

Caltrain Bicycle Advisory Committee Work Plan for 2014

Purpose

The purpose of the Committee is to facilitate dialogue between Caltrain and its current and future customers who use bicycles as their primary mode of access to the Caltrain rail line. This Committee will provide a formal venue for the interests and perspectives of bicyclists to be fully integrated into Caltrain decision-making processes, particularly with respect to:

- New ideas related to the needs of bicyclists on Caltrain
- Proposed investments and pilot programs
- Operating procedures
- Caltrain communications

The Committee shall be advisory in nature, and actions taken shall be brought to the Peninsula Corridor Joint Powers Board by Caltrain staff, when appropriate. Although the Committee was not created by a legislative body, it has been created as a venue that is open to the public and shall follow the Ralph M. Brown Act to ensure transparency and consistency with the Joint Powers Board and other Caltrain committees.

Function

The function of the Committee is to promote and advance overall communication between Caltrain and members of the bicycling community, and to explore the realm of needs bicycle riders have with respect to utilizing current and future Caltrain services, while taking into account the needs of all Caltrain customers.

- Helps to educate the community-at-large, as well as other bicyclists, and serve as a communication conduit to ensure broad feedback on Caltrain initiatives related to bicycles.
- Provides a connection to regional and local bicycle related planning processes between bicycle community stakeholders, the public and public agencies.

List of Tentative Agenda Topics/Presentations for 2014:

Meetings

- Jan. 16 –
 - Bicycle Theft Prevention Update
 - Caltrain Strategic Plan
- March 20 –
 - Bump Report Update
 - Bicycle Access & Parking Plan Presentation: Funding Scenarios
 - Draft Electrification Environmental Impact Report
 - Update on Purchase of New Rail Cars and Added Capacity
- May 15 –
 - Presentation on Annual Passenger Count Data
 - Bicycle Access & Parking Plan: Refined Funding Strategy

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- July 17 –
 - Regional Bike Share Program Update
 - Schedule and process for new timetables
 - Moved from May meeting: Update on Caltrain Strategic Plan
 - Bicycle Access & Parking Plan: Next Steps
 - Bikes to Levi Stadium for 49ers games

- Sept. 18 –
 - Alameda Bikes Update
 - Caltrain Modernization Program Update – Presentation on Electric Multiple Units (EMU)
“new trains” and bike capacity

- Nov. 20 –
 - 2015 Election of Officers
 - 2015 Meeting Calendar

Suggested Agenda Topics from BAC members from 2013:

- CalMod – providing input on Electric Multiple Unit (EMU) “new trains”
- Onboard capacity, station area improvements and last-mile improvements
- Bike parking at stations

BAC member Suggestions for 2014:

Garrett Turner:

- Schedule and process for new timetables
 - How it works – gallery cars vs. Bombardiers for certain trains