

ABOUT THE LOSSAN RAIL CORRIDOR AGENCY

The Los Angeles – San Diego – San Luis Obispo (LOSSAN) Rail Corridor Agency is a joint powers authority composed of rail owners, operators and planning agencies along the LOSSAN rail corridor. In addition to working to improve passenger rail ridership, revenue, on-time performance, operational flexibility, and safety, the LOSSAN Agency assumed management responsibility for the Pacific Surfliner service in July 2015, following the execution of an interagency transfer agreement with the state of California.

Last year, more than 8.33 million trips were taken on the LOSSAN rail corridor, including 5.38 million on Metrolink and COASTER commuter trains, and 2.95 million on the Amtrak® Pacific Surfliner® service, making the Pacific Surfliner it the busiest state supported intercity passenger rail route in the nation. The LOSSAN rail corridor also hosts BNSF Railway and Union Pacific Railroad freight trains, and parallels congested stretches of Interstate 5 and Highway 101, making it a critical component of the region's transportation system.



LOSSAN AGENCY STAFF OVERVIEW

The LOSSAN Agency is supported by 14 full-time staff members, and also utilizes shared staff at the Orange County Transportation Authority for functions including contracts, risk management, government relations and accounts payable/receivable.

BY THE NUMBERS

PACIFIC SURFLINER TRAINS/DAY

26 (Los Angeles – San Diego)

COMMUTER TRAINS/WEEKDAY

137

FREIGHT TRAINS/DAY

70+

MILES OF LOSSAN CORRIDOR

351

TOTAL NUMBER OF STATIONS

41

ANNUAL TOTAL PASSENGERS

8.33 Million Pacific Surfliner 2.95M Metrolink/COASTER 5.38M

COST OF NEEDED CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

\$4.9 Billion+

PACIFIC SURFLINER ANNUAL OPERATING SUBSIDY

\$35.9 Million

PACIFIC SURFLINER FAREBOX RECOVERY

76.5%

Fact sheet as of 11/15/19

FUNDING PRIORITIES

The LOSSAN Agency and its nine member agencies have a history of success securing funding for rail improvements, including state and federal grant funds, and more than \$271 million in Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program funds. However, an extensive capital improvement program totaling nearly \$4.9 billion in additional track capacity, station improvements, signal and communications upgrades, safety enhancements, and other projects still remains largely unfunded. Operating costs for the Pacific Surfliner service are currently funded through the state's Public Transportation Account, but a stable, long-term source of operating funds still must be secured.

LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

The LOSSAN Agency supports local, state and federal legislative efforts to advance passenger rail services in the LOSSAN rail corridor. The LOSSAN Agency also works closely with the California Intercity Passenger Rail (CIPR) Leadership Coalition, consisting of the state's other two intercity rail corridors and emerging corridors, to jointly advocate for common policy positions. For 2020, the LOSSAN Agency's major legislative priorities are:

- Secure sustainable funding
- Connectivity and integration
- Infrastructure, service and safety improvements

LOCAL OVERSIGHT OF PACIFIC SURFLINER SERVICE

In 2012, Senate Bill 1225 was signed into law, enabling regional governance of the state-funded Pacific Surfliner service by the LOSSAN Agency, with the goal of transforming the Pacific Surfliner into a service under local control that is more responsive to local needs, issues, and consumer desires. The LOSSAN Agency executed an interagency transfer agreement with the state of California effective July 2015 for an initial three-year term, which was subsequently extended for an additional three years, through June 30, 2021. This agreement allows the LOSSAN Agency to assume administrative and oversight responsibility for Pacific Surfliner service, including identification of more cost-effective strategies for the administration and operation of the service.

The LOSSAN Agency is governed by a Board of Directors composed of 11 voting members representing rail owners, operators, and planning agencies along the entire rail corridor. The Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) was named the Managing Agency of the LOSSAN Agency in November 2013, and provides all necessary administrative support for the LOSSAN Agency and its Board.

TOP 10 PACIFIC SURFLINER STATIONS

Station	Annual Ridership
Los Angeles, CA	
San Diego, CA	
Solana Beach, CA	
Irvine, CA	
San Diego (Old Town), (CA349,389
Santa Barbara, CA	
Oceanside, CA	
Fullerton, CA	
Anaheim, CA	
San Juan Capistrano, C	A 213,011
Source: Amtrak, FEY 2018-19 actuals	

VOTING MEMBERS

- Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority
- North County Transit District
- Orange County Transportation Authority
- Riverside County Transportation Commission
- San Diego Association of Governments
- San Diego Metropolitan Transit System
- San Luis Obispo Council of Governments
- Santa Barbara County Association of Governments
- Ventura County Transportation Commission

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS

- Amtrak
- California Department of Transportation
- California High-Speed Rail Authority
- Southern California Association of Governments

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