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## **RAIL POLICY COMMITTEE**

**Monday, October 4, 2021**

**\*\*3:00 PM\*\***

### **REMOTE CONFERENCING ONLY**

*There will be NO physical location of the meeting.*

*Please see all the special meeting instructions at the end of this agenda*

**Join meeting online at:**

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Any person who has a question concerning an item on this agenda may call the Agency Secretary to make inquiry concerning the nature of the item described on the agenda.

### **1. Quorum Check, Call to Order and Introductions**

**If you are unable to attend, please make sure that one of your alternates attends the meeting. Your courtesy to the other members to assure a quorum is appreciated.**

### **2. PUBLIC COMMENT ON TRANSPORTATION MATTERS NOT ON TODAY'S AGENDA.**

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encouraged to submit comments in writing to Maria at maria@tamcmonterey.org by 5:00 pm the Thursday before the meeting, and such comments will be distributed to the Committee before the meeting.

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### **3. BEGINNING OF CONSENT AGENDA**

Approve the staff recommendations for items listed below by majority vote with one motion. Any member may pull an item off the Consent Agenda to be moved to the end of the CONSENT AGENDA for discussion and action.

#### **3.1. APPROVE** minutes of the Rail Policy Committee meeting of September 13, 2021.

- Montiel

*The draft minutes of the September 13, 2021 Rail Policy Committee meeting are attached for review.*

#### **3.2. RECEIVE** update on the planned increase in passenger rail service along the coast corridor between San Francisco and Los Angeles.

- Watson

*Progress since the last update to this Committee in September includes a meeting of the Working Group.*

### **END OF CONSENT AGENDA**

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- Watson/Pulverman

*The 2022 State Rail Plan will update the near-, mid- and long-term vision for passenger rail service throughout California. The plan will build upon the regional rail network integration studies that are being conducted in Monterey County and throughout the state. Josh Pulverman, Caltrans Division of Rail and Mass Transportation, will present an update on the State Rail Plan.*

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- Watson/Simonds

*In July 2021, Caltrans Division of Rail and Mass Transit kicked off Central Coast near-term service deployment work. This project will get the Salinas Rail Extension project into revenue service in the near-term. Shannon Simonds will present an*

*update on progress since the kick-off.*

6. **RECEIVE** update on the Salinas Rail Kick Start project.

- Watson

*Activities on the Salinas Rail Kick Start project since the last update in September include work related to closing out permits for the construction of Package 1 (Salinas Station access and circulation improvements) and coordination efforts with key stakeholders on Packages 2 (Salinas layover facility) and 3 (Gilroy track connections).*

7. **ANNOUNCEMENTS** and/or **COMMENTS** from Rail Policy Committee members on matters that they wish to put on future Committee agendas.
8. **ADJOURN**

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Next Rail Policy Committee meeting:  
**Monday, November 1, 2021 at 3:00 p.m.**

**If you have any items for the next agenda, please submit them to:**

**Christina Watson, Rail Program Coordinator**  
[Christina@tamcmonterey.org](mailto:Christina@tamcmonterey.org)

### **Important Meeting Information**

Remote Meetings: On March 12, 2020, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-25-20, which enhanced State and Local Governments ability to respond to COVID-19 Pandemic based on Guidance for Gatherings issued by the California Department of Public Health. The Executive Order specifically allowed local legislative bodies to hold meetings via teleconference and to make meetings accessible electronically, in order to protect public health. That order expired on September 30, 2021. Governor Newsom has now signed AB 361, and the TAMC Board of Directors approved a resolution to enact AB 361 on September 22, 2021. This legislation permits teleconferencing for Brown Act meetings during a state of emergency. Thus, TAMC meetings will convene remotely, until further notice. For remote meetings, the public is strongly encouraged to use the Zoom app for best reception. Prior to the meeting, participants should download the Zoom app at: <https://zoom.us/download>. A link to simplified instruction for the use of the Zoom app is: <https://blog.zoom.us/wordpress/2018/07/03/video-communications-best-practice-guide/>.

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Office is closed an all employees are working remotely until further notice  
TEL: 831-775-0903  
EMAIL: info@tamcmonterey.org

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### **CORRESPONDENCE, REPORTS, MEDIA CLIPPINGS**

- C 1. RECEIVE** correspondence attached online.
- C 2. RECEIVE** reports attached online.
- C 3. RECEIVE** media clippings attached online.



## ***Memorandum***

**To:** Rail Policy Committee  
**From:** Maria Montiel, Administrative Assistant  
**Meeting Date:** October 4, 2021  
**Subject:** **Draft September RPC Minutes**

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### **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

**APPROVE** minutes of the Rail Policy Committee meeting of September 13, 2021.

### **SUMMARY:**

The draft minutes of the September 13, 2021 Rail Policy Committee meeting are attached for review.

### **ATTACHMENTS:**

- ▣ Draft September RPC Minutes

TRANSPORTATION AGENCY FOR MONTEREY COUNTY (TAMC)

**RAIL POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING**

*DRAFT Minutes of September 13, 2021*

Transportation Agency for Monterey County

ZOOM REMOTE VIDEO/PHONE CONFERENCE ONLY

	SEP 20	OCT 20	NOV 20	JAN 21	FEB 21	MAR 21	APR 21	MAY 21	JUN 21	JUL 21	AUG 21	SEP 21
L. Alejo, Dist. 1 (L. Gonzalez, <del>J. Gomez</del> )	C	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	C	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	N	P(A)	P(A)
J. Phillips, Dist. 2 (J. Stratton, <del>C. Link</del> )	A	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	A	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	O	P(A)	-
W. Askew, Dist. 4 (Y. Anderson)	N	P(A)	-	P(A)	E	N	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)		E	P(A)
M. Adams, Dist. 5, ( <del>S. Hardgrave</del> , C. Courtney)	C	P(A)	E	E	P(A)	C	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	M	P(A)	P(A)
M. LeBarre, King City, Chair (C. DeLeon)	E	P	P	P	P	E	P	P	P	E	P	P
C. Medina Dirksen, Marina (B. Delgado)	L	-	-	-	P	L	-	-	P(A)	E	P	P
E. Smith, Monterey (D. Albert, A. Renny)	L	P	P	P	P	L	P	P	E	T	E	P
K. Craig, Salinas, (C. Cromeenes)	E	P	P	P	E	E	P	P	P	I	P	-
G. Hawthorne, Sand City ( <del>J. Blackwelder</del> , K. Cruz)	D	-	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	D	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	N	P(A)	P(A)
I. Oglesby, Seaside (D. Pacheco)		-	-	P	P		P	P	P	G	P	P
A. Chavez, Soledad (F. Ledesma)		-	P	-	P		-	P	P		P	-
D. Potter, At Large Member, Vice Chair		P	P	-	E		P	P	P		P	P
M. Twomey, AMBAG ( <del>H. Adamson</del> , P. Hierling)		P(A)	P(A)	-	P(A)		P(A)	P(A)	P(A)		P(A)	P(A)
O. Monroy-Ochoa, Caltrans District 5		-	-		P		-	-	-		-	P
C. Sedoryk, MST (L. Rheinheimer)		P(A)	P(A)	P(A)	P(A)		P(A)	P(A)	P(A)		P(A)	P(A)
<b>STAFF</b>												
D. Hale, Exec. Director		P	P	P	P		P	P	P		E	P
T. Muck, Deputy Exec. Director		P	P	P	P		P	P	P		P	P
C. Watson, Principal Transp. Planner		P	P	P	P		P	P	P		P	P
M. Zeller, Principal Transp. Planner		P	P	P	P		P	P	E		P	P
T. Wright, Outreach Coordinator		-	P	P	P		P	-	P		-	-
M. Montiel Admin Assistant		P	P	P	P		P	P	P		P	P
L. Williamson, Senior Engineer		P	-	P	P		P	P	P		P	P
M. Jacobsen, Assoc. Transportation Planner		P	P	P	P		P	P	P		P	P
D. Bilse, Principal Engineer							P	-	-		-	-

**1. QUORUM CHECK AND CALL TO ORDER**

Chair LeBarre called the meeting to order at 3:03 p.m. A quorum was established.

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Robert Williams	RailPros	Octavio Hurtado	City of King City
Benson Kwong	Caltrans	Tarah Brady	Caltrans

**2. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

**3. CONSENT AGENDA**

**M/S/C** Potter/Smith /unanimous

**3.1** Approved minutes of the August 2, 2021, Rail Policy Committee meeting.  
Committee Member Oglesby joined after consent.

**END OF CONSENT AGENDA**

**4. COAST CORRIDOR RAIL PROJECT UPDATE**

The Committee received an update on the planned increase in passenger rail service along the coast corridor between San Francisco and Lon Angeles, including a status update on the King City Multimodal Transit Center project.

Christina Watson, Principal Transportation Planner, reported that the Coast Rail Coordinating Council (CRCC) Policy Committee meeting is scheduled for October 15 with the goal of having an in-person meeting, potentially in Monterey. She introduced Octavio Hurtado, City Engineer for the City of King, and Robert Williams with Rail Pros, who presented an update on King City's Multimodal Transit Center project.

Chair LeBarre noted that the Monterey Bay Compatible Use Study by military recognized that the project incorporated Fort Hunter Liggett security needs in the designs and suggested the project could be a candidate for the Defense Critical Infrastructure Program.

Committee Member Smith suggested that Mr. Hurtado reach out to Andrea Renny, City of Monterey, as she has extensive military contacts via the intergovernmental service agreement.

**5. SURF! BUSWAY PROJECT**

The Committee received an update on the SURF! Busway and Bus Rapid Transit project along the Monterey Branch Line from Marina to Sand City/Seaside.

Madilyn Jacobsen, Associate Transportation Planner, reported that the SURF! Busway and Bus Rapid Transit Project is part of a larger effort to build a modern mobility network for the Monterey Peninsula and beyond.

Lisa Rheinheimer, Monterey-Salinas Transit, reported that MST is the Lead Agency for the project under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Ms. Rheinheimer noted that two CEQA lawsuits have been filed on the project challenging the Senate Bill 288 Statutory Exemption and arguing that MST should have prepared a full environmental impact report and evaluated alternatives for the project. Ms. Rheinheimer also reported that MST is continuing to pursue a Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Capital Investment Grant and Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program Grant to support future phases of the project.

**6. SALINAS RAIL KICK START PROOJECT UPDATE**

The Committee received an update on the Salinas Rail Kick Start project.

Laurie Williamson, Senior Engineer, reported that in terms of Package 1 construction, the team continues to work toward project completion. She noted that the State Stormwater permit has been closed, Caltrans is in the process of closing out the permit for work relating to Hwy 183 (Market St), and the City of Salinas should be closing out the permit shortly, now that the sidewalk crack near the Granary has been fixed. Once permits have been closed, remaining work is landscaping maintenance through December 2021. Ms. Williamson noted that staff plans to bring the Notice of Completion to the TAMC Board in December.

Christina Watson, Principal Transportation Planner, noted that staff continues to coordinate with the City of Salinas on the Package 1 land transfer.

Mike Zeller, Principal Transportation Planner, reported that staff and consultants continue to further negotiations on the five parcels for the Salinas layover facility. He noted that staff has put a Request for Proposals on the September Board agenda to assist with negotiations with Union Pacific for four parcels in Gilroy and one in Salinas.

Ms. Watson noted that staff will also bring a contract amendment to the September Board for Package 2 and 3 design elements identified during the California Public Utilities Commission diagnostic site visit in Gilroy in August. Staff is also working on a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between TAMC and Caltrain outlining the process towards an operating agreement and a MOU among TAMC, Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) and the City of Gilroy for improvements near the Gilroy train station. Ms. Watson noted that staff is also working on a Fund Transfer Agreement between TAMC and Caltrans, to transfer \$1,615,000 of Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program funding to help fund the Positive Train Control project between Gilroy and San Luis Obispo.



**7. COMMITTEE MEETINGS OPTIONS**

The Committee received an update on the status of COVID-19 Brown Act exemptions and provided input on preferences for in-person meeting locations.

Christina Watson, Principal Transportation Planner, noted that the Governor's Executive Order extends the pandemic-caused exceptions to the Brown Act that enable virtual meetings until September 30, 2021. She mentioned that after that date, absent an extension of the Executive Order, meetings are expected to return to in-person.

Maria Montiel, Administrative Assistant, noted that we are looking for meeting location that would enable appropriate social distancing and the option for teleconference technology for future Rail Policy Committee meetings.

The Committee had the following input on the preferences for in person meeting locations:

- Consider meeting outdoors
- Consider the Monterey County fairgrounds
- Consider expanding the search to locations that charge a fee
- Consider the Monterey Conference Center
- Consider contacting the County
- Consider meeting at Monterey Peninsula College
- Some committee members can participate from council chamber locations, if they post the agenda in advance and permit public participation at that location

**8. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND/OR COMMENTS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

Christina Watson announced the next Committee meeting is on October 4, 2021, at 3 pm.

**9. ADJOURN**

Chair LeBarre adjourned the meeting at 3:41 p.m.



## **Memorandum**

**To:** Rail Policy Committee  
**From:** Christina Watson, Principal Transportation Planner  
**Meeting Date:** October 4, 2021  
**Subject:** **Coast Corridor Rail Project Update**

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### **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

**RECEIVE** update on the planned increase in passenger rail service along the coast corridor between San Francisco and Los Angeles.

### **SUMMARY:**

Progress since the last update to this Committee in September includes a meeting of the Working Group.

### **FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

The Coast Rail project capital and operation costs are under evaluation.

### **DISCUSSION:**

The Coast Rail Coordinating Council (CRCC) is a multi-agency advisory and planning organization focused on improving the rail corridor between Los Angeles and the San Francisco bay area along the California Central Coast. Members of Council include all regional transportation planning agencies along the Central Coast – all of which have a strong interest in improving rail service and the rail infrastructure along the Central Coast’s portion of the California Coast Passenger Rail Corridor.

The Working Group had a call on September 17 to share project updates. The next Policy Committee meeting is scheduled for October 15. King City held a workshop and tour of their Accelerated Access Platform project on September 30. Any substantive information provided at these meetings will be presented at a future Committee meeting.



## **Memorandum**

**To:** Rail Policy Committee  
**From:** Christina Watson, Principal Transportation Planner  
**Meeting Date:** October 4, 2021  
**Subject:** Caltrans 2022 State Rail Plan

### **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

**RECEIVE** presentation from Caltrans Division of Rail and Mass Transportation staff and **PROVIDE** feedback to guide the development of the 2022 State Rail Plan.

### **SUMMARY:**

The 2022 State Rail Plan will update the near-, mid- and long-term vision for passenger rail service throughout California. The plan will build upon the regional rail network integration studies that are being conducted in Monterey County and throughout the state. Josh Pulverman, Caltrans Division of Rail and Mass Transportation, will present an update on the State Rail Plan.

### **FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

The Rail Plan will outline a vision for rail implementation that may indicate state-level support for increased passenger rail service to Monterey County that will help the Agency secure future grant funds.

### **DISCUSSION:**

Caltrans is initiating the next update to the State Rail Plan, which it will complete by June 2022, to meet requirements for prioritizing state and federal investment in passenger and freight rail. The plan will also focus on integration of the state's regional and intercity passenger rail systems with the high speed rail plans. The updates to the current plan will focus on incorporating outputs of regional network studies based on the previous plan, such as TAMC's network integration study for the Monterey Bay Area, as well as additional state-level service analysis needed to further develop and clarify infrastructure improvements tied to the 10-year interim service goals.

The next Rail Plan will build on the previous plan, which developed an operator-neutral design for a world class state rail network based on pulse-hub scheduling concepts for operating all trains on regular, coordinated, clockface timetables. These service concepts are tailored to the State's understanding of market potential for rail, known constraints, and service-based infrastructure requirements that allow services to be physically connected at "hub" stations and for seamless, timed transfers between services to occur where transfers are necessary or desirable to make connections between regional destinations across California.

The Rail Plan will identify a long-term vision to guide incremental service planning to support development of a statewide network, a 10-year service and capital plan representing phased goals for advancing the network design, and a 5-year capital program supporting near term funding and programming needs. Caltrans staff intends to craft the update to serve as an accessible and effective communication tool, including a streamlined, web-oriented format that

can be updated more frequently than the 4-year requirement.

Integrated scheduling concepts are a component of the network integration initiatives described in the Rail Plan, which include development and implementation of the California Integrated Travel Program (CallTP) for integrated ticketing and modern fare collection mechanism supported by the State, as well as development of a statewide rail and bus equipment procurement program at Caltrans to strategically standardize long term equipment procurement around zero-emission technologies.

Caltrans is also partnering with High Speed Rail to develop a new and robust statewide ridership model for testing the network performance benefits of improvements on individual corridors and segments of the network, which it expects to be available for use in the Rail Plan update.

TAMC will want to assure that the state plan reflects our regional planning goals for increased passenger rail service to Monterey County, as reflected in the final Monterey Bay Area Rail Network Integration Study. Near-term service goals for our region include initiation of commuter-oriented service to Pajaro, Castroville, and Salinas. Mid-term goals include increase in service to Salinas, addition of weekend service, and initiation of coast rail service from San Jose south to Soledad, King City, Paso Robles and San Luis Obispo. Long-term service goals include further increase of the above services, as well as potential regional rail service between Santa Cruz and Monterey along the locally-owned branch lines.

**WEB ATTACHMENTS:**

- [2022 California Rail Plan website](#)



**Memorandum**

**To:** Rail Policy Committee  
**From:** Christina Watson, Principal Transportation Planner  
**Meeting Date:** October 4, 2021  
**Subject:** **Salinas Rail Deployment Playbook**

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

**RECEIVE** update on the Salinas Rail Extension Deployment Playbook.

**SUMMARY:**

In July 2021, Caltrans Division of Rail and Mass Transit kicked off Central Coast near-term service deployment work. This project will get the Salinas Rail Extension project into revenue service in the near-term. Shannon Simonds will present an update on progress since the kick-off.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

The deployment playbook is intended to assist TAMC in its negotiations for operations with Caltrain and Union Pacific, to expedite the implementation of passenger rail service to Salinas.

**DISCUSSION:**

Shannon Simonds of the Caltrans Division of Rail and Mass Transit will present a verbal update on the deployment playbook. The primary objectives of the Central Coast Near-Term Service Deployment Project ('Project') are to:

- Develop a Service Deployment Playbook for new rail service between the San Francisco Bay Area and Monterey County;
- Design an implementation program that solves for operational needs, administrative agreements / support needs, and capital investments required to initiate service, aligned with the State's long-term vision for an integrated statewide network; and
- Analyze and articulate relative utility of proposed service concepts and any identified infrastructure improvements across multiple stakeholders.

The result of this Service Deployment Project will be a tailored, production-level operating plan and Service Implementation Playbook for Central Coast service, to be initiated in the near-term. The Project will be led by Caltrans Division of Rail and Mass Transit in the State's capacity providing statewide strategic planning, network integration implementation, and capital/operations funding.

The Project builds on technical analysis developed for the Monterey County Rail Extension project, the Monterey Bay Area Rail Network Integration Study, the Caltrain Gilroy-Salinas Feasibility Study, and the Caltrain Business Plan. Stakeholder coordination, host railroad negotiations, and resource planning will be funded and led by Caltrans, with technical operations and review led by Caltrain, and strategic policy guidance from TAMC and other stakeholders.



## Memorandum

**To:** Rail Policy Committee  
**From:** Christina Watson, Principal Transportation Planner  
**Meeting Date:** October 4, 2021  
**Subject:** Salinas Rail Kick Start Project Update

### **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

**RECEIVE** update on the Salinas Rail Kick Start project.

### **SUMMARY:**

Activities on the Salinas Rail Kick Start project since the last update in September include work related to closing out permits for the construction of Package 1 (Salinas Station access and circulation improvements) and coordination efforts with key stakeholders on Packages 2 (Salinas layover facility) and 3 (Gilroy track connections).

### **FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

The capital cost of the Monterey County Rail Extension project, Phase 1, Salinas Kick Start project (the Salinas station and improvements in Santa Clara County), is estimated at \$81 million. The Kick Start project is proceeding with secured state funding under the adopted state environmental clearance.

Package 1 is under construction by MPE Engineering for an original contract amount of \$7,487,989 with a contingency fund of \$1,123,200. Approved change orders to date total \$809,641.69, or 72.1% of the contingency fund approved by the Board.

### **DISCUSSION:**

The Monterey County Rail Extension Project will extend passenger rail service from Santa Clara County south to Salinas. TAMC is pursuing a phased implementation of the Project. Phase 1, known as the Kick Start Project, includes Salinas train station circulation improvements, a train layover facility in Salinas, and track improvements at the Gilroy station and between Salinas and Gilroy. The Kick Start Project is wrapping up construction of Package 1, improvements at the Salinas train station. The layover facility (Package 2) and track improvements (Package 3) are now in final design.

### **Construction of Package 1: Salinas Station Improvements**

TAMC hired Monterey Peninsula Engineering (MPE) for construction of Package 1, MNS Engineers as Construction Managers on the project, and HDR Engineering to provide design support during construction. In September 2021, the construction team worked to close out the Caltrans and Salinas permits. Once the permits have been closed, remaining work is landscaping maintenance through December 2021. Staff will bring a project close-out report to the TAMC Board in December.

TAMC staff is coordinating with Caltrans and the City of Salinas on the logistics to transfer ownership of the completed project to the City, pursuant to the adopted Memorandum of Understanding. The land transfer must be approved by the California Transportation Commission (CTC) to empower the City and TAMC to approve transfer agreements. The CTC is requiring the City to commit to replacing any parking spaces used for future development in a location walking distance from the station.

### **Property Acquisition for Package 2: Salinas Layover Facility**

On December 4, 2019, the Transportation Agency Board approved Resolutions of Necessity on portions of four parcels and one full parcel needed for the Salinas layover facility. TAMC staff continues to oversee the right-of-way consulting team of AR/WS and Meyers Nave to further negotiations and finalize the remaining acquisitions.

### **Final Design for Package 2 and Package 3: Gilroy Station & Track Improvements; Operations Scenarios**

The final design team held the following meetings to further the project's design:

- Caltrans and Caltrain - September 15, 17, and 24
- City of Salinas - September 23
- Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) and City of Gilroy - September 13, 14, and 21
- Union Pacific Railroad - September 20

Documents the team is preparing for future Committee/Board approval include the following:

- Land transfer agreement between TAMC and the City of Salinas, per the adopted Memorandum of Understanding.
- Memorandum of Understanding between TAMC and Caltrain outlining the process towards an operating agreement.
- Memorandum of Understanding among TAMC, VTA and Gilroy for improvements near the Gilroy train station to support the extension of passenger rail service south from Gilroy.
- Fund Transfer Agreement between TAMC and Caltrans, to transfer \$1,615,000 of Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program funding to Caltrans to help fund the Positive Train Control project between Gilroy and San Luis Obispo.



## ***Memorandum***

**To:** Rail Policy Committee  
**From:** Christina Watson, Principal Transportation Planner  
**Meeting Date:** October 4, 2021  
**Subject:** **Correspondence**

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### **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

**RECEIVE** correspondence attached online.

### **WEB ATTACHMENTS:**

- [September 17, 2021 email from Barry Scott re: Coast Futura Streetcar Demonstration Press Release Attached; News release: "Rail Demonstration Rolls Out in October with Clean, Quiet, All-Electric Coast Futura Streetcar"](#)
- [September 20, 2021 email from Gary Hascall in support of handcar demonstration project](#)





## ***Memorandum***

**To:** Rail Policy Committee  
**From:** Christina Watson, Principal Transportation Planner  
**Meeting Date:** October 4, 2021  
**Subject:** Reports

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### **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

**RECEIVE** reports attached online.

### **WEB ATTACHMENTS:**

- [Capitol Corridor monthly report for August 2021](#)



## ***Memorandum***

**To:** Rail Policy Committee  
**From:** Christina Watson, Principal Transportation Planner  
**Meeting Date:** October 4, 2021  
**Subject:** **Media Clippings**

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### **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

**RECEIVE** media clippings attached online.

### **WEB ATTACHMENTS:**

- [September 15, 2021, report on NBC Los Angeles, "What's a Handcar? Ross "Drives" a Piece of History"](#)