

AGENDA

TAMC RAIL POLICY COMMITTEE

Meeting of Monday
January 6, 2014

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 October 7, 2013 Rail Policy Committee meeting.
– Watson

Pages 5 - 8

3.2 RECEIVE Final 2013 California Rail Plan. – Watson **Pages 9 - 10**

Published in October 2013, the statewide rail plan includes information on rail services planned for Monterey County.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

4. REVIEW and COMMENT on draft 2014 Legislative Program. – Watson
Pages 11 - 14

The purpose of the legislative program is to set general principles to guide staff and Board responses to proposed legislative or budgetary issues. The program also notifies state representatives of the Transportation Agency's position on issues of key importance to the agency.

5. RECEIVE update on the Salinas Rail Extension project. – Watson
Pages 15 - 16

Progress since the last update to the Committee about the project on October 7, 2013 includes meetings with Capitol Corridor Joint Powers Authority, presentations to the Gilroy, Morgan Hill, and Salinas City Councils, and publication of the Request for Proposals for the Kick-Start Design Phase.

6. RECEIVE update on the planned Coast Daylight train service between San Francisco and Los Angeles. – Watson **Pages 17 - 21**

Progress since the last update to the Committee about the Coast Daylight on September 9, 2013 includes ongoing negotiations with Union Pacific, Caltrain and Amtrak; and meetings of the Coast Rail Coordinating Council and staff of the intercity passenger rail corridors.

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

8. ADJOURN

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next Rail Policy Committee meeting:

Monday, February 3, 2014

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, January 21, 2014
Christina@tamcmonterey.org**

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CORRESPONDENCE, REPORTS, MEDIA CLIPPINGS

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CORRESPONDENCE

- C-1** September 9, 2013 letter to Ms. Carol Roland-Nawi, State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO), from David Valenstein, Chief, Environment and Systems Planning Division, Federal Railroad Administration, re: Initiation of National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) Section 106 Compliance for the Proposed Improvements and Service to the Coast Rail Corridor; Salinas to San Luis Obsipo

REPORTS

- R-1** September 2013 Capitol Corridor and California Intercity Passenger Rail Performance Results
- R-2** October 2013 Capitol Corridor and California Intercity Passenger Rail Performance Results

MEDIA CLIPPINGS

- M-1** September 26, 2013 article in the Los Angeles Times, "California getting more of its oil by rail"
- M-2** October 10, 2013 article in *Mass Transit*, "California Approves Amtrak Deal"