

# AGENDA

## TAMC RAIL POLICY COMMITTEE

Meeting of Monday  
October 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), Craig (Vice-Chair), Armenta, Calcagno, Chavez, Delgado, Morgan, Parker, Rubio, and Sollecito.

*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.

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**BEGINNING OF CONSENT AGENDA:** Approve the staff recommendations for **items 3.1-3.3** 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 August 4, 2014 Rail Policy Committee meeting. – Zeller

- 3.2 APPROVE** 2015 schedule of Rail Policy Committee meetings. – Watson  
**Pages 9 - 10**

*The proposed schedule of Rail Policy Committee meetings for 2015 follows the existing pattern of meetings on the first Monday of the month at 3:00 p.m. except July and December, when all committee meetings are cancelled due to holidays; January, when the meeting is on the second Monday due to the New Year's holiday, and September, when the meeting is on the second Monday due to the Labor Day holiday. Staff recommends cancelling the October meeting, due to anticipated conflicts.*

- 3.3 RECEIVE** information on cap and trade funding program guideline comments. – Watson  
**Pages 11 - 17**

*In June, the state approved a cap and trade funding plan and state budget. State agencies are now developing guidelines to implement the new funding programs. This report summarizes the actions taken to date and comments submitted on the various programs.*

**END OF CONSENT AGENDA**

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- 4. RECEIVE** update from Monterey-Salinas Transit (MST) regarding a proposed express busway on the Monterey Branch Line. – Watson/Harvath  
**Pages 18 - 19**

*Hunter Harvath, MST's Assistant General Manager, Finance & Administration, will present an update on MST's proposal to build an express busway on the Monterey Branch Line.*

- 5. 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 August 4, 2014 includes meetings of the Coast Daylight Policy and Technical Advisory committees, the intercity passenger rail corridors, 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 22 - 25**

*Progress since the last update to the Committee about the project on August 4, 2014 includes work on the contract for the design phase, a meeting with Watsonville Mayor Karina Cervantez and Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission staff, and meetings with right-of-way consultants. This report includes a draft train schedule for the project.*

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, November 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, October 21, 2014**

**[Christina@tamcmonterey.org](mailto:Christina@tamcmonterey.org)**

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The next Rail Policy Committee agenda will be prepared by Agency staff and will close at noon Tuesday, October 21, 2014, nine (9) working days before the regular meeting. Any member may request in writing an item to appear on the agenda. The request shall be made by the agenda deadline and any supporting papers must be furnished by that time or be readily available.

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## **CORRESPONDENCE, REPORTS, MEDIA CLIPPINGS**

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### **CORRESPONDENCE**

- C-1** July 21, 2014 letter to Ms. Marian Lee, Caltrain, from Walter Lander, Amtrak, re: Coast Daylight Feasibility Study
- C-2** August 18, 2014 letter from California Intercity Passenger Rail Agencies to California State Transportation Agency (CalSTA) Secretary Brian Kelly, re: Input for Cap and Trade Guidelines
- C-3** August 28, 2014 letter from Coast Rail Coordinating Council to California State Transportation Agency (CalSTA) Secretary Brian Kelly, re: Input for Cap and Trade Guidelines: Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program

### **REPORTS**

- R-1** July 2014 Capitol Corridor and California Intercity Passenger Rail Performance Results
- R-2** August 2014 Capitol Corridor and California Intercity Passenger Rail Performance Results

### **MEDIA CLIPPINGS**

- M-1** July 31, 2014 article on KAZU, "How could passenger rail in Santa Cruz County serve you"
- M-2** August 4, 2014 *Californian* column "We Could Car Less" by Macgregor "Goya" Eddy, "Rail, bus rides you may not know about"
- M-3** August 6, 2014 article in the *Santa Cruz Good Times*, "Future Train"
- M-4** September 17, 2014 article in the *Monterey County Weekly*, "Salinas to explore El Gabilan Library expansion with possible allUS Credit Union partnership"
- M-5** September 24, 2014 article in *Mass Transit*, "CA: Plan to Disburse Climate Change Funds Challenged by Bay Area Officials"