



Regional Transportation Planning Agency - Local Transportation Commission
Monterey County Service Authority for Freeways and Expressways
Monterey County Regional Development Impact Fee Joint Powers Agency
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Rail Policy Committee

Monday, August 4, 2025

****2:00 PM****

MEETING LOCATION

Voting members must attend a physical meeting location to count towards quorum

CA Welcome Center
1 Station Pl, Salinas, CA 93901

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<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84406868796?pwd=5H1jbqyq0SHIKyLgd9Wh93DoHLNxGb.1>

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1. Quorum Check, Call to Order and Introductions

A quorum is 6 of the following members: Askew, Alejo, Carbone, Church, Daniels, Delgado, LeBarre, Oglesby, Sandoval, Smith and Velazquez.

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 COMMENTS

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3. 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 the draft Rail Policy Committee Minutes for June 2, 2025.

- Maria Montiel

The draft minutes of the June 2, 2025, 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.

- Christina Watson

Progress since the last update on the coast rail project to this Committee includes meetings with Caltrans and the Federal Railroad Administration about the Corridor ID program.

4. **RECEIVE** presentation from Craig Kaufman, California Welcome Center, on Rails and Trails/Salinas City Heritage Park programs.

- Christina Watson

The Salinas Valley Tourism & Visitors Bureau Executive Director Craig Kaufman will present on the history of trains in Salinas and Monterey County.

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

- Christina Watson

Activities on the Salinas Rail Kick Start project since the last update include operations scenario discussions, design coordination efforts with key stakeholders on Packages 2 (Salinas layover facility) and 3 (Gilroy track connections).

6. **RECEIVE** update on Pajaro/ Watsonville Multimodal Station Project.

- Alissa Guther

Activities on the Pajaro/ Watsonville Multimodal Station project include meetings on related regional projects, design options with agency partners and meetings to discuss the federal Corridor ID funding program.

7. **RECEIVE** information on the Highway 1 Elkhorn Slough Corridor Climate Resiliency project activities.

- Alissa Guther

This project will evaluate the risk of sea level rise and develop multimodal and nature-based transportation adaptation solutions to address this vulnerability in a key transportation corridor. Recent activities include a kick off meeting, gathering existing conditions, outreach planning, and three Steering Committee meetings.

8. **ANNOUNCEMENTS and/or COMMENTS**

9. ADJOURN

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next Committee meeting
Monday, September 8, 2025, at 2:00 p.m.
Transportation Agency for Monterey County
Conference Room
55-B Plaza Circle, Salinas CA 93901

A quorum of voting members is required to be present to hold this meeting.

There will be a zoom link for hybrid participation.

If you have any items for the next agenda, please submit them to:
Christina Watson, Rail Program Coordinator
Christina@tamcmonterey.org

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