

AGENDA

2014 PUBLIC SAFETY RAIL CONFERENCE APRIL 10 CROWNE PLAZA ANAHEIM RESORT GARDEN GROVE, CA



7:00 AM – 8:30 AM CONFERENCE REGISTRATION
OPENING SESSION

8:30 AM – 9:30 AM

WELCOME SPEAKERS

**FEATURED SPEAKER: JAMES JORDAN, REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR,
FEDERAL RAILROAD ADMINISTRATION**

BREAK 9:30 AM – 9:45 AM

**CONCURRENT
SESSIONS 1** 9:45 AM – 10:45 AM

**Volpe Center – New Technologies on Crossing and Trespass Research/
Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) Overview of FRA’s
2013 Safety Data:** Ron Ries (FRA), Marco daSilva (FRA VOLPE)

The Impact of Suicide by Train on the Community, First Responders and Rail Workers:
Patrick Sherry PHD (University of Denver), Harry Gavin (UPRR UTU),
Andy Bunn (Railroad Chaplains)

Enforcement – Working Together – Recipe for Success
Police Officer Scott Rust (BNSF), Police Officer Jorge Villaescusa (UPRR),
Kevin Scroggins (Metrolink)

BREAK 10:45 AM – 11:00 AM

**CONCURRENT
SESSIONS 2** 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Crossing Safety Initiatives: Daren Gilbert (CPUC), Ron Mathieu (Metrolink), Don Sepulveda (MTA)

Transportation Incidents and the Media:

Officer Vince Ramirez (CHP), Mike Nolan (Total Traffic & Weather Network/KFI AM 640
and KOST 103), Eric Carpenter (Orange County Transportation Authority Media
Relations), and Doug Irving (Orange County Register)

How Do Railroad Public Safety Programs Fit into the Big Picture?

Steve Neubauer (BNSF), John Simpson (UPRR), Steve Walker (ACE Rail)

LUNCH (PROVIDED) 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM

GUEST SPEAKER: JOYCE ROSE, PRESIDENT & CEO, OPERATION LIFESAVER, INC.

**CONCURRENT
SESSIONS 3** 1:00 PM – 2:00 PM

Grade Separations: Rose Casey (OCTA), Jacki Scott (City of Irvine), Mark Christoffels (ACE)

TIGER – Grade Crossing Safety Improvements w/Technology: Kenneth Rivera (TransitVue),
Jim Argiropoulos (LexRay), Daniel Lindstrom (MTA)

BREAK 2:00 PM – 2:15 PM

**CONCURRENT
SESSIONS 4** 2:15 PM – 3:30 PM

Grade Crossing Safety Improvements/California Quiet Zones: Ron Ries (FRA), Darrell Johnson (OCTA),
Monica Suter (City of Santa Ana)

Rail Safety Education for Stakeholders: Ronnie Garcia (BNSF), Tina Post (CHP)

Highway Grade Crossings Grants/Funding: Daren Gilbert (CPUC), Lauren Clauson (Caltrans), James
Dahlem (FHWA), Sam Makar (City of La Habra)

**WRAP/UP
CLOSING SESSION** 3:35 PM – 4:00 PM

NETWORKING 4:00 PM – 5:00 PM