



SamTrans Board of Directors
Meeting January 7, 2026

Correspondence as of December 26, 2025

Subject

1. Letter from Emil Lawrence re: Route ECR, Time: 8:25 PM: Britain and El Camino Real: Gravel only bus-stop. Heading North to San Carlos. Date: 12/06/2025 (unknown driver and bus number)
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5. Letter from Emil Lawrence re: Bus Driver: 12/11/25: Bus 443: Driver ID: unknown: Ethnicity: African male, Time: Late. The Bus Driver wants to force me to get off at Britain and El Camino Real.
6. RE: Safety concern for all road users – *Staff response*

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December 11, 2025

Complaint Division
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Re: Route ECR, Time: 8:25 PM: Britain and El Camino Real: Gravel only bus-stop. Heading North to San Carlos. Date: 12/06/2025 (unknown driver and bus number)

Agents for ST bus service.

It was freezing in the wind and cold. However, I am standing so that the ECR bus driver won't just fly by like he did one night last week. I am seventy nine years old and was sitting with my eyes closed for a minute or two. Even, in the cold, waiting can put one asleep while these new cars and buses ultra-bright LEDs bounce off your face. And, and many with their silent lithinin3 batteries create this new bus silence, unless one is a passenger or driver. The high volume squawk boxes-in English and Spanish-can make one deaf.

However, I am standing in a bus-stop from the stone age. It is all rocks, bench and a dirty garbage can. It is not really a San Mateo ST stop, but is a gravel dumb. Or, its ST's new age walk-about. My cart won't roll. The ECR pulls up, my grocery cart stutters over the rocks. The ST driver drops off a passenger, closes the door and exits like a banshee, I am standing a foot away from where he should have rolled down his ramp.

Although, I waited a half hour, he is soon gone, And, I have been to this movie before.

Thank you for your Service

Emil Lawrence

CC:

From: AC Transit eNews <actransit@service.govdelivery.com>
Sent: Thursday, December 18, 2025 3:17 PM
To: Board (@samtrans.com)
Subject: Sunday Schedules for Christmas & New Year's day!

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AC Transit wishes you a happy holiday season.



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Horarios de domingo para día de Navidad y Año Nuevo.

El jueves, 25 de diciembre de 2025 y el jueves, 1 de enero de 2026, todas las líneas locales y de Transbay de AC Transit funcionarán con horarios de domingo para celebrar los días de fiesta de Navidad y Año Nuevo.

Además, ¡disfrute de viajes gratuitos en todas las líneas desde las 8:00 p.m. de la Noche vieja hasta las 5:00 a.m. del Día de Año Nuevo!

La información sobre los horarios está disponible en la página web actransit.org o llamando al 510-891-4777.

AC Transit les desea unas felices fiestas.



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圣诞节和新年期间，公交将按照周日时刻表运行

2025年12月25日星期四，和2026年1月1日星期四，圣诞节和新年节假日期间，所有 AC Transit 的本地和跨湾公交将按照周日时刻表运行。

除夕夜和新年当天，从晚上8点到次日凌晨5点可免费乘车。

时刻表信息可在官网查询：actransit.org，或者致电 510-891-4777。

AC Transit 祝您节日愉快!



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From: [Safety Concern](#)
To: [Safety Concern](#)
Subject: [Safety Concern](#)
Date: Friday, December 10, 2025 10:10:00 AM

From: Kevin Remick <kremick@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, December 19, 2025 6:25 AM
To: Public Concern <publicconcern@samtrains.com>
Subject: Fast Safety concern for all road users

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To Whom it May Concern,

Writing with concern about daily issues of SamTrains bus drivers, driving erratically and without care. For example, today December 12th at 6:10 AM southbound on Riverwood Avenue and closest cross Alma st in Menlo Park. Bus number 296 was continuously driving in the bike lane while students going to Hillview middle school and myself trying to get to downtown Menlo Park on our bicycles. We were threatened and intimidated by the actions of the driver. Please, help further educate bus drivers about the safety of all users on the road and please if not for me, for the safety of our children getting to school. The violence and intimidation against cyclist needs to end.

Submitted reports: 905516, previous 905528





Respectfully,

Karin Benito
Merito Park
Private Citizen

Sent from my iPhone

From: Mass Transit <mass@news.southcommmail.com>
Sent: Friday, December 19, 2025 8:46 AM
To: Board (@samtrans.com)
Subject: Why Penetration Testing Matters for Passenger Transit; Updates from MBTA

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By Erin Plemons

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The current contract expires in June 2027 with a replacement expected to be selected at the end of 2026.

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The system passed dead wire testing with final testing and finishing touches set ahead of an early 2026 opening.

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By Noah Kolenda

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December 16, 2025

The Complaint Division and
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Re: Bus Driver: 12/11/25: Bus 443: Driver ID: unknown: Ethnicity: African male, Time: Late.
The Bus Driver wants to force me to get off at Britain and El Camino Real.

Directors and Complaints Agents:

Many SamTrans bus-stops are not covered, and are without benches. However, this one has a bench inside-in the dark-and if you sit there, many SamTrans bus drivers will ignore you. This is reality.

However, tonight, the 443 bus driver wanted to drop me there, when I asked for the San Carlos station. At 9:30 PM or so, I picked up the ECR at the Redwood City Station. The six front seats were crowded with sleepers and baggage carts. I had my grocery cart and stated: "Its okay, I can stand, I'm getting off at the San Carlos Station. The front of the stop-is a rolling sinkhole that fills with water when it rains. So, tonight it is damp and muddy. And, many drivers-that view you as being too close to the sinkhole, don't stop. Except when they want to kick one off the bus. So, this driver starts yelling to me, "Sit down," The seat is next to a passenger who is constantly scratching his head. But, there is another sleeping in two seats. Pulling out the driver is yelling and screaming, at me.

At Britain-he tells me-to get off here." I tell him, "this is Belmont, not the station." He is angry-gets off-and calls the police. Passengers are now yelling at me, thirty minutes later when the police arrive. Deputy Mateo at JBmateo@smcgov.org or 650-363-4911. The bus driver is yelling, "You get off where I tell youse."

Thank you for Your service,

Emil Lawrence



From: [SanTrans 800 Public Support](#)
To: [SanTrans 800 Public Support](#)
Cc: [SanTrans 800 Public Support](#)
Subject: Safety concern for all road users

To: Kevin Remick,

Thank you for contacting SanTrans. We assure you that safety is a top priority at SanTrans, and we are very sorry to hear you have had such consistent issues with us that you have been left feeling intimidated—even threatened—by your experiences with our operators out on the road. However, we appreciate you taking the time to raise these concerns with us, including providing us with information of this most recent encounter. Know that your concerns and the information you provided us were forwarded to the proper parties for review. A copy of this correspondence will also be provided to our Board of Directors.

Please rest assured that SanTrans will make every effort to provide our community with safe and reliable transit service. To that end, thank you again for reaching out with your comments. We hope this will be the beginning of the end of such experiences for you and your fellow cyclists, but please do not hesitate to contact us again if you have further concerns, whether for this issue or otherwise.

Your SanTrans 800 Public Support Team

From: Kevin Remick <800@santrans.com>
Sent: Friday, December 15, 2023 8:10 AM (UTC-08:00) America, Pacific
To: Kevin <800@santrans.com>
Subject: Safety concern for all road users

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