



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

SEPTEMBER 2, 2021 MEETING MINUTES

The Los Angeles – San Diego – San Luis Obispo (LOSSAN) Rail Corridor Agency (Agency) Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) met on September 2, 2021, at 1:00 p.m. via TEAMS conference call.

Committee members in attendance:

Via Teleconference:

Brent Boyd, MTS
Danny Veeh, SANDAG
Sheldon Peterson, RCTC
Megan Taylor, OCTA
Jay Fuhrman, LA Metro
Jeanet Owens, LA Metro
Claire Grasty, VCTC
Martin Erickson, VCTC
Scott Spaulding, SBCAG
Anna Devers, SLOCOG
Steven Fox, SCAG
Roderick Diaz, SCRRA
Victor Stone, UPRR
Ryan Greenway, Caltrans
Anthony Serna, Caltrans

Welcome and Introductions

The September 2, 2021, LOSSAN Agency TAC meeting was called to order by Mr. James Campbell, LOSSAN Manager, Operations and Capital Programs, who welcomed the LOSSAN TAC to the TEAMS conference call. Mr. Campbell asked the participants over the teleconference line for introductions.

1. Public Comments

Paul Dyson (Rail Pac) submitted comments regarding the draft timetables, On-Time Performance, Station Stops, and the Fare Policy.

CONSENT CALENDAR

2. Approval of Minutes

This item was moved by Megan Taylor (OCTA) and seconded by Danny Veeh (SANDAG). The Committee approved the item.

3. The Los Angeles – San Diego – San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Trends for the Second Quarter of Federal Fiscal Year 2020-21

This item was moved by Megan Taylor (OCTA) and seconded by Danny Veeh (SANDAG). The Committee approved the item.

DISCUSSION CALENDAR

4. Pacific Surfliner On-Time Performance Analysis for the Second Quarter of Federal Fiscal Year 2020-21

Ms. Rosa Guillen-Sanchez (LOSSAN) provided a presentation the Pacific Surfliner On-Time performance analysis for the second quarter of federal fiscal year 2020-21, which included the monthly average customer on-time performance, delays, and improvements.

A brief discussion ensued on time and schedule. There was no further discussion.

5. The Los Angeles – San Diego – San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency Strategic Plan Update

Mr. Roger Lopez (LOSSAN) provided a presentation on the strategic plan update for the LOSSAN Agency. Roger gave an overview on the process for updating the agency Strategic Plan, including efforts to define a mission, vision, goals, and objectives for the LOSSAN Agency and where we want the Agency to go in the future.

A discussion ensued regarding the future goals and the vision of the entire corridor for the LOSSAN Agency. There was no further discussion.

6. Pacific Surfliner Proposed October 2021 Schedule Change and Service Recovery

Mr. James Campbell (LOSSAN) provided a proposed schedule change that will help implement a pulsed schedule pattern, add the second roundtrip between San Diego and San Luis Obispo, and include new train numbers and a few new stops as well.

A brief discussion ensued over schedules. There was no further discussion.

7. Coachella Valley San Gorgonio Pass Rail Corridor Service Update

Mr. Campbell (LOSSAN) introduced Sheldon Peterson (RCTC) who provided a brief overview of the San Gorgonio Pass Rail Corridor Service update, which includes the preparation of a service development plan and program-level environmental document.

A brief discussion ensued regarding possible future opportunities on more roundtrips with the expansion on passenger rail.

8. Upcoming Agenda Items

Mr. Campbell (LOSSAN) provided a brief overview of the agenda items for the September 2021 Board of Directors meeting.

There was no further discussion.

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

Mr. Campbell provided a brief update on the work along the Santa Barbara subdivision and Union Pacific, which included replacing the 125-year-old Narlon bridge and 11 switches to upgrade the corridor to powered sidings and centralized traffic control (CTC).

There were no further updates.

10. Technical Advisory Committee Member's Report

Mr. Danny Veeh, SANDAG, mentioned the launch of the midcoast trolley service coming in November, which will be an 11-mile extension from Old Town north to the University (UCSD). Mr. Veeh also mentioned the El Portal Undercrossing in the City of Encinitas and the Del Mar Bluffs stabilization.

Ms. Megan LeMaster, OCTA, mentioned that the Fullerton Station stair project is now complete.

Ms. Claire Grasty, VCTC, shared they implemented Metrolink Saturday service that now runs all the way down the Ventura County Line.

Mr. Roderick Diaz, Metrolink, mentioned they have a new CEO, Darren Kettle, beginning after Labor Day.

Mr. Victor Stone, UPRR, mentioned the CTC project is making progress and moving along on the Santa Barbara Subdivision.

Mr. Ryan Greenway, Caltrans, mentioned the pulsed scheduling for October, inline with the state rail plan. Also, they are currently working on the state rail plan, working on the 2022 ITIP process, and held a series of equity workshops on the state rail plan, and have some follow up workshops coming up.

Mr. Alan Miller, Caltrans, also added they are currently working on the California Intercity Bus Study, which will be connecting intercity buses to rail in a pulsed pattern.

11. Adjournment

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

Thursday, November 4, 2021

Location: TBD

1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.