

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

FEBRUARY 3, 2020 MEETING MINUTES

The Los Angeles – San Diego – San Luis Obispo (LOSSAN) Rail Corridor Agency (Agency) Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) met on February 3, 2020, at 12:30 p.m. at the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority, Henry Huntington Room, 3rd Floor.

Committee members in attendance:

In Person:

Jay Fuhrman, LA Metro Danny Veeh, SANDAG Linda Culp, SANDAG Heather Miller, VCTC Megan LeMaster, OCTA Alexis Murillo Felix, OCTA Scott Spaulding, SBCAG Anna Devers, SLOCOG

Via Teleconference:

Sheldon Peterson, RCTC Damon Blythe, NCTD

Guests and Staff in attendance:

In Person:

Ariel Tapia, RCTC Lorelle Moe-Luna, RCTC Todd McIntyre, SCRRA James Campbell, LOSSAN Rosa Guillen-Sanchez, LOSSAN

Welcome and Introductions

The February 3, 2020, LOSSAN Agency TAC meeting was called to order by Mr. James Campbell, LOSSAN Program Manager, who welcomed the LOSSAN TAC to the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority, One Gateway Plaza, California. Mr. Campbell 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 September and November 2019 meeting minutes.

3. Los Angeles - San Diego - San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Trends for the Fourth Quarter of Federal Fiscal Year 2018-19

The Committee received and filed this an information item.

REGULAR CALENDAR

There are no Regular Calendar matters.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

4. 2020 Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program Update

Mr. Campbell (LOSSAN) provided an update on the 2020 Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program. A TIRCP application was submitted on January 16, 2020 to Caltrans, that included four projects, which included the purchase or overhaul of the existing Amtrak bi-level equipment, the next phases of the San Diego County Maintenance and Layover Facility, additional funding for the construction of the Central Coast Layover Facility in San Luis Obispo, and funding for an valuation study to be performed of the Santa Barbara and Coast Subdivisions. Notice of award will be announced April 1, 2020 by the California State Transportation Agency.

Mr. Jay Fuhrman, LA Metro, asked for an approximate dollar value submitted in the application. Mr. Campbell responded just under 80 million dollars. A brief discussion ensued regarding the submittals and evaluation. There was no further discussion.

5. Los Angeles - San Diego - San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Optimization Study Update

Mr. Campbell (LOSSAN) provided a detailed overview and update on the optimization study, which included a summary of the long-term service pattern concept and infrastructure needs presented to and approved by the operators and how the consultant is currently working through some of the near and mid-term concept scenarios and infrastructure needs. Mr. Campbell also provided an update on the current schedule of the study.

A question was asked regarding the ridership demand assumptions used in developing the service concepts. Mr. Campbell responded that ridership is not directly involved with the study and the slots presented in the service patterns developed are meant to be activated as demand requires it. The consultant shared additional details to the study and how they are looking at various service patterns

to see how the trains can operate with all the infrastructures. Further updates will be provided at a later date.

6. Federal Fiscal Year 2020-21 Annual Business Plan - Final Draft Discussion

Mr. Roger Lopez (LOSSAN) provided an overview of the status on the draft business plan and confirmed there were no additional updates and all comments received have been incorporated and red-lined for viewing. A clean version will be presented to the Board of Directors (Board).

A brief discussion ensued regarding the approval process from the Board. Mr. Lopez confirmed the final draft will be taken to the Board in February and will go back in March for the final approval. There was no further discussion.

7. Pacific Surfliner On-Time Performance Analysis

Mr. Lopez (LOSSAN) provided an overview on the 12-month On-Time Performance analysis, as provided in the PowerPoint. The analysis shows a summary of high points and improvements following the October 2018 schedule change.

A brief discussion ensued regarding the schedule adjustments, CIT improvements, OTP issues, and how it plays into the optimization study. There was no further discussion.

8. Upcoming Agenda Items

Mr. Campbell (LOSSAN) provided an overview of the agenda items for the February 18, 2020 Board of Directors' meeting. A brief discussion ensued for clarifying questions.

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

Mr. Campbell (LOSSAN) provided a brief update on the new Managing Director that started this week. Her first Board of Directors' meeting will be on Tuesday, February 18, 2020.

There was also a Disneyland companion fare promotion and an update on the Wi-Fi for the LOSSAN 6 cars with installation being completed by Amtrak within the upcoming weeks.

10. Technical Advisory Committee Member's Report

Mr. Jay Fuhrman, LA Metro, mentioned the Metrolink schedule changes planned for April, including Saturday service.

Mr. Sheldon Peterson, RCTC, mentioned that a draft of the environmental document will be released this summer for the planned Coachella Valley rail service.

Mr. Danny Veeh, SANDAG, mentioned they signed an agreement with the Navy to redevelop the big military facility near Old Town (70 acres), which is to help build a brand-new facility for cyber security and a central mobility transportation hub.

Also, SANDAG is co-chairing the 2020 California Passenger rail service on April 21st and 22nd in San Diego.

11. Closed Session

There was no Closed Session scheduled.

12. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 1:30 p.m.

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

Thursday, May 7, 2020 12:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. Orange County Transportation Authority Conference Room 8 550 S Main Street, Orange, California