

Cal Rail 2020 in Ventura



Nov. 6, 7 & 8

Please join TRAC and the California Rail Foundation for our annual California Rail 2020 conference Nov. 6th to 8th, 2009, at the Crowne Plaza, Ventura's most elegant beachfront hotel, 2 blocks east of the Amtrak station at 450 E. Harbor Blvd. This year's agenda will include:

FRIDAY, November 6: 6:30 PM-onward: No-host Happy Hour. Meet and Greet at the Crowne Plaza Bar. Come and get to know your fellow TRAC members.

SATURDAY, November 7: 9:00 AM (registration), Meeting 10:00 AM to 5:30 PM with the following sessions:

High-Speed Becomes Relevant - Two new Southern California members of the High Speed Rail Authority, an energized DesertXpress proposal, and prospects of SoCal federal projects change the landscape.

SoCal Rail Reinvention - How to finally break down barriers between Metrolink, Amtrak, Coaster, and bus operators to improve regional mobility by transit.

Tight Transit Budgets and What We Can Do - Our panel will focus on operating budget problems faced by commuter and intercity rail, and possible efficiency improvements and opportunities for legislative action to address the shortfalls.

Looking Forward on the Coast - Possible early action to boost North/South California service.

Luncheon will be provided onsite at the Crowne Plaza. Vegetarian options available (indicate on form if you have special needs).

Saturday Conference Rates (includes continental breakfast and luncheon): Day-of-event rates for members will be \$100, but you can save significantly by being an early bird! Mail us your check before October 25 the rate will be \$89. (Non-members pay a \$25 surcharge and

get TRAC membership at a promotional rate). Make your checks out to **Train Riders Association of California.**

Saturday 7 PM No-host dinner at the Sportsman, one of Ventura's oldest and finest chop houses, 53 S. California St. A tradition for over 56 years in downtown Ventura, the Sportsman is known for excellent service and the best steaks and seafood specialties in town. Talk to conference staff on Saturday to sign up.

SUNDAY, November 8: 9:00 AM-4:00 PM We are planning an excursion on the Fillmore and Western, using the rare-mileage Santa Paula Branch. Bus shuttle and buffet luncheon onboard the F&W are included. **Register early:** \$99 including bus access, make check payable to TRAC.

Lodging: We have worked out a special \$99 room rate at the Crowne Plaza. This rate is good for Friday or Saturday night. To reserve, call (877) 227-6963 and mention the TRAC conference rate. Note direct link at trainriders.org

Transportation to the Conference: On Friday, Train 775 arrives Ventura at 4:49 PM, in time for the Crowne Plaza's happy hour at 5 PM. It leaves San Diego at noon, L.A. at 2:55 PM. On Saturday, Train 799 gets to Ventura at 9:35 AM. From S.F. Ferry Bldg, Surfliner buses leave 8:20 AM, 10:05 AM and 10:45 PM, with trains arriving Ventura 5:08 PM, 7:37 PM and 7:23 AM.



Sunday excursion is planned on the Fillmore and Western

SIGN UP TODAY Checks to: **TRAC**, 1025 Ninth St. #223, Sacramento, CA 95814-3516

CONFERENCE RATES	Before Oct. 25	Late Price
CAL RAIL 2020	\$89*	\$100*

REJOIN TRAC TODAY!
* PLUS \$25 NON-MEMBER SURCHARGE

NOTE: For TRAC membership, please use separate check and separate page 2 form!

SIGN ME UP NOW!

Rate x Number of Persons = Total Enclosed

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