



# LOSSAN Rail Corridor Agency

## Board Meeting

### Agenda

Tuesday, February 18, 2025 at 10:30 a.m.

#### **Meeting Location:**

OCTA Headquarters, 550 S. Main St., Orange, CA

#### **Board Members**

Fred Jung, OCTA, Vice Chair

Fernando Dutra, Metro

Jewel Edson, NCTD

Katrina Foley, OCTA

Joy Lyndes, SANDAG

Jenifer Mendoza, SDMTS

Paula Perotte, SBCAG

Dana Reed, RCTC

Fred Strong, SLOCOG

Jess Talamantes, Metro

Jim White, VCTC

Raymond Gregory, RCTC, Alternate

David Perry, Metro, Alternate

Jeanne Cantu, Amtrak, Ex-Officio

LaDonna DiCamillo, CHSRA, Ex-Officio

John Gabbard, SCAG, Ex-Officio

Kyle Gradinger, Caltrans, Ex-Officio

#### **Teleconference Locations:**

Fullerton City Hall  
303 W. Commonwealth Ave.  
Fullerton, CA

County of Orange  
400 W Civic Center Dr  
Santa Ana, CA

Encinitas City Hall  
505 S. Vulcan Ave.  
Encinitas, CA

Goleta City Hall, Room 1  
130 Cremona Dr.  
Goleta, CA



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City of Cathedral City, Study Session Room  
68-700 Avenida Lalo Guerrero  
Cathedral City, CA

Lemon Grove City Hall  
3232 Main St.  
Lemon Grove, CA

Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration, Room 830  
500 West Temple St.  
Los Angeles, CA

California Department of Transportation  
3390 Lanatt St., Room B  
Sacramento, CA

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### **In-Person Comment**

Members of the public may attend in-person and address the Board of Directors regarding any item within the subject matter jurisdiction of the LOSSAN Rail Corridor Agency. Please complete a speaker's card and submit it to the Clerk of the Board and notify the Clerk regarding the agenda item number on which you wish to speak. Speakers will be recognized by the Chair at the time of the agenda item is to be considered by the Board. Comments will be limited to three minutes. The Brown Act prohibits the Board from either discussing or taking action on any non-agendized items.

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### **Call to Order**

### **Roll Call**

### **Pledge of Allegiance**

### **Special Calendar**

- 1. Election of Los Angeles - San Diego - San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency  
Board of Directors Chair**

#### ***Overview***

The Los Angeles - San Diego - San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency bylaws state that, at its first meeting each year, the Board of Directors shall elect a Chair who shall preside over meetings.

- 2. Election of Los Angeles - San Diego - San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency  
Board of Directors Vice Chair**

#### ***Overview***

The Los Angeles - San Diego - San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency bylaws state that, at its first meeting each year, the Board of Directors shall elect a Vice Chair who shall preside in the Chair's absence.

- 3. Selection of Executive Committee Members for Calendar Year 2025**

#### ***Overview***

The Los Angeles - San Diego - San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency bylaws specify the membership and composition of the Executive Committee of the Los Angeles - San



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Diego - San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency Board of Directors. Board of Directors' approval for the appointment of Executive Committee members for calendar year 2025 is requested.

#### 4. **Salute to Outgoing Los Angeles - San Diego - San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency Board Members**

##### ***Overview***

Present Los Angeles - San Diego - San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency Resolution of Appreciation Nos. 2025-L001, 2025-L002, 2025-L003, and 2025-L004 to outgoing Board Members Brown, Frank, MacDonald, and Williams.

#### 5. **Proposed 2025 Board of Directors and Executive Committee Meetings Calendar**

##### ***Overview***

Presented is the proposed 2025 Board of Directors and Executive Committee calendar, depicting the dates, times, and anticipated holidays for the year.

##### ***Recommendation(s)***

Approve the Los Angeles - San Diego - San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency 2025 Board of Directors and Executive Committee meetings calendar.

##### ***Attachments:***

[Calendar](#)

#### **Consent Calendar (Items 6 through 15)**

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.

#### 6. **Approval of Minutes**

##### ***Recommendation(s)***

Approve the minutes of the November 18, 2024, Los Angeles - San Diego - San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency Board of Director's meeting.

##### ***Attachments:***

[Minutes](#)

#### 7. **Reimbursement Agreement with the Union Pacific Railroad for Preliminary Engineering Services**

##### ***Overview***

The Los Angeles - San Diego - San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency proposes to enter into a reimbursement agreement with the Union Pacific Railroad for engineering support to include project review and related signal and communication designs for the Ortega



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Siding project.

***Recommendation(s)***

Authorize the Managing Director to negotiate and execute Reimbursement Agreement No. L-5-0014 between the Los Angeles - San Diego - San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency and Union Pacific Railroad, in an amount not to exceed \$300,000, for a period of up to three years, to perform plan reviews and prepare all necessary and related signal and communication designs for the Ortega Siding project.

***Attachments:***

[Staff Report](#)

[Attachment A](#)

**8. Fiscal Year 2024-25 First Quarter Los Angeles - San Diego - San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Trends**

***Overview***

A report on ridership, revenue, and on-time performance for passenger rail services on the Los Angeles - San Diego - San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor, including the Pacific Surfliner, Metrolink, and COASTER, covering the first quarter of state fiscal year 2024-25.

***Recommendation(s)***

Receive and file as an information item.

***Attachments:***

[Staff Report](#)

[Attachment A](#)

**9. Fiscal Year 2024-25 First Quarter Amtrak Pacific Surfliner On-Time Performance Analysis**

***Overview***

On-time performance reflects the quality and dependability of the Pacific Surfliner service, and has a considerable effect on repeat ridership, based on the customer travel experience. This report summarizes the on-time performance of the Amtrak Pacific Surfliner service during the first quarter of state fiscal year 2024-25, covering the months of July, August, and September 2024.

***Recommendation(s)***

Receive and file as an information item.

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### 10. Fiscal Year 2023-24 Annual Financial Statement Audit

#### **Overview**

The Los Angeles - San Diego - San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency is required to complete an annual financial audit pursuant to Government Code Section 6505.6, and as specified in the joint powers agreement, bylaws, and the administrative support agreement. Crowe LLP, an independent accounting firm, has completed the annual audit of the Los Angeles - San Diego - San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency financial statements for fiscal year 2023-24, and has issued its independent auditors' opinion.

#### **Recommendation(s)**

Receive and file the fiscal year 2023-24 Los Angeles - San Diego - San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency audited annual financial statements and accompanying independent auditor's report.

#### **Attachments:**

[Staff Report](#)

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### 11. Fiscal Year 2024-25 First Quarter Grant Reimbursement Status Report

#### **Overview**

The Quarterly Grant Reimbursement Status Report summarizes grant activities for the Los Angeles - San Diego - San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency's Board of Directors. This report focuses on activity for the period of July through September 2024.

#### **Recommendation(s)**

Receive and file as an information item.

#### **Attachments:**

[Staff Report](#)

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[Attachment D](#)

### 12. Fiscal Year 2024-25 First Quarter Budget Status Report

#### **Overview**

The Los Angeles - San Diego - San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency's Fiscal Year 2024-25 budget was approved by the Board of Directors on March 18, 2024. The California State Transportation Agency approved the Fiscal Year 2024-25 budget and



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funding on September 26, 2024. This report summarizes financial activities and performance through the first quarter of Fiscal Year 2024-25, covering the months of July 2024 through September 2024.

***Recommendation(s)***

Receive and file as an information item.

***Attachments:***

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[Attachment C](#)

**13. Fiscal Year 2024-25 First Quarter Amtrak Pacific Surfliner System Safety and Incident Report**

***Overview***

The Los Angeles - San Diego - San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency operating agreement with Amtrak includes police services to provide a safe, secure, and reliable service to Pacific Surfliner crews and passengers. These police services have a considerable effect on repeat ridership, based on the customer travel experience. This report presents a summary on system safety and incidents for Amtrak Pacific Surfliner service during the first quarter of fiscal year 2024-25, covering the months of July, August, and September 2024.

***Recommendation(s)***

Receive and file as an information item.

***Attachments:***

[Staff Report](#)

**14. Semi-Annual Progress Report of the Los Angeles - San Diego - San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency 2024 Work Plan**

***Overview***

On February 20, 2024, the Los Angeles - San Diego - San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency Board of Directors approved the 2024 Work Plan, which highlighted the key initiatives that would be undertaken in support of the 2023 Strategic Plan goals. As part of the implementation of the 2024 Work Plan, progress reports on a semi-annual basis that capture the status of the tasks being done in support of the annual work plan will be provided to the Board of Directors. This semi-annual progress report provides an update on activities in support of the 2024 Work Plan from July 2024 through December 2024.



***Recommendation(s)***

Receive and file as an information item.

***Attachments:***

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**15. Technical Advisory Committee Membership**

***Overview***

The Los Angeles - San Diego - San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency Technical Advisory Committee provides feedback on technical issues associated with improvements in passenger rail service and related facilities on the Los Angeles - San Diego - San Luis Obispo rail corridor. The Board of Directors has an adopted set of policies and procedures for the administration of the Technical Advisory Committee, which includes development of a formal membership roster.

***Recommendation(s)***

Confirm the proposed Los Angeles - San Diego - San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency Technical Advisory Committee membership roster.

***Attachments:***

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**Regular Calendar**

**16. Approval of the 2025 Los Angeles - San Diego - San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency Board Goals and Initiatives**

***Overview***

At the beginning of each calendar year, at the first meeting of the year, the Los Angeles - San Diego - San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency Board of Directors identifies a set of priorities and goals for the year, titled the Board Goals and Initiatives. The Board Goals and Initiatives establish a roadmap of the key areas of focus throughout the calendar year, which are tracked through the Agency's Work Plan. Staff have prepared the 2025 Board Goals and Initiatives for the Board of Directors' review and approval.

***Recommendation(s)***

Approve the 2025 Los Angeles - San Diego - San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency Board Goals and Initiatives.





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**17. Draft Business Plan for Fiscal Years 2025-26 and 2026-27**

***Overview***

The Los Angeles - San Diego - San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency is required to submit an annual business plan to the California State Transportation Agency by April 1st of each year that provides the basis for its annual budget request, outlines operations and service goals, and discusses any proposed changes to the Pacific Surfliner intercity passenger rail service. Staff has prepared a draft of the Annual Business Plan for fiscal years 2025-26 and 2026-27 for the Board of Directors' review.

***Recommendation***

Direct staff to incorporate comments received from the Board of Directors into the Los Angeles - San Diego - San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency's Annual Business Plan for fiscal years 2025-26 and 2026-27 and return to the Board of Directors on March 17, 2025, for final approval.

***Attachments:***

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### **Discussion Items**

**18. Pacific Surfliner Equipment & Service Update**

***Overview***

Staff will provide an update on the Pacific Surfliner equipment and service.

***Attachments:***

[Presentation](#)

**19. Capital Program Update**

***Overview***

Staff will provide an update on the progress of the Los Angeles - San Diego - San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency Capital Program.

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[Presentation](#)



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- 20. Public Comments
- 21. Managing Director's Report
- 22. Board Members' Report
- 23. Closed Session

***Overview***

A Closed Session will be held pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d) - Conference with General Counsel - Potential Litigation - One item.

- 24. Adjournment

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

**At 10:30 a.m. on Monday, March 17, 2025  
(pending Board approval of the Calendar)**

OCTA Headquarters  
550 South Main Street  
Orange, California