

# Los Angeles – San Diego – San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

# SEPTEMBER 6, 2018 MEETING MINUTES

The Los Angeles – San Diego – San Luis Obispo (LOSSAN) Rail Corridor Agency (Agency) Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) met on September 6, 2018, at 12:30 p.m. at the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority, Henry Huntington Room.

### Committee members in attendance:

In Person:

Danny Veeh, SANDAG Jay Fuhrman, LA Metro Rosa Guillen-Sanchez, OCTA

# Guests and Staff in attendance:

In Person:

James Campbell, LOSSAN Jennifer Bergener, LOSSAN Jerry Martin, Public Mark Chang, CHSRA Michael Litschi, LOSSAN Michelle Caudill, Amtrak Robert Williams, RailPac Scott Spaulding, SBCAG Tim Gillham, SLOCOG

Via Teleconference:

Ron Mathieu, SCRRA

*Via Teleconference:* Anna Devers, SLOCOG Emilia Doerr, LOSSAN Roger Lopez, LOSSAN

### Welcome and Introductions

The September 6, 2018, LOSSAN Agency TAC meeting was called to order by Mr. Michael Litschi, Deputy Managing Director (LOSSAN), who welcomed the LOSSAN TAC to the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority, One Gateway Plaza, California. Mr. Litschi asked the participants in the room and over the teleconference line for introductions.

### 1. Public Comments

There were no public comments.

### SPECIAL CALENDAR

There were no Special Calendar matters.

# CONSENT CALENDAR

# 2. Approval of Minutes

The Committee approved the meeting minutes from June 7, 2018. (*Guillen-Sanchez/Veeh*)

# **REGULAR CALENDAR**

# 3. Draft Los Angeles – San Diego – San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Trends for the Second Quarter of Federal Fiscal Year 2017-18

Mr. Roger Lopez (LOSSAN) introduced the item and explained the delay in reporting to the Committee. Mr. Lopez presented the available information on ridership, revenue, and on-time performance trends. Mr. Lopez drew attention to the change to the Metrolink metric from conductor counts to ticket sales, which reflects more accurate ridership numbers. In addition, Mr. Lopez reported that the decrease in Rail 2 Rail ridership with COASTER is consistent with the forecasted numbers with the removal of two train stops in San Diego.

A brief discussion ensued regarding increased ridership due to mudslides in the Santa Barbara region in January 2018. There was no further discussion.

### **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

# 4. October 2018 Schedule Change

Ms. Jennifer Bergener (LOSSAN) introduced Ms. Michelle Caudill (Amtrak) to the Committee. Ms. Caudill provided a brief update on the October 2018 schedule change for the Committee. Ms. Bergener explained that a draft was not available to the Committee because the schedule had not been finalized at the time of the meeting.

There was no discussion.

### 5. Update on Pacific Surfliner Layover Facility Expansion Projects

Mr. James Campbell (LOSSAN) provided a brief update on the Pacific Surfliner layover facility expansion projects in San Luis Obispo, Goleta, and San Diego.

There was no discussion.

### 6. Marketing Update

Ms. Emilia Doerr (LOSSAN) presented an update to the Committee through a PowerPoint presentation. The update included a performance summary, a review of the "Hug the Coast" campaign, the announcement of a new promotion partnership with Disneyland Resort, highlights of the media coverage during the Surfliner Series between the San Diego Padres and the Los Angeles Angels of Anaheim, and information on passenger communications.

There was no discussion.

# 7. Upcoming Agenda Items

Mr. Litschi (LOSSAN) provided a brief overview of the agenda items for the September 2018 Board of Directors meeting. There was no discussion.

# 8. Los Angeles – San Diego – San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency Update

Mr. Litschi (LOSSAN) provided updates on scheduled absolute work windows for: September 8 – 9, 2018 with a bus bridge between Oceanside and San Diego; October 13 – 14, 2018 and October 20 – 21, 2018 with a bus bridge between Irvine and San Diego. Mr. Litschi also informed the Committee of the scheduled station closure in November as part of the Van Nuys planned platform construction.

# 9. Technical Advisory Committee Members' Report

Mr. Jay Fuhrman (LA Metro) informed the Committee that an additional round trip between Los Angeles Union Station and the Burbank Airport station would be included in the October schedule update.

Ms. Rosa Guillen-Sanchez (OCTA) informed the Committee of Rail Safety Month and the special rail service for Rams football home games.

Mr. Ron Mathieu (SCRRA) reminded the Committee about the ceremony to be held September 12, 2018 to mark the 10-year anniversary of the Chatsworth crash.

### 10. Closed Session

There is no Closed Session scheduled.

### 11. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 1:19 p.m.

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

Thursday, November 8, 2018 12:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. Orange County Transportation Authority Conference Room 1012 – 10th Floor 600 South Main Street Orange, California