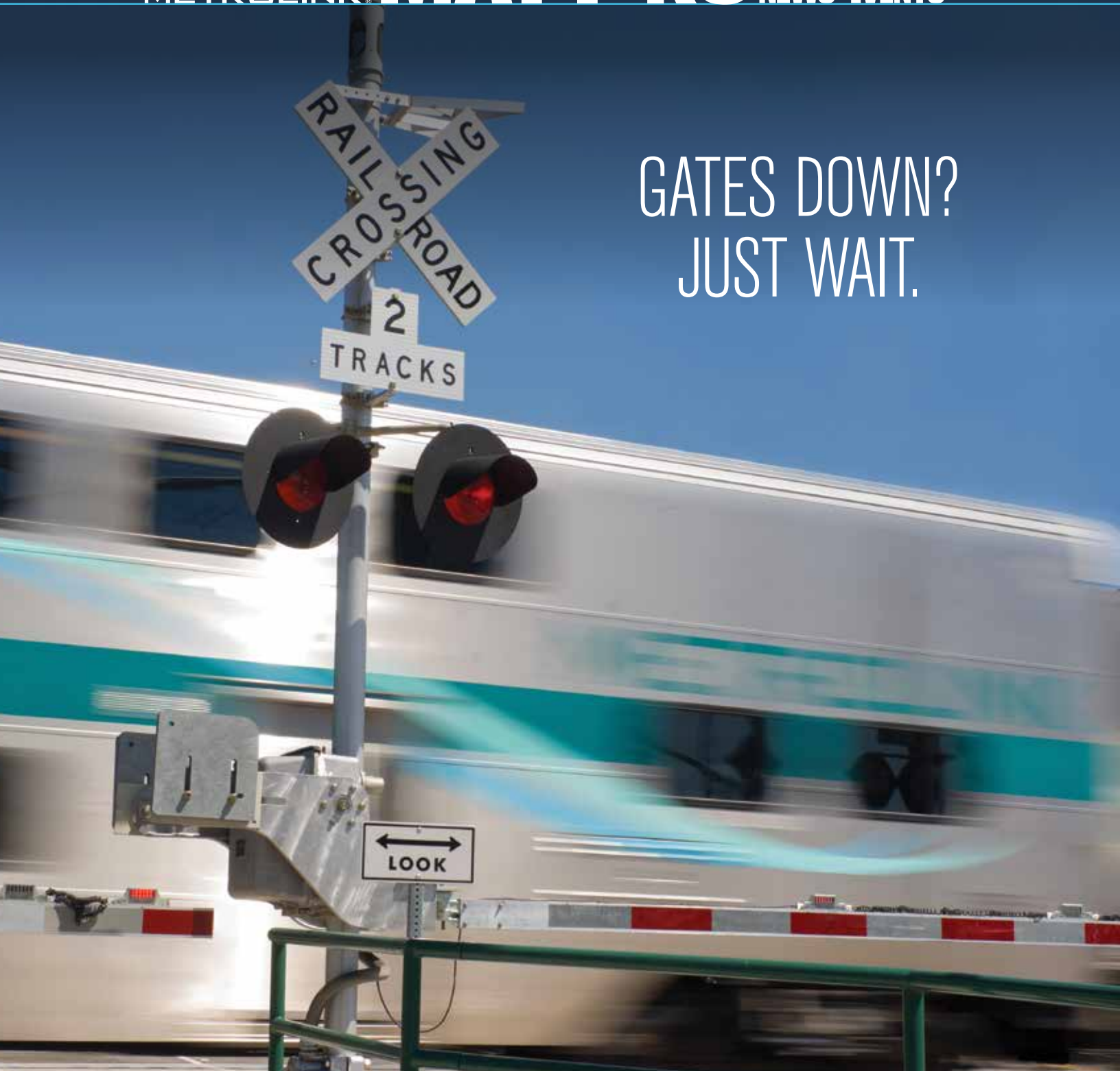


# METROLINK **MATTERS** NEWS & EVENTS

GATES DOWN?  
JUST WAIT.



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## WORD FROM THE CEO



**A**s part of Metrolink's commitment to safety and reliability, we will be leasing locomotives from BNSF Railway to add a second locomotive to all our train sets for the next year. You will start to see them across our system in the coming weeks.

These locomotives are newer, more powerful and cleaner than the majority of Metrolink's current locomotives, which will result in fewer service delays and less system-wide emissions. In line with Metrolink's commitment to safety, the BNSF locomotives will be outfitted with life-saving Positive Train Control (PTC) technology. They will also allow us to maintain the service you all depend on, while the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) continues its investigation into February's tragic train derailment in Oxnard caused by a truck parked on the tracks.

When we receive our new state-of-the-art Tier 4 locomotives in 2016, these BNSF locomotives will likely be retired from our system as operations allow. The Tier 4 F-125 locomotive Spirit engines offer up to 1,700 higher horsepower, while using less fuel and reducing emissions by up to 85 percent over many of the locomotives in our current fleet, some of which have logged more than a million miles of passenger service. I am proud to know that Metrolink will be the first passenger rail provider in the nation to deploy these clean locomotives across our system.

Until our new locomotives arrive, we look forward to offering you the safest, most reliable service possible. We appreciate your patience in this interim period.

*Arthur T. Leahy*

ARTHUR T. LEAHY | CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER | METROLINK

## NEW SAN BERNARDINO TRANSIT CENTER COMPLETED



Southern California officials came together in August to celebrate the completion of the new San Bernardino Transit Center, located one mile east of the historic Santa Fe Depot/Metrolink station in San Bernardino. The center boasts an exceptional transit experience as comfort blends with design in this beautiful state-of-the-art facility, which was built to meet LEED Gold Standards for conserving resources and promoting clean, renewable energy.

Following completion of a one-mile rail extension from the Santa Fe Depot in early 2017, Metrolink will begin service to this new transit center, which will then serve as the terminus of the San Bernardino Line. This will give travelers from the eastern regions of Southern California enhanced connectivity to and from Metrolink with Omnitrans, sbX Bus Rapid Transit, Mountain Transit, Victor Valley Transit Authority, and the future Redlands Passenger Rail Project, which will extend rail service nine miles east to Redlands. For more information, please visit [www.omnitrans.org](http://www.omnitrans.org).



## YOUTH & STUDENT DISCOUNT

Students of all ages and/or riders 18 and younger can receive a 25 percent discount on a Monthly Pass, 7-Day Pass, One-Way Ticket or Round-Trip Ticket. Please present valid Student I.D. to the fare inspector upon request.

## ON THE COVER

## RAIL SAFETY MONTH REMINDS US TO JUST WAIT FOR TRAINS TO CROSS



*Metrolink Board Member and Moorpark Mayor Pro Tem Keith Millhouse addresses the media at the September 14 rail safety event.*

Each September, Metrolink observes Rail Safety Month with a series of events and campaigns reminding us all to be safe around trains and railroad tracks. This year, the main focus is on grade crossing safety. A grade crossing is wherever a roadway meets with railroad tracks.

Activities for the month included placing safety posters at all stations, providing safety textbook covers to students at schools located near railroad tracks, partnering with California Operation Lifesaver to place safety billboards in designated areas, sponsoring social media ads, and giving safety presentations to both professional and student drivers.

In addition, members of the Southern California Rail Safety Team, which is comprised of Metrolink, Amtrak, BNSF Railway, Union Pacific, the Federal Railroad Administration, the California Public Utilities Commission, Operation Lifesaver and local law enforcement agencies, conducted grade crossing enforcements throughout the region.

And on September 14, Metrolink, in partnership with the Ventura County Transportation Commission, the state of California, the cities of Moorpark and Simi Valley, along with California Operation Lifesaver, held a press event to highlight new safety enhancement projects at rail crossings in the two cities. These enhancements will help prevent pedestrians and vehicles from entering rail crossings as trains approach, potentially saving countless lives. Union Pacific Railroad, Amtrak and Metrolink all operate along this rail corridor.

The crossing upgrades include roadway widening, new automatic vehicle exit gates, sidewalks, handrails and automatic pedestrian gates. Metrolink has worked with legislators and regulators to provide safety improvements

throughout the Metrolink system, which will reduce the possibility of accidents, collisions and other incidents.

These improvements are all part of the Ventura County Sealed Corridor Project, which consists of enhancements to four crossings and will cost approximately \$12 million, primarily through funding from the Proposition 1B Highway-Railroad Crossing Safety Account (HRCSA) and the Interregional Transportation Improvement Program.

California had the highest number of trespass fatalities and casualties in 2014 in the country.

A sealed corridor is an engineering design strategy intended to enhance the safe operations of trains by separating them from vehicles, motorists, pedestrians and other neighboring land uses along railroad rights-of-way. This is one of the ways Metrolink addresses the three “Es” of rail safety: Engineering, Education and Enforcement. Utilizing appropriate safety measures to systematically reduce the opportunity for collisions at grade crossings or elsewhere along the railroad is a top priority of Metrolink and the entire Southern California Rail Safety Team.

Tragically, California had the highest number of trespass fatalities and casualties in 2014 in the country, while ranking third in the nation in crossing incidents. According to Operation Lifesaver, a person or vehicle is struck by a train in the United States about every three hours. Remember: never try to cross tracks if the gates are down. Just wait.





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## BE SAFE THIS SEASON

It's that time of year again. Days are getting shorter, nights longer, the weather colder, and soon Southern Californians will officially "fall back" on November 1 as daylight saving time ends.

Safety is always a priority for Metrolink. As it gets darker earlier, it's important to exercise a little extra caution when commuting. Please keep the following rules and safety tips in mind when traveling by Metrolink:



**Arrive early.** You don't want to run to catch your train, so give yourself an extra few minutes before your scheduled departure time.



**Use technology to track train updates.** Metrolink uses Twitter and Facebook to provide real-time information about service delays and status updates, thus taking the guesswork out of commuting.



**Be cautious on the platform.** Rain, and sometimes even ice and snow, can make platforms slippery. Avoid running and always look where you're going to avoid any hazardous situations.



**Pay attention to onboard announcements.** Listen for alerts to upcoming station stops and any changes in service. Make sure you listen for any important information.



**Hold the handrails.** All passengers should hold the handrails to climb or descend the stairs in order to prevent falls, collisions or mishaps with other passengers.



**Look both ways.** Use caution when walking through parking lots. Use the marked crosswalk where provided. Park in well-lit areas.

### HOLIDAY SERVICE ALERT

**THANKSGIVING DAY  
THURSDAY,  
NOVEMBER 26**



In observance of Thanksgiving, Metrolink will operate a modified schedule. On Thursday, November 26, a Sunday schedule will be run on the San Bernardino and Antelope Valley lines only, at regular weekday prices. No service will be offered on the Ventura County, Riverside, 91, Orange County or IEOC lines on Thanksgiving. Regular service will resume Friday, November 27. Visit [metrolinktrains.com/Thanksgiving](http://metrolinktrains.com/Thanksgiving) for details.

### RAIL 2 RAIL®

The Rail 2 Rail® program will be suspended during select dates over the Thanksgiving holiday weekend. Check [metrolinktrains.com/rail2rail](http://metrolinktrains.com/rail2rail) for details.

### NO OCEANSIDE SERVICE OCT. 17-18



Due to scheduled track work on October 17 and 18, Metrolink's Orange County and Inland Empire-Orange County lines will not operate south of San Juan Capistrano. There will be no bus service or alternate transportation provided.

During this service disruption, the San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG) will perform work on the Los Peñasquitos Lagoon Bridges, the Bridge 243 Scour Repair project and the Elvira to Morena Double Track project.



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# RIDE & JOY

**METROLINK RIDERS SAVE AT THESE AND MANY MORE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA EVENTS AND DESTINATIONS.**

## SEE THE NEWEST CARS AT THE OC INTERNATIONAL AUTO SHOW

**ORANGE COUNTY  
AUTO SHOW**

Check out more than 500 new cars and futuristic vehicles at the OC International Auto Show being held at the Anaheim Convention Center from October 15 to 18. This family-friendly event is easy to reach by Metrolink and OCTA bus. On Thursday, October 15, you can get in free (\$12 value) by showing your Metrolink ticket, OCTA bus pass, or 91 Express Lanes transponder; or save \$3 off the admission price all the other days of the show. Take the train to the Anaheim Metrolink station and board the Anaheim Resort Transportation (ART) bus to the Anaheim Convention Center. Your bus ride is free with your Metrolink ticket. For more information, visit [metrolinktrains.com/OCAutoShow](http://metrolinktrains.com/OCAutoShow).



## GO GREEN TO THE SOLAR DECATHLON



Is a sun-powered home in your future? Get inspired and imagine living in a cost-effective, energy-efficient house at the U.S. Department of Energy's Solar Decathlon from October 8 through 18 at the Orange County Great Park in Irvine. Show your commitment to the environment by taking Metrolink to the Irvine station. From there, your shuttle ride to the event is free when you show your Metrolink ticket. Join OCTA for a kickoff event on Saturday, October 10 at 10:30 a.m. at the Orange Station where the first 50 people will receive a free Metrolink roundtrip ticket. For more information, visit [metrolinktrains.com/solardecathlon](http://metrolinktrains.com/solardecathlon).



## CELEBRATE THE SEA AT SEAFEST



Hoist a mug of clam chowder and enjoy the wonders of the sea at Seafest in San Clemente on Sunday, October 4. Seafest celebrates its 28th year with a surfing contest, arts and crafts exhibits, a chowder cook-off and a search and rescue demonstration by the U.S. Coast Guard. The free event will be held at the San Clemente pier, steps away from the Metrolink station. Get there with a \$10 Metrolink Weekend Day Pass, or use your monthly pass at no extra charge. Visit [metrolinktrains.com/seafest](http://metrolinktrains.com/seafest) for details.