Executive Director Report



Electrified Service! (Soft Launch)

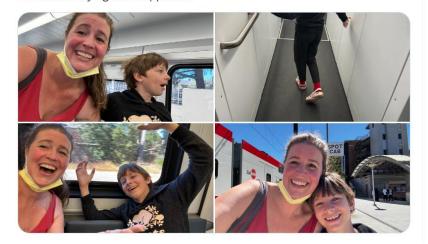






Oh my goodness it happened! We got to ride the new electric @Caltrain

We are still crying with happiness!















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Caltrain debuts electric trains that are faster, more spacious and quieter than past models

By Ricardo Cano, Reporter

Aug 10, 2024

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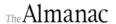
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Caltrain rolls out first electric train for trip from San Francisco to Millbrae

Limited public service for electric trains starts Sunday



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'A new generation,'
passengers ride Caltrain's
electric fleet for first time

The electrified fleet will fully open to the public on Sept. 21





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By Silas Valentino, Travel Editor



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Caltrain welcomes first riders on new electric trains

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Caltrain debuts electric train

Inaugural ride travels from SF to Millbrae and back

By Joe Rosenheim Bay City News
Aug 12, 2024 Updated Aug 19, 2024 • 7





Caltrain debuts electric train, first of its kind in California

The formal inauguration of Caltrain's groundbreaking electric train — the first of its kind in California — took place Saturday morning in San Francisco.



FC Fast Company

California's new electric train makes for a shockingly better trip—we tried it



Caltrain's electric trains started rolling out last week. The advantages go far beyond just cutting CO2 emissions.







September Launch Parties - September 21 & 22

Main Events:

- Palo Alto Station Sept21 2pm 6pm
- Eshoo Train Ride Sept 21
- San Mateo Station Sept 22 2pm - 6pm
- Additional events at <u>every city</u> along the corridor
- Special Gilroy / Morgan Hill Sept 21 Train
- 100% Electric Fleet from San Francisco to San Jose
- Launch New Electric Schedule
- Free Caltrain Rides



www.caltrain.com/launchparty



Electric v Diesel Race



Caltrain YouTube Channel:

https://www.youtube.com/shorts/eSIMn FLvSdY



Caltrain Funding

Challenges:

- Farebox revenue / ridership slow to recover
- Financial Risks/Uncertainties: Energy costs and consumption and rising operating and capital costs (labor)
- FY2026 and beyond significant operating deficits if no major new revenue sources can be identified (regional measure)

Opportunities:

- Momentum for new funding models
- Non-fare revenue strategies to enhance and generate new revenue sources
- Cost reduction and efficiency improvements of internal operations and project/program delivery
- Electrification Service new opportunity to grow ridership/revenue

Note: Nov/Dec Budget/Deficit Update to the Board

