

# **CMF UPDATE**

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## **CMF AT A GLANCE**

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# Taylor Yard Bikeway/Pedestrian Bridge Project

On June 10, 2019, 51st District Assemblywoman Wendy Carrillo, Metrolink Board Director and LA County Supervisor Hilda Solis, LA Mayor Eric Garcetti, LA City Councilmember Mitch O'Farrell, LA City Engineer Gary Lee Moore and Metrolink's Interim Chief of Program Delivery Justin Fornelli were among those who participated in the groundbreaking of the new Taylor Yard Bicycle and Pedestrian Bridge near the Central Maintenance Facility (CMF). The bridge will connect the residents of Elysian Valley to the planned Taylor Yard G2 River Park on the east side of the LA River in Cypress Park.

The City of Los Angeles' Bureau of Engineering is leading the design and construction of the L.A. River pedestrian, bike, and

equestrian bridges. According to SPF Architects, the Taylor Yard bridge will feature a bright orange color with a structure intended to evoke classic railway bridges.

"The L.A. River is an iconic destination for people across Los Angeles — and this groundbreaking is an important milestone in our work to build a more sustainable and connected city," said Mayor Eric Garcetti. "This bridge will give Angelenos another way to enjoy our historic waterway by providing better access to green spaces, as well as new places to walk and bike."

More information about the Taylor Yard G2 River Park can be found at: <u>http://www.tayloryardg2.com/</u>

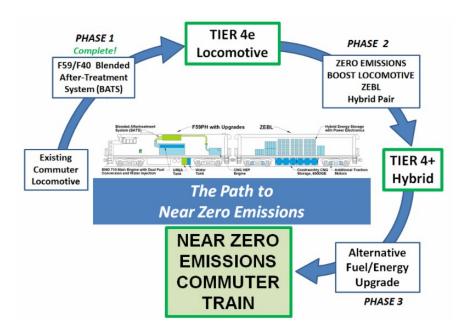


#### Exploring Alternative Energy Solutions for a Zero-Emissions Future

Last Tuesday, members of the executive leadership team traveled to a rail yard in Anaheim to meet with Rail Propulsion Systems, a vendor who is working to advance a research and development project that would upgrade any locomotive to a zero-emission, battery-operated hybrid locomotive.

The vendor is currently working on a project with North Carolina Department of Transportation to simultaneously upgrade a Tier 2 locomotive to Tier 3+ and convert a second locomotive to battery powered and when operated in combination with the Tier 3+ locomotive that would provide in effect a low emission "hybrid" power sources for trains. If this project were successful, it would reduce emissions, noise and mechanical delays.

The team has approached Metrolink to work with them to advocate for this type of program to agencies that fund projects of this nature. While there are other companies exploring this new technology including Wabtec/GE/MPI working with BNSF, staff believes advocating and partnering with this type of initiatives is an important first-step to a zeroemissions future for our agency. Staff will continue to pursue initiatives that enable the agency to best serve the Southern California region.



This chart shows how Rail Propulsion Systems' research and development project will upgrade any locomotive to a zero-emission, batteryoperated hybrid locomotive. Image from <u>www.railpropulsion.com/path</u>

#### More information can be found

at:<u>https://www.ge.com/reports/leading-charge-battery-</u> electric-locomotives-pushing-us-freight-trains/

# **CMF Action Plan-June Update**

In just a little more than a month we have made progress on a plan to optimize the ground power stations in the yard. We are also starting to gather information to complete the internal audit and are installing noise monitors in the yard for accountability. We will continue to make progress and provide updates monthly. As a reminder we are looking to have our next meeting in September.

To view the entire June update of the CMF Action Plan, go <u>HERE</u>: <u>https://metrolinktrains.com/cmf/</u>

### Fun Factoid

A **Mainline Track** is the primary railroad track on which trains travel from station to station.

## Reminder

Homelessness is an issue throughout the greater Los Angeles area. Camping, walking, driving or playing near any active train line or along the Metrolink right-of-way (ROW) is dangerous. If you see an encampment along the Metrolink ROW please contact us at (866) 640-5190.

Questions and concerns can be directed to Metrolink's Community Relations emergency hotline at (213)452-0400 or to <u>communityrelations@scrra.net</u>.

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