service. 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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