



Orange County Transportation Authority

Legislative and Communications Committee Agenda

Thursday, June 19, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.

Board Room, 550 South Main Street, Orange, California

Committee Members

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Katrina Foley, Vice Chair
Fred Jung
Janet Nguyen
Kathy Tavoularis
Mark Tettemer

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Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Director Tettemer

Closed Session

There are no Closed Session items scheduled.

Special Calendar

1. Conference Call with State Legislative Advocate Moira Topp

Moira Topp/Kristin Jacinto

Overview

An update of legislative items in Sacramento will be provided.

Consent Calendar (Items 2 through 4)

All items on the Consent Calendar are to be approved in one motion unless a Committee Member or a member of the public requests separate action or discussion on a specific item.

2. Approval of Minutes

Clerk of the Board

Recommendation(s)

Approve the minutes of the May 15, 2025 Legislative and Communications Committee meeting.

Attachments:

[Minutes](#)

3. Accessible Transit Advisory Committee Annual Update and Member Appointments

Marissa Espino/Maggie McJilton

Overview

The Accessible Transit Advisory Committee was formed to advise the Orange County Transportation Authority on the transportation needs of seniors and persons with disabilities. The member appointment status and a summary of the committee's activities during the past year are provided with this report.

Recommendation(s)

Receive and file the Accessible Transit Advisory Committee status report.

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Attachments:

[Transmittal](#)

[Staff Report](#)

[Attachment A](#)

4. Citizens Advisory Committee Annual Update and Member Appointments

Marissa Espino/Maggie McJilton

Overview

The Orange County Transportation Authority's Citizens Advisory Committee was established to provide feedback on significant transportation studies and projects, help identify opportunities for community input, and serve as a public liaison for the Orange County Transportation Authority. A summary of the committee's activities during the past year and the new member appointment status is provided with this report.

Recommendation(s)

Receive and file the Citizens Advisory Committee status report.

Attachments:

[Transmittal](#)

[Staff Report](#)

[Attachment A](#)

Regular Calendar

5. State Legislative Status Report

Clara Brotcke/Kristin Jacinto

Overview

The Orange County Transportation Authority provides regular updates to the Legislative and Communications Committee on policy issues directly impacting its overall programs, projects, and operations. This report includes a state budget update focused on budget change proposals and trailer bills related to the 2028 Olympics and the cap-and-trade program. A summary of a hearing focused on the Los Angeles - San Diego - San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor is also included. A verbal update on the adopted fiscal year 2025-26 state budget will be provided when this report is presented.

Recommendation(s)

Receive and file as an information item.

Attachments:

[Transmittal](#)

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[Attachment B](#)

[Attachment C](#)

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6. Federal Legislative Status Report

Alexis Carter/Kristin Jacinto

Overview

The Orange County Transportation Authority regularly updates the Legislative and Communications Committee on policy and regulatory issues directly impacting the agency's programs, projects, and operations. This update provides a summary of President Trump's Fiscal Year 2026 Budget Request and its implications for transportation funding and policy as well as an overview of congressional efforts to revoke California's Clean Air Act waivers under the Congressional Review Act. It also includes an update on federal Fiscal Year 2026 Community Project Funding and Congressionally Directed Spending requests submitted by Orange County's congressional delegation as well as a summary of a letter of support urging expedited federal review for emergency rail stabilization funding in the City of San Clemente. Finally, a review of recent congressional hearings related to the efficiency of federal rail programs and an overview of recent nomination hearings for federal transportation agency leadership are provided.

Recommendation(s)

Receive and file as an information item.

Attachments:

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[Staff Report](#)

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[Attachment B](#)

Discussion Items

7. Marketing and Communications Update

Ryan Armstrong/Maggie McJilton

Overview

Staff will present an update on marketing programs for Orange County Transportation Authority's multimodal transportation services and programs.

Attachments:

[Presentation](#)

8. Public Comments

9. Chief Executive Officer's Report

10. Committee Members' Reports

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11. **Adjournment**

The next regularly scheduled meeting of this Committee will be held:

9:00 a.m. on Thursday, July 17, 2025

OCTA Headquarters

Board Room

550 South Main Street

Orange, California