

**CAPITOL CORRIDOR JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

WEDNESDAY, November 18, 2015

10:00 AM

Suisun City Hall

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- Board Chair Gail Murray opened the meeting by highlighting the completion of a new operating agreement with Amtrak for FY 2016, the 3-year extension to the Federal requirement involving the installation of positive train control (PTC), and the continued work in Congress on the reauthorization of the Surface Transportation Act.
- The Managing Director presented, and the Board approved, the Annual Performance Report. He indicated that the past year had been the best ever with respect to on time performance stating that the Capitol Corridor is #1 in on time performance within the Amtrak system. He also indicated that the investments made in fuel efficiency were beginning to pay off with a 2% decrease in fuel used. This was achieved by both the fuel efficiency modifications that were made to the fleet of locomotives as well as the installation of generator sets at the San Jose terminus to power trains overnight.
- The Managing Director presented, and the CCJPA Board approved, an action item adopting the Environmental Impact Report for the Sacramento-Roseville 3rd track project. This action environmentally clears a project that would construct a third track on the east side of the existing Union Pacific right of way between Sacramento and Roseville. The addition of the third track would allow an increase in the number of Capitol Corridor trains between Sacramento and Roseville from the current 2 trains per day to 10 trains per day. The project includes a new rail bridge over the American River, and an expanded train station in Roseville which would include facilities for trains to layover overnight.
- The Managing Director presented current legislative issues. With respect to State legislative issues, the Managing Director provided an update on the Transportation Conference Committees Informational Hearings indicating that the Capitol Corridor, as well as a number of other transit systems, provided comment. He also noted that it is anticipated that the Governor's FY 16-17 State budget will include \$126 million to support the operation of the three California Intercity Passenger Rail services which includes the Capitol Corridor. With respect to Federal Legislation, the Managing Director provided an update on the Congressional efforts for surface transportation and rail safety reauthorizations. He also mentioned that Congress passed a three year extension for railroads to install positive train control.
- The Managing Director presented the results of the May 2015, Capitol Corridor on-board survey. He indicated that overall passenger satisfaction was 86%

positive and that business travel remains the dominant trip purpose at 65%. He also noted that bicycle usage remains high to the point of considering a third bicycle car. The Managing Director pointed out that a high percentage of the ridership were new riders with 42% indicating that they had been using the service for less than one year. With respect to comments, there were requests that the Capitol Corridor accepts Clipper cards for the payment of fare and there were concerns expressed over the quality of communication with passengers over service delays.

- The Managing Director presented the Managing Director's Report. He indicated that ridership continued to grow with a 3.93% increase over the previous 12 months. He further stated that the Capitol Corridor conductors and the food service ranked first within the Amtrak system. With respect to service delays, he indicated that delays caused by the host railroad had decreased, but that Amtrak and third party delays had increased. He noted that the number of fatal accidents had increased, but the delays caused by those accidents had decreased.
- The next CCJPA Board Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 17, 2016, at 10:00 AM at the City Council Chambers in Suisun City Hall.