

Safety Highlights

Caltrain conducted its annual full scale simulation exercise with Altamont Commuter Express (ACE) this year.



San Jose Fire Fighters approach ACE train

This year's emergency preparedness exercise was held in San Jose, California, just north of the Tamien Station. Caltrain Transit Police, San Jose Fire Department (SJFD), and San Jose Emergency Medical Services (SJEMS) responded to a staged derailment representing a collision between two trains. The ACE and Caltrain trains simulated the derailment collision staged over the Willow Street and the Guadalupe River railroad bridges.



SJFD - Caltrain train on Guadalupe River Bridge



SJFD rescue via emergency exit window



San Jose EMS and Transit PD Assist Volunteer

Emergency preparedness at Caltrain is an integral part of Caltrain Safety and Security and passenger service.



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Education

Rail Safety Presentations/Activities	City	Attendees
Project Safety Net	Palo Alto	30
Silicon Valley Community Foundation Safety Presentation	Mountain View	30

Enforcement

Event	NOV 2017	YTD 2017
Felony and Misdemeanor Arrests (all)	12	149
Parking Citations	292	3514
Traffic Citations	20	445
All Other Infraction Citations (including trespassing)	46	786
Ejections/Contacts: Train, Station, Right of Way	31	323
Proof-of-Payment Citations	0	115
Crisis Interventions w/ Emergency Commitments	0	34
Total Calls For Police Service	787	9113

Significant Events

Nov. 1 – Nov. 30: During this period, the Transit Police conducted monthly High-Intensity Strategic Enforcement Program (HISEP) initiatives targeting education and enforcement in locations where persons may engage in unsafe behavior.

- The Transit Police responded to two reports of persons trespassing on the Caltrain right of way. In each instance, the person was cited and released
- The Transit Police cited 44 persons for safety violations as part of the HISEP effort.

Nov. 1 – Nov. 30: The Transit Police conducted routine security checks at various Caltrain stations. As a result, three persons were arrested on outstanding misdemeanor warrants and two persons were arrested on an outstanding felony warrant. In each instance, the person was booked into county jail.



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Nov. 1 – Nov. 30: The Transit Police conducted routine security checks at various Caltrain stations. As a result, three persons were arrested for “public intoxication of alcohol” and were booked into county jail.

Nov. 1 – Nov. 30: Transit Police received -

- one report of vehicle burglary at the Belmont Caltrain Station
- one report of vehicle vandalism at the San Jose Diridon Caltrain Station
- Transit Police recovered two stolen vehicles at the San Jose Diridon Caltrain Station and Tamien Caltrain Station

The Transit Police would like to remind Caltrain patrons to keep your vehicle doors locked and not leave anything of value visible inside the vehicle.

Bike Thefts:

Nov. 1 – Nov. 30: The Transit Police received 7 reports of bicycle thefts from various Caltrain stations.

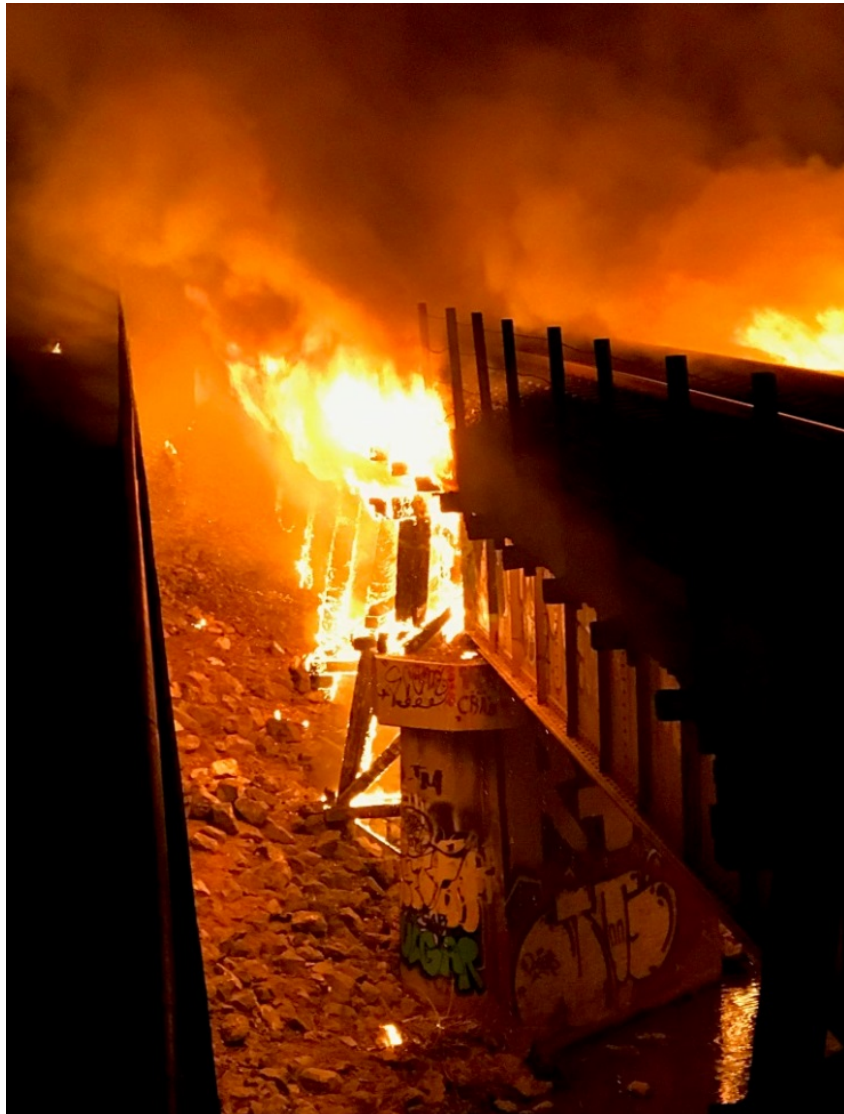
Engineering

Maintenance of Way

- Surfaced 17,795 lineal feet of mainline track
- Surfaced 5 turnouts, performed maintenance grinding and welding on 36 turnouts on the mainline, installed 240 new 9-foot wood ties and 49 switch ties along the main track, and placed 100 tons of ballast
- 5 cars had stopped on tracks and removed without being struck by a train:
 - Mission Bay Drive Crossing – 11/1/17 @ 7:24PM – MT1
 - Charleston Road Crossing – 11/1/17 @ 8:43PM – MT1
 - Broadway Ave Crossing – 11/9/17 @ 6:40PM – MT1
 - 4th Ave Crossing (San Mateo) – 11/14/17 @ 6:52PM – MT1
 - Churchill Ave Crossing – 11/24/17 @ 10:50PM – MT1/MT2
- 1 car had stopped on tracks and was struck by a train:
 - Mission Bay Drive Crossing – 11/10/17 @ 6:43PM – MT1

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- The Guadalupe River main track 1 (MT1) bridge in San Jose caught on fire and was reported at 3:25 a.m. on the morning of November 01, 2017; San Jose Fire Department reported that the likely cause was the result of a homeless encampment fire. MT2 track on a separate and adjacent railroad bridge was inspected and reopened for service at 5:10AM. MT1 track was inspected and reopened for service at 10:31AM. The Guadalupe River bridge replacement project is currently at 30% design and is the next bridge in the bridge program planned for replacement.



Bridge on fire

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Bridge after fire and prior to repairs



Bridge with new hand railing and cable rope installed.

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Bridge with new hand railing and cable rope installed.



Bridge with new cross bracing installed.

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- Vegetation removal and tree trimming adjacent to East and West *Controlled Sidings*(MP 26.7 – 27.0)



Before



After

Multiple fence repairs along right of way due to vehicle strikes and vandalism.



Before



After

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- Los Gatos Creek Bridge track surfacing support for UPRR



During



During

Stations

- Completed 132 work orders in the month of November including bike locker, lighting, wheelchair lift and information board repairs.
- The station/project of the month is graffiti repairs/repainting at all stations. Work orders will be processed for any and all graffiti identified.