

CALMOD E-NEWSLETTER

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ELECTRIC TRAIN TRAVELS



After a three-year design phase, the first complete electric multiple unit trainset (EMU) has been assembled at the Stadler plant in Salt Lake City, Utah. This trainset is expected to arrive at our railyards in 2021, but before then, it has a lot of testing to complete. Currently, the train will be running in Salt Lake City, on a one kilometer track up to 20 miles per hour to make sure the amenities are working as they should, checking for ride quality, noise and vibration, as well as making sure the air conditioning, lighting and Wi-Fi are up to speed.

From there, the trainset will head to a larger track in Pueblo, Colo., where it will be tested at and above the top speeds allowed on our corridor. These tests will simulate the conditions the trainset will be operating under. Learn what happens next with the electric trains and read the full article

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CONSTRUCTION UPDATE



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 eight traction power facilities in San Francisco, South San Francisco, San Mateo, Redwood City, Palo Alto, Sunnyvale, and San Jose.

To sign up for weekly construction updates or for more construction information, visit CalMod.org/construction.

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FRAMEWORK POLICY

Since the adoption of the [Caltrain Long Range Service Vision](#) in the fall of 2019, the Caltrain Business Plan has been focused on analysis related to the near- and medium-term future of the railroad. With the advent of the COVID-19 Pandemic, the Business Plan is pausing a number of activities and re-orienting our focus for the next several months to recovery planning. One time-sensitive piece of work is an [Equity, Connectivity, Recovery and Growth Policy Framework](#).

We would love your feedback on the five-page Framework by July 28th to allow time for revisions. Email feedback to equity@caltrain.com. To find the policy and additional background information, please visit, www.Caltrain2040.org/Equity

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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.



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 percent of Caltrain's diesel service with high-performance electric trains, reducing air pollution and providing better service to more riders.

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