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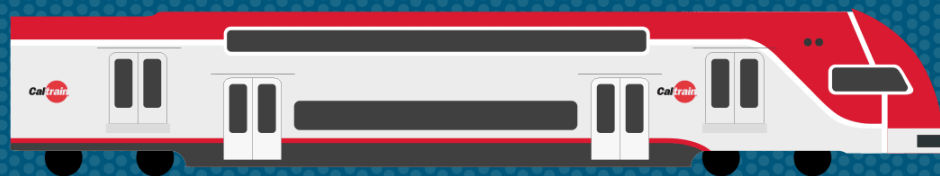
February 2020



TRAIN CARS ASSEMBLE!

*THE NEW ELECTRIC TRAINS
ARE BEING BUILT...*

**WE HAVE RIDERS
TO SERVE!**



For the first (but not the last) time in CalMod history, seven electric train cars were coupled together as a complete train set. The assembly of the first train is a major milestone bringing us one step closer to a new and improved, electric Caltrain. Next, the train will be tested on tracks in Salt Lake City, Utah, and will then travel to Pueblo, Colorado to be tested at full speed. This is the first of 19 trains that will make up Caltrain's new electric fleet.

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INTO THE SWING OF THINGS



Lifting or lowering one end of the car simulates a vertical curve at the opposite track.

Ever wonder how manufacturers ensure trains can safely make turns? They conduct what's called a "Swing Test." This includes adding weight to the vehicle to simulate passengers then lifting, lowering, and swinging the ends of the car to simulate curves. The test verifies proper clearances between car body, trucks, couplers, and associated wiring and air piping during both vertical (hills and valleys) and horizontal (turns) track curves. Check out the photos [here](#) for a behind-the-scenes look into how these tests are being performed on our new trains.

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CONSTRUCTION UPDATE



To accommodate the new electric trains, construction crews are continuing work in the four San Francisco tunnels. As of February 22, crews have started installation of the overhead contact system (conductor rail and wires) inside the tunnels.

In order to facilitate work in the tunnels, trains will not operate on weekends between San Francisco and Bayshore stations from February 22 to March 29. Caltrain service will stop at Bayshore Station and a free bus bridge will transport passengers to the 22nd and 4th and King Stations. Weekday service will not be impacted. Details regarding station impacts, ticketing and transit alternatives are available at: [caltrain.com/SFWeekendClosure](https://www.caltrain.com/SFWeekendClosure).

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UPCOMING EVENTS



Local Policy Makers Group

February 27, 2020
5:30pm

SamTrans Administrative Offices
Edward J. Bacciocco Auditorium
1250 San Carlos Ave,
San Carlos, CA 94070



Caltrain Board Meeting

March 05, 2020
9am - 11am

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March 26, 2020
5:30pm

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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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