

AGENDA

TAMC RAIL POLICY COMMITTEE

Meeting of Monday
January 12, 2015

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), Craig (Vice-Chair), Armenta, Bodem, Chavez, Delgado, Parker, Phillips, Rubio, and Smith.

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 **item 3.1** 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 6, 2014 Rail Policy Committee meeting.
– Watson

Pages 5 - 7

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

4. **RECEIVE** and **COMMENT** on the draft 2015 Legislative Program. – Watson
Pages 8 - 12

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 status of the planned Coast Daylight train service between San Francisco and Los Angeles. – Watson **Pages 13 - 14**

Progress since the last update to the Committee about the Coast Daylight in October 2014 includes hearings on the Coast Corridor Environmental Impact Statement/ Environmental Impact Report (EIS/EIR). Staff also participated in meetings of the Coast Daylight Policy and Technical committees, of the intercity passenger rail corridors group, with the team working on the environmental review, and with Amtrak regarding the feasibility study.

6. **RECEIVE** update on the Salinas Rail Extension project. – Watson
Pages 15 - 18

Progress since the last update to the Committee about the project on October 2014 includes a kick-off meeting with the consultant team for the design phase, a meeting with the Salinas Intermodal Transportation Steering Committee, and meetings with right-of-way consultants.

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 2, 2015

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 20, 2015

Christina@tamcmonterey.org

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CORRESPONDENCE, REPORTS, MEDIA CLIPPINGS

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CORRESPONDENCE

- C-1** October 2, 2014 Memo from Jim Allison, Manager of Planning, CCJPA, to Christina Watson, Project Manager, TAMC, re: TAMC Salinas Extension: Agenda Topics and Focus
- C-2** December 4, 2014 letter from Marian Lee, Executive Officer, Caltrain Modernization Program, to Debra L. Hale, TAMC Executive Director, re: Final Environmental Impact Report for the Peninsula Corridor Electrification Project

Online

REPORTS

- R-1** September 2014 Capitol Corridor and California Intercity Passenger Rail Performance Results
- R-2** October 2014 Capitol Corridor and California Intercity Passenger Rail Performance Results

Online

MEDIA CLIPPINGS

- M-1** October 8, 2014 article in the *Sacramento Bee*, "Railroads sue California over new crude oil rules"
- M-2** October 13, 2014 column in the *Salinas Californian*, "We Could Car Less: Traveling by train is worth a try"
- M-3** October 16, 2014 article in the *Contra Costa Times*, "Report on Central Coast refinery project that could bring crude oil trains through East Bay cities available for public review"
- M-4** October 2014 Salinas Chamber Newsletter item, "Kasavan Architects Promotes Cristian Flores"