

**AGENDA
TAMC RAIL POLICY COMMITTEE**

Meeting of Monday
April 1, 2013

**Transportation Agency for Monterey County
Conference Room
55-B Plaza Circle, Salinas**

3:00 P.M.

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- 1. Quorum Check, Call to Order and Introductions.** A quorum for the voting TAMC Rail Policy Committee members consists of a minimum of 6 of the following voting members: Potter (Chair), Sollecito (Vice-Chair), Armenta, Rubio, Calcagno, Parker, Delgado, Craig, Matarazzo, and Chavez.

If you are unable to attend, please make sure that one of your two alternates attends the meeting. Your courtesy to the other members to assure a quorum is appreciated.

- 2. PUBLIC COMMENT ON TRANSPORTATION MATTERS NOT ON TODAY'S AGENDA.**

Any member of the public may address the Rail Policy Committee on any item not on the agenda but within the jurisdiction of the Rail Policy Committee. Comments on items on today's agenda may be given when that agenda item is discussed.

BEGINNING OF CONSENT AGENDA: Approve the staff recommendations for **items 3.1-3.2** below by majority vote with one motion. Any member may pull an item off the Consent Agenda to be moved to the end of the **CONSENT AGENDA** for discussion and action.

- 3.1 APPROVE** minutes of February 4, 2013 Rail Policy Committee meeting.

– Cook

Pages 4 - 6

- 3.2 RECEIVE** update on the California Statewide Rail Plan. – Watson
Pages 7 - 12

Staff provided comments on the draft California Statewide Rail Plan, correcting some errors in the document's characterization of Monterey County's rail projects. Comment letter is attached.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

- 4. CLOSED SESSION** *No Enclosure*

REAL ESTATE NEGOTIATIONS. Pursuant to Government Code section §54956.8, confer with real property negotiators concerning the acquisition of one property for the Salinas train station.

Property: 20 West Market Street, Salinas, CA
Agency negotiators: Christina Watson, Mike Zeller, Todd Muck
Negotiating parties: Patrick Redo, CEO, Monterey County Employees Credit Union
Under negotiation: Price and terms of payment

RECONVENE in open session and report any actions taken.

- 5. RECEIVE** update and **PROVIDE** staff direction on the Rail Extension to Monterey County project. – Watson
Pages 13 - 19

Progress since the last update to the Committee about the project on February 4, 2013 includes meetings in Washington, DC, meetings related to the Gilroy station, and the adoption of joint principles of agreement by both the Capitol Corridor and Transportation Agency boards.

- 6. RECEIVE** update on the status of the planned Coast Daylight train service between San Francisco and Los Angeles. – Watson
Pages 20 - 21

Progress since the last update to the Committee about the Coast Daylight on October 1, 2012 includes an administrative draft Environmental Impact Statement/ Report for the segment of the Coast Rail Line corridor between San Luis Obispo and Salinas, ongoing negotiations with Union Pacific, and meetings of the Coast Rail Coordinating Council.

7. **RECEIVE** information about April 30 rail tour for Capitol Corridor representatives. – Watson **Page 22**

Staff is planning a trip on the Coast Starlight for April 30, 2013 for representatives of the Capitol Corridor Joint Powers Authority. Details will be provided at the meeting.

8. **ANNOUNCEMENTS** and/or **COMMENTS** from Rail Policy Committee members on matters that they wish to put on future Committee agendas.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next Rail Policy Committee meeting:

Monday, May 6, 2013

3:00 p.m.

Transportation Agency for Monterey County Conference Room
55-B Plaza Circle, Salinas, California 93901

Light refreshments will be provided

If you have any items for the next agenda, please submit them to:

Christina Watson, Rail Program Coordinator

by Tuesday, March 19, 2013

Christina@tamcmonterey.org

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CORRESPONDENCE, REPORTS, MEDIA CLIPPINGS

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CORRESPONDENCE

- C-1** January 31, 2013 notice of preparation of an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the Peninsula Corridor Electrification Project.
- C-2** February 8, 2013 letter from Dave Potter, Chair, Coast Rail Coordinating Council, to Ken Yeager, Chair, Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board, re: Request for support for *Coast Daylight* service.
- C-3** February 19, 2013 letter from RPC Chair Dave Potter, to Yvonne Braithwaite Burke, Amtrak Board of Directors, re: Appointment to the Amtrak Board of Directors.
- C-4** February 19, 2013 letter from Executive Director Debra L. Hale to Polly Trottenberg, Undersecretary of Transportation for Policy, congratulating her on the Senate confirmation of her appointment.
- C-5** February 22, 2013 letter from Robert F. Mac Donald, Transportation Specialist and Historian, re: Left Turn at Oakland, CA.
- C-6** March 4, 2013 letter from Executive Director Debra L. Hale to Congressman Sam Farr, thanking him for meeting with us and Mayor Don Gage of Gilroy.
- C-7** March 4, 2013 letter from Executive Director Debra L. Hale to Gilroy Mayor Don Gage, thanking him for meeting with us and Congressman Farr.
- C-8** March 4, 2013 letter from Executive Director Debra L. Hale to CCJPA General Manager David B. Kutrosky, re: Resolution Approved: Principles of Agreement.

REPORTS

- R-1** December 2012 Capitol Corridor and California Intercity Passenger Rail Performance Results
- R-2** January 2013 Capitol Corridor and California Intercity Passenger Rail Performance Results

MEDIA CLIPPINGS

- M-1** February 28, 2013 article in the *Monterey County Herald*, “Salinas to San Jose commuter rail service may be a possibility by 2017”
- M-2** March 1, 2013 report in the Rail Passenger Association of California newsletter, “The Coast Starlight and the Coast Line are Just Coasting”
- M-3** March 2, 2013 column in the *Salinas Californian*, “Jeff Mitchell: Will anyone fly from McShane’s roof in 2013?”
- M-4** March 4, 2013 column in the *Salinas Californian*, “Jeff Mitchell: Let’s all get on the junket train!”