



LOSSAN Rail Corridor Agency

Board Meeting

Agenda

Monday, May 18, 2026 at 12:30 p.m.

Meeting Location:

LA Metro (1 Gateway Plaza, Los Angeles)

Board Members

Fred Strong, SLOCOG, Chair

Jewel Edson, NCTD, Vice Chair

Fernando Dutra, Metro

Katrina Foley, OCTA

Fred Jung, OCTA

Joy Lyndes, SANDAG

Jennifer Mendoza, SDMTS

Paula Perotte, SBCAG

Dana Reed, RCTC

Jess Talamantes, Metro

Jim White, VCTC

Jeanne Cantu, Amtrak, Ex-Officio

LaDonna DiCamillo, CHSRA, Ex-Officio

Kyle Gradinger, Caltrans, Ex-Officio

Vacant, SCAG, Ex-Officio

Teleconference Locations:

Fullerton City Hall

303 W. Commonwealth Ave.

Fullerton, CA

Lemon Grove City Hall

3232 Main St.

Lemon Grove, CA

Encinitas City Hall, Carnation Room

505 S. Vulcan Ave.

Encinitas, CA

Goleta City Hall

130 Cremona Dr.

Goleta, CA



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Agenda Descriptions

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Call to Order

Roll Call

Pledge of Allegiance

Closed Session

A Closed Session is not scheduled.

Special Calendar

There are no Special Calendar Matters.

Consent Calendar (Items 1 through 4)

All items on the Consent Calendar are to be approved in one motion unless a Board Member or a member of the public requests separate action or discussion on a specific item.

1. Approval of Minutes

Recommendations(s)

Approve the minutes of the March 16, 2026 LOSSAN Rail Corridor Agency Board of Director's meeting.

Attachments:

[Minutes](#)

2. Amendment No. 2 to Cooperative Agreement No. L-4-0019 with San Luis Obispo Council of Governments for Fare Subsidy Program

Overview

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The original agreement established a one-year term through April 30, 2026, with a not-to-exceed amount of \$15,000. Amendment No. 1 was subsequently executed administratively to increase the maximum obligation to \$40,000 and extend the term through June 30, 2026.

Staff is now seeking Board of Directors' approval for Amendment No. 2 to increase the total contract value to \$140,000 and extend the agreement through June 30, 2028.



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Recommendation(s)

- A. Authorize the Managing Director to execute Amendment No. 2 to Cooperative Agreement No. L-4-0019 between the LOSSAN Rail Corridor Agency and the San Luis Obispo Council of Governments to increase the contract authority by \$100,000, for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$140,000 and extend the term through June 30, 2028.

- B. Approve the discounted fare table associated with the fare subsidy program, as reflected in Attachment A, for the term of the agreement through June 30, 2028.

Attachments:

[Staff Report](#)

[Attachment A](#)

3. Amendment No. 2 to Agreement No. L-4-0018 with San Joaquin Joint Powers Authority for Federal Rail Advocacy Services

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The original agreement was executed for a not-to-exceed amount of \$50,000, through June 30, 2025. Amendment No. 1 was subsequently executed administratively to extend the term through June 30, 2026, and increase the not-to-exceed amount by \$40,000, for a total authorized amount of \$90,000.

Staff is seeking Board of Directors' approval for Amendment No. 2 in the amount of \$140,000, to extend the agreement through December 31, 2029, increasing the total contract value to \$230,000.

Recommendation(s)

Authorize the Managing Director to execute Amendment No. 2 to Agreement No. L-4-0018 between the Los Angeles - San Diego - San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency and the San Joaquin Joint Powers Authority to add \$140,000, increasing the total contract value to \$230,000, and extending the term from September 1, 2024, through December 31, 2029.

Attachments:

[Staff Report](#)



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4. Agreement with Union Pacific Railroad for Corridor Hardening and Coastal Resiliency Improvements

Overview

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Recommendation(s)

Authorize the Managing Director to negotiate and execute an agreement between the Los Angeles - San Diego - San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency and Union Pacific Railroad for a not-to-exceed amount of \$19,000,000 for the construction of long-term improvements necessary to stabilize the track and adjacent bluffs in five areas along the Santa Barbara Subdivision.

Attachments:

[Staff Report](#)

Regular Calendar

There are no Regular Calendar Matters.

Discussion Items

5. Senate Bill 1098 Update

Overview

Staff will provide an update on Senate Bill 1098 Working Group Efforts.

6. 2026 World Cup & LA28 Olympic Strategy Update

Overview

Staff will give a presentation update on the upcoming World Cup and Olympics.

Attachments:

[Presentation](#)

7. Public Comments



BOARD MEETING AGENDA

8. **Managing Director's Report**
9. **Board Members' Report**
10. **Adjournment**

The next regularly scheduled meeting of this Board will be held:

10:30 a.m. on Monday, June 15, 2026

OCTA Headquarters
550 South Main Street
Orange, California



Call to Order

The March 16, 2026, meeting of the Board of Directors of the LOSSAN Rail Corridor Agency was called to order by Chair Strong at 10:30 a.m. at the OCTA Headquarters, 550 S. Main St., Orange.

Roll Call

The Clerk of the Board conducted an attendance roll call and announced a quorum present as follows:

Directors Present: Fred Strong, SLOCOG, Vice Chair
Jewel Edson, NCTD
Fred Jung, OCTA
Jeanne Cantu, Amtrak, Ex-Officio
LaDonna DiCamillo, CHSRA, Ex-Officio

Via Teleconference: Fernando Dutra, Metro
Joy Lyndes, SANDAG
Paula Perotte, SBCAG
Dana Reed, RCTC
Jim White, VCTC

Directors Absent: Katrina Foley, OCTA
Jennifer Mendoza, SDMTS
Jess Talamantes, Metro
Kyle Gradinger, Caltrans, Ex-Officio
Vacant, SCAG, Ex-Officio

Staff Present: Jason Jewell, Managing Director
Andrea West, Clerk of the Board
Allison Cheshire, Clerk of the Board, Specialist Sr.
Erin Galang, Clerk of the Board Assistant
James Donich, General Counsel
LOSSAN Staff

Closed Session

1. Closed Session

The Board met in Closed session pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(4)-Conference with General Counsel – Potential Litigation – One Item.

All members were present except Directors Foley, Mendoza, Talamantes and Gradinger.



Consent Calendar

A motion was made by Director Dutra, seconded by Vice Chair Edson, and following a roll call vote, declared passed 8-0, to approve the Consent Calendar (Items 2 through 8).

2. Approval of Minutes

Approve the minutes of the February 17, 2026 LOSSAN Rail Corridor Agency Board of Director's meeting.

3. Fiscal Year 2025-26 Second Quarter Amtrak Pacific Surfliner On-Time Performance Analysis

Receive and file as an information item.

4. Fiscal Year 2025-26 Second Quarter Los Angeles – San Diego – San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Trends

Receive and file as an information item.

5. Fiscal Year 2025-26 Second Quarter Grant Reimbursement Status Report

Receive and file as an information item.

6. Fiscal Year 2025-26 Second Quarter Budget Status Report

Receive and file as an information item.

7. Amendment to Agreement for Pacific Surfliner Website Design and Development Services

Authorize the Managing Director to negotiate and execute Amendment No. 5 to Agreement No. L-2-008 between the Los Angeles – San Diego – San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency and Nansen LLC, to exercise the second option term of the agreement, effective May 16, 2026, through May 15, 2028, in the amount of \$622,486, to provide website design and development services. This will increase the maximum cumulative payment obligation to a total contract value of \$1,592,536.

8. Fiscal Year 2025-26 Second Quarter Amtrak Pacific Surfliner System Safety and Incident Report

Receive and file as an information item.



Regular Calendar

9. State Legislative Status Report

Kristin Jacinto, Executive Director of Government Relations, provided a report on this item.

A motion was made by Director Jung, seconded by Vice Chair Edson, and following a roll call vote, declared passed 8-0, to adopt an OPPOSE UNLESS AMENDED position on Senate Bill 677 (Weiner, D-San Francisco), which would clean up definitions related to previous transit-oriented development legislation, SB 79 (Chapter 512, Statutes of 2025).

10. Final Approval of the Los Angeles – San Diego – San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency Annual Business Plan for Fiscal Years 2026-27 and 2027-28

Jason Jewell, Managing Director, provided a report on this item.

A motion was made by Director Jung, seconded by Vice Chair Edson, and following a roll call vote, declared passed 8-0, to:

- A. Adopt the Los Angeles – San Diego – San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency business plan for Fiscal Years 2026-27 and 2027-28.
- B. Direct staff to submit the Los Angeles – San Diego – San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency business plan for fiscal years 2026-27 and 2027-28 to the Secretary of the California State Transportation Agency by April 1, 2026.
- C. Direct staff to return to the board of Directors in June 2026, as needed, with an updated business plan that includes any revised budget assumptions consistent with the revenue and expense estimates developed by Amtrak and the State-Amtrak Intercity Passenger Rail Committee.
- D. Authorize the Managing Director to approve total advertising and expenditures to exceed \$100,000, in Fiscal Year 2026-27 with Facebook and Google for digital ad placements.

Discussion Items

11. Capital Program Update

David Berryman, LOSSAN Staff, provided a report on this item.

No action was taken on this item.



12. Pacific Surfliner Service Update

Jason Jewell, Managing Director, provided a report on this item.

No action was taken on this item.

In-person public comment was heard from Peter Warner.

13. Public Comments

In-person public comment was heard from Peter Warner.

14. Managing Director's Report

Jason Jewell, Managing Director, reported on ridership.

In-person public comment was heard from Peter Warner.

15. Board Members' Report

Director Lyndes provided an update on events she attended on behalf of SANDAG.

Vice Chair Edson provided an update on a bridge replacement project recently approved by SANDAG.

16. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:39 a.m. The next regularly scheduled meeting of this Board will be held:

12:30 p.m. on Monday, May 18, 2026

LA Metro
1 Gateway Plaza
Los Angeles, CA



May 18, 2026

To: Members of the Board of Directors

From: Jason Jewell, Managing Director 

Subject: Amendment No. 2 to Cooperative Agreement No. L-4-0019 with San Luis Obispo Council of Governments for Fare Subsidy Program

Overview

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The original agreement established a one-year term through April 30, 2026, with a not-to-exceed amount of \$15,000. Amendment No. 1 was subsequently executed administratively to increase the maximum obligation to \$40,000 and extend the term through June 30, 2026.

Staff is now seeking Board of Directors' approval for Amendment No. 2 to increase the total contract value to \$140,000 and extend the agreement through June 30, 2028.

Recommendation

- A. Authorize the Managing Director to execute Amendment No. 2 to Cooperative Agreement No. L-4-0019 between the LOSSAN Rail Corridor Agency and the San Luis Obispo Council of Governments to increase the contract authority by \$100,000, for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$140,000 and extend the term through June 30, 2028.

- B. Approve the discounted fare table associated with the fare subsidy program, as reflected in Attachment A, for the term of the agreement through June 30, 2028.

Background

The Pacific Surfliner provides intercity passenger rail service through the Los Angeles – San Diego – San Luis Obispo (LOSSAN) rail corridor, including service to communities in northern San Luis Obispo County such as San Luis Obispo, Grover Beach, and Guadalupe.

In 2025, extended closures and ongoing construction activity along U.S. Highway 101 in this region significantly impacted travel between these communities, limiting roadway capacity and increasing travel times. To help address these impacts and provide an alternative transportation option, LOSSAN partnered with San Luis Obispo Council of Governments (SLOCOG) to implement a fare subsidy program for Pacific Surfliner passengers traveling between these station pairs.

Under the agreement, SLOCOG subsidizes 75 percent of the approved fare, reducing the cost of travel for passengers and encouraging use of the train as a reliable alternative during the highway disruption.

The program was initially structured as a short-term initiative with a limited funding commitment, with the understanding that adjustments could be made based on program performance and continued transportation needs.

Discussion

Since implementation, the fare subsidy program has experienced higher-than-anticipated demand, exceeded initial funding assumptions, and demonstrated continued need for the service. Amendment No. 1 addressed this demand in the near term by increasing the maximum obligation and extending the agreement through June 30, 2026.

Amendment No. 2 is necessary to ensure continuity of the program as transportation impacts associated with U.S. Highway 101 construction are expected to continue.

The proposed amendment will:

- Increase the maximum cumulative payment obligation from \$40,000 to \$140,000
- Extend the term of the agreement from June 30, 2026, through June 30, 2028
- Provide flexibility for the parties to adjust the subsidy percentage upon mutual written agreement, if needed, to support effective program administration

Approval of Amendment No. 2 is being brought to the Board of Directors at this time as the total contract value will exceed \$100,000, which requires Board authorization under LOSSAN's procurement and contracting policies.

The discounted fare table is being presented for Board approval to formally establish the fare structure associated with the program for the duration of the agreement term.

Fiscal Impact

Amendment No. 2 will increase the contract authority by \$100,000, bringing the total not-to-exceed amount to \$140,000 over the term of the agreement.

The original agreement was approved for \$15,000, and Amendment No. 1 increased the total authorization to \$40,000.

Funding for this agreement is provided by SLOCOG through reimbursement of subsidized fares. There is no net financial impact to LOSSAN beyond administrative oversight.

Summary

The fare subsidy program with SLOCOG was implemented to support mobility in northern San Luis Obispo County during disruptions to U.S. Highway 101. Due to higher-than-anticipated demand and ongoing transportation impacts, additional funding and an extended term are necessary to continue the program.

Staff recommends that the Board of Directors authorize the Managing Director to execute Amendment No. 2 to Cooperative Agreement No. L-4-0019 to increase the contract authority to \$140,000 and extend the agreement through June 30, 2028.

Attachment

- A. Discounted Fare Tables

Approved by:



Kristopher Ryan
Chief Finance Officer
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Discounted Fare Tables

For all tickets sold at discounted fares under this program, the difference between the discounted fare and the full fare approved by the Los Angeles – San Diego – San Luis Obispo (LOSSAN) Rail Corridor Agency (Agency) Board of Directors (Board) shall be reimbursed to the LOSSAN Agency. The subsidy provided by SLOCOG will cover 75 percent (%) of the approved full fare for each applicable station pair, with passengers responsible for the remaining 25%. If the LOSSAN Agency Board of Directors approves this fare structure, the 75% subsidy will apply to the Board-approved full fare, rounded to the nearest dollar, in accordance with the terms of the Agreement.

Fare amounts are based on Pacific Surfliner coach fares effective as of May 1, 2025, the effective date of the Agreement. The total subsidy amount reimbursed shall not exceed the maximum cumulative payment obligation established in Article 6 of the Agreement, as amended.

The tables below provide the applicable fares and subsidy amounts for each station pair and fare type as of the effective date of the Agreement. They reflect the full fare approved by the LOSSAN Agency Board, the portion covered by the San Luis Obispo Council of Governments (SLOCOG) subsidy, and the remaining fare paid by passengers. These discounted fare tables apply for the duration of the Agreement term through June 30, 2028, unless otherwise modified in accordance with the Agreement.

One-Way Fare Breakdown

Station Pair	Board-Approved Full Fare	SLOCOG Subsidy (75%)	Passenger Share (25%)
SLO-GVB	\$ 11.00	\$ 8.00	\$ 3.00
SLO-GUA	\$ 17.00	\$ 13.00	\$ 4.00
GVB-GUA	\$ 9.00	\$ 7.00	\$ 2.00

Monthly Fare Breakdown

Station Pair	Board-Approved Full Fare	SLOCOG Subsidy (75%)	Passenger Share (25%)
SLO-GVB	\$ 99.00	\$ 74.00	\$ 25.00
SLO-GUA	\$ 150.00	\$ 113.00	\$ 37.00
GVB-GUA	\$ 102.00	\$ 77.00	\$ 25.00


10-Ride Fare Breakdown

Station Pair	Board-Approved Full Fare	SLOCOG Subsidy (75%)	Passenger Share (25%)
SLO-GVB	\$ 53.00	\$ 40.00	\$ 13.00
SLO-GUA	\$ 82.00	\$ 62.00	\$ 20.00
GVB-GUA	\$ 56.00	\$ 42.00	\$ 14.00



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The original agreement was executed for a not-to-exceed amount of \$50,000, through June 30, 2025. Amendment No. 1 was subsequently executed administratively to extend the term through June 30, 2026, and increase the not-to-exceed amount by \$40,000, for a total authorized amount of \$90,000.

Staff is seeking Board of Directors' approval for Amendment No. 2 in the amount of \$140,000, to extend the agreement through December 31, 2029, increasing the total contract value to \$230,000.

Recommendation

Authorize the Managing Director to execute Amendment No. 2 to Agreement No. L-4-0018 between the Los Angeles – San Diego – San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency and the San Joaquin Joint Powers Authority to add \$140,000, increasing the total contract value to \$230,000, and extending the term from September 1, 2024, through December 31, 2029.

Discussion

The cooperative agreement with San Joaquin Joint Powers Authority (SJJPA) allows the Los Angeles – San Diego – San Luis Obispo (LOSSAN) Rail Corridor Agency to remain current on federal legislative efforts, including funding opportunities related to

intercity rail. These services support engagement with federal legislators, agencies, and industry stakeholders on matters affecting intercity passenger rail funding, policy, and program development.

SJJPA serves as the lead agency for procuring federal legislative advocacy services on behalf of participating intercity passenger rail agencies. In 2024, SJJPA conducted a competitive procurement process for these services and selected Tai Ginsberg & Associates, LLC to provide federal legislative advocacy support under a multi-year agreement.

Through this structure, LOSSAN is able to participate in these services without conducting a separate procurement, while benefiting from a coordinated statewide approach to federal advocacy.

These services are also provided in coordination with California's Intercity Rail Corridors Linking Everyone (CIRCLE), an informal coalition of California's intercity passenger rail agencies that works collaboratively to inform federal policymakers about state-supported intercity rail services and promote California's expanding rail system and investments.

The scope of services includes coordination with state partners and other joint powers authorities, outreach to members of Congress and their staff, participation in national rail policy discussions, and support for legislative initiatives that benefit state-supported intercity passenger rail services.

Amendment No. 2 will:

- Extend the term of the agreement through December 31, 2029; and
- Increase the contract authority by \$140,000.

Continuing participation in this coordinated advocacy effort ensures that LOSSAN remains aligned with statewide priorities and maintains a strong presence in federal legislative and funding discussions that directly impact the Pacific Surfliner rail corridor.

Fiscal Impact

The \$140,000 anticipated cost for Amendment No. 2 represents an increase in contract authority over the extended term of the agreement. Funding for this agreement will be included in future Fiscal Year budgets and is subject to Board of Directors' approval through the annual budget process.

The original agreement was approved for \$50,000, and Amendment No. 1 added \$40,000, bringing the total prior authorization to \$90,000. Approval of Amendment No. 2 will increase the total contract value to \$230,000.

Summary

Staff recommends the Board of Directors authorize the Managing Director to execute Amendment No. 2 to Agreement No. L-4-0018 with the San Joaquin Joint Powers Authority, in the amount of \$140,000, to extend the agreement through December 31, 2029, for continued participation in federal legislative advocacy services.

Attachment

None.

Approved by:




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May 18, 2026

To: Members of the Board of Directors

From: Jason Jewell, Managing Director 

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Overview

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Recommendation

Authorize the Managing Director to negotiate and execute an agreement between the Los Angeles – San Diego – San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency and Union Pacific Railroad for a not-to-exceed amount of \$19,000,000 for the construction of long-term improvements necessary to stabilize the track and adjacent bluffs in five areas along the Santa Barbara Subdivision.

Background

In February 2020, the Los Angeles – San Diego – San Luis Obispo (LOSSAN) Rail Corridor Agency (Agency) Board of Directors (Board) approved an agreement with Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) to design and construct capital improvements necessary to implement two additional roundtrips north of Los Angeles. This agreement included \$3,055,000 in committed funding for Corridor Hardening, which included small bluff stabilization projects.

Since 2022, as part of ongoing efforts to address the accelerating coastal resiliency challenges along the rail corridor from San Diego to San Luis Obispo,

the LOSSAN Agency has partnered with Union Pacific Railroad to identify critical and urgent coastal resiliency areas and define long-term solutions.

At the March 18, 2024, meeting, the Board approved the negotiation and execution of an agreement with UPRR for \$10,406,000 to design and construct repairs at Hollister Ranch and Surfin' Cowboy on the Santa Barbara Subdivision. Construction at these two locations was completed in 2025.

Discussion

LOSSAN staff, in coordination with Union Pacific Railroad, have identified a program of projects that would address five additional areas of previously identified destabilization. To complete this program of projects, LOSSAN would provide \$19 million for Union Pacific to design and construct bluff stabilization measures in the areas of Rincon Point (Santa Barbara), Ortega Hill, El Capitan, Tajiguas, and Cojo. Each of these areas is in Santa Barbara County and within the same region that experienced a recent landslide resulting in a weeklong track closure north of Goleta in January 2026.

LOSSAN Agency staff have been working with UPRR to develop preliminary designs and advance environmental clearance for these resiliency projects as quickly as possible. They are located between mileposts 319.01 and 380.70 and are experiencing accelerated erosion due to inclement weather and require immediate attention.

The proposed improvements would include (but are not limited to) improving drainage by replacing and constructing all necessary culverts and piping, as well as implementing structural measures such as walls and/or tiebacks to secure and restore hillside and slopes in the vulnerable areas. The proposed measures will significantly improve long-term safety and reliability in the affected areas.

Staff have been working with UPRR to prepare a draft agreement to help fund the work required at these five locations. Following Board approval, UPRR will execute an agreement with the contractor to perform the work. The term of this agreement is anticipated to be three years.

Fiscal Impact

Funding for this project is provided through Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP) and State Rail Assistance funding and is included in the Fiscal Year 2025-26 Budget. The value of the agreement is a maximum obligation not to exceed \$19,000,000.

Summary

Staff have been working with Union Pacific Railroad to draft a reimbursement agreement for the construction of five coastal resiliency projects along the Santa Barbara Subdivision. The projects are consistent with those previously identified in coordination with Union Pacific Railroad. Staff are seeking Board approval to negotiate and execute the agreement with Union Pacific Railroad.

Attachment

None.

Prepared by:

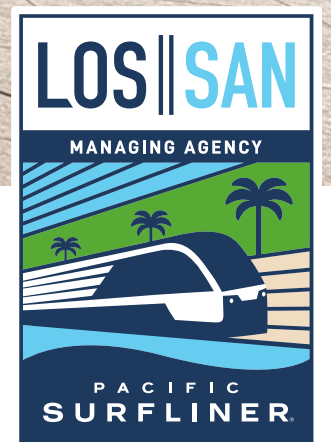


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2026 World Cup & LA28 Olympic Strategy Update

Board of Directors Meeting | May 18, 2026



2026 FIFA World Cup

24 days away!

PacificSurfliner.com/soccer26

- Centralizes travel information and promotions
- Showcases Pacific Surfliner as a direct, stress-free alternative to driving
- Highlights seamless connections at Union Station to Metro shuttle service to SoFi Stadium
- Aligns messaging across partners to drive awareness, ridership, and coordinated service delivery



Regional Coordination



METRO
LINK



- Active coordination with Metro, Metrolink, OCTA, and regional partners
- Alignment on schedules, transfers, and capacity planning
- Participation in rail subcommittees and interagency planning groups
- Contributing to wayfinding conversations

Scaling Transit to Meet Event Demand

3 SERVICE STRATEGY

Targeted Service Adjustments During Peak Event Window



NO CHANGE

Existing service continues as scheduled



HOLD TRAIN

Strategic train holds to manage post-event surges



ADD TRAIN

Additional trains added to provide extra capacity



ADD STOP

Additional stops added to improve access and convenience

WORLD CUP 2026 | SERVICE ADJUSTMENT WINDOW

JUNE 11 – JULY 19, 2026

JUNE	11	12	13	14	15	18	21	25	26	27	28	29	30	JULY													
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Our approach ensures the right level of service at the right time—maximizing capacity for fans while maintaining reliability across the network.

Promoting Train Travel to the World Cup

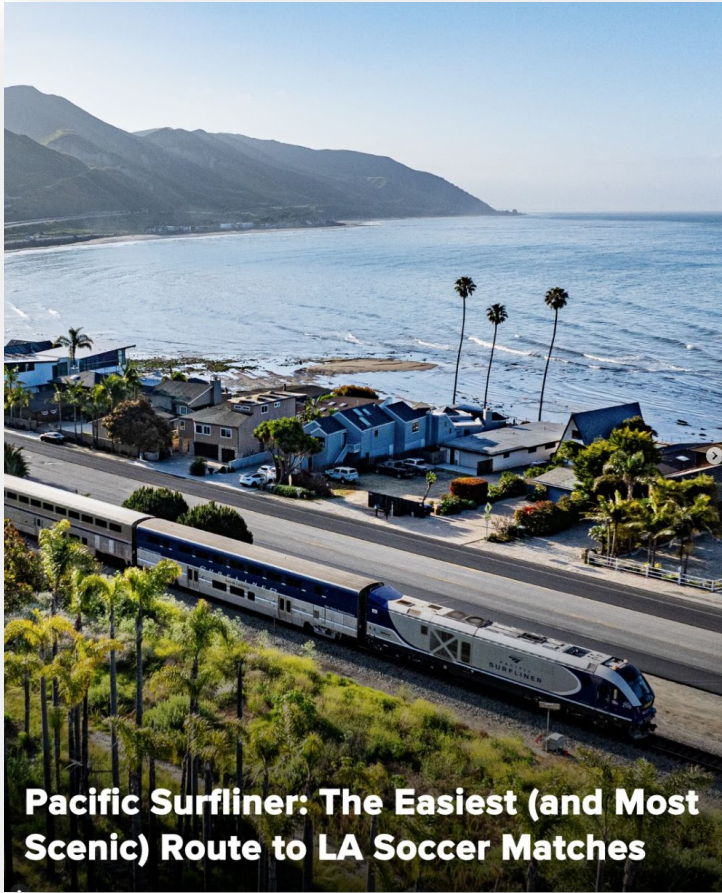
- Campaigns launched across key channels
- Strategic partnerships secured
- Cross-stakeholder coordination established
- Platform for scaled engagement built



Actively Engaged in LA28 Planning & Coordination

- Participating in LA28 Rail Subcommittee to align transit planning with event needs
- Regional security coordination meetings
- Regular stakeholder touchpoints with LA28 partner agencies
- Collaborating with Caltrans to identify and secure resources





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