

CALMOD E-NEWSLETTER

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CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS



Installation of gantry for traction power station

Construction to make Caltrain a modern, electric commuter rail system continues! This month, crews installed foundations, poles, and wire from South San Francisco to San Jose. Work was also performed on nine [traction power facilities](#) in San Francisco, South San Francisco, San Mateo, Redwood City, Palo Alto, Sunnyvale, and San Jose. Here are some construction highlights for the month of October:

- Began installation of pole foundations in Brisbane
- Started construction at Paralleling Station 1 in San Francisco
- Installed steel gantries at Paralleling Station 5 in Palo Alto (as shown in above photo).

To sign up for weekly construction updates or for more construction information, visit [CalMod.org/construction](https://www.calmod.org/construction).

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ICYMI: VIRTUAL TOUR EVENT HIGHLIGHTS



In case you missed it, [watch](#) highlights from the electric train Virtual Tour Live Event with special guest Congresswoman Jackie Speier. View the train interiors with Caltrain Chief of Rail Michelle Bouchard, then tour the assembly floor in Utah where the actual trains are being built.

[Watch Highlights](#)

EQUITY FRAMEWORK ADOPTED



In September, Caltrain adopted its [Equity, Connectivity, Recovery & Growth Framework](#)--a significant policy document that outlines Caltrain's approach to recovering from the COVID-19 pandemic and growing the system in an equitable manner consistent with the larger [Business Plan](#) process.

The framework includes specific policies and actions that describe how Caltrain can recover in a way that emphasizes improving equity outcomes on the system and enhancing connectivity to the region's transit network. One of those strategies was to increase off-peak train frequency to better serve riders with nontraditional commute hours and to better synchronize transfers to other transit modes.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

In light of the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak in the Bay Area, Caltrain is monitoring the situation and following local public health agencies and CDC guidance regarding public meetings. To view the upcoming meeting schedule, visit [Caltrain.com/Meetings](https://www.caltrain.com/Meetings).



WHAT IS CALMOD?

The Caltrain Modernization Program (CalMod) includes electrification and other projects that will upgrade the performance, efficiency, capacity, safety and reliability of Caltrain's service. The current electrification project will electrify the corridor from San Francisco to San Jose and replace 75% of Caltrain's diesel service with high-performance electric trains, reducing air pollution and providing better service to more riders.

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