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## Public Transport on the Move in the West of the USA

15 – 22 October 2017

**Realised Programme**



**Seattle – Portland – Sacramento – Salt Lake City – Oakland – San Francisco**

**Amtrak Cascades & Coast Starlight**

**California Railroad Museum – CalTrain KISS – Bay Ferries**

**Monorail – Cities Sprinters – Charger Locomotives – Cable Liners**

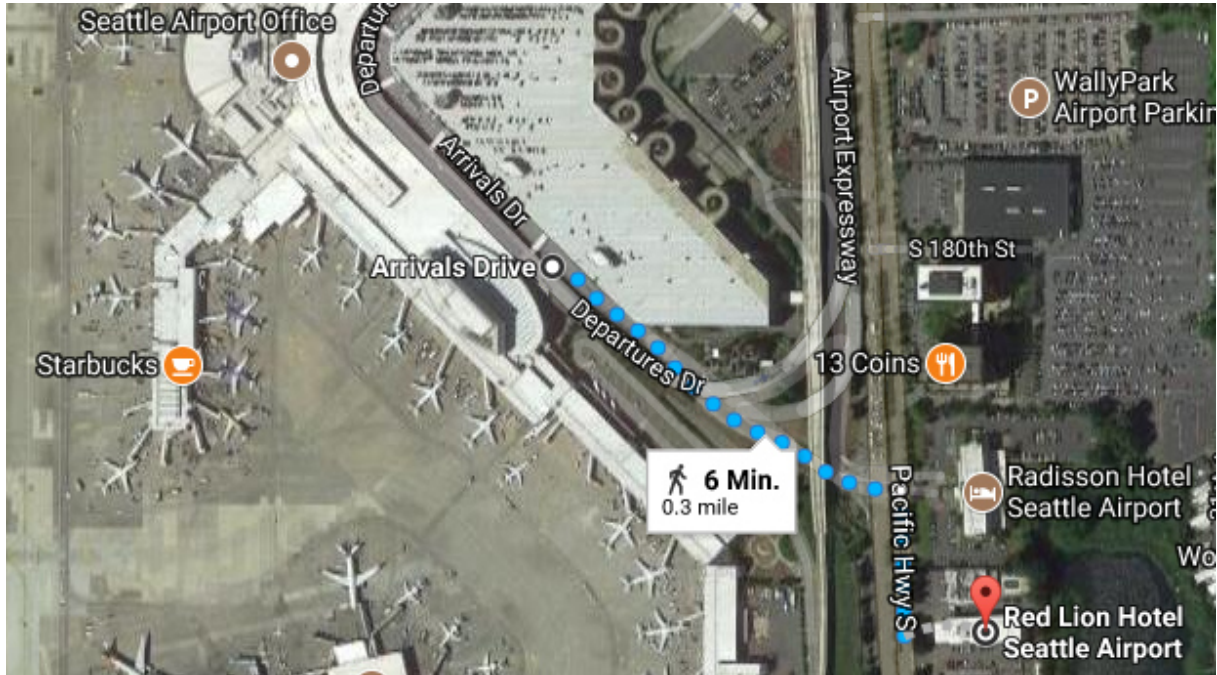
**Light Rail – Aerial Tram – Street & Cable Cars – California High Speed**

**Day One, Sunday, 15 October 2017**

Individual Air Travel from Europe to **Seattle Tacoma International Airport**

*Immigration & Customs: Allow one hour minimum for formalities!*

**Individual transfer to Red Lion Hotel, Seattle Airport**



18220 International Blvd, Seattle, WA 98188, USA, Tel +1 206-246-5535

<https://www.redlion.com/seattle-airport>

**19:00**      **Meet in Hotel Lobby for Dinner at Sharps Roast House (3 Min.)**

Overnight

**Day Two, Monday, 16 October**

07:45 Assemble in Lobby, short walk to Airport Conference Center Room Tokyo & Briefings:

- **The Buy America Act** professionally explained by *Norwin K. Voegeli*, President & CEO, United Rail, Jacksonville FL; [https://de.wikipedia.org/wiki/Buy\\_American\\_Act](https://de.wikipedia.org/wiki/Buy_American_Act)
- **United Rail** – A Swiss Success Story in North America for the last 11 years  
<http://united-rail.com/about-railway-services/>
- Swiss **Amberg Technology** in North America  
<http://www.ambergtechnologies.ch/de/produkte/bahnvermessung/>  
<http://www.railway-technology.com/contractors/track/amberg-technologies/>
- **Sound Transit Rail:** *Justin Wheeler*, Vice-President Rail Transit Department, HNTB

Travel by Light Rail: Track geometry by **Amberg Technology to Downtown Seattle** and deposit luggage at Sound Transit Office next to Amtrak Station



Return trip on the **Monorail** ([www.seattlemonorail.com/](http://www.seattlemonorail.com/)) built in 1962 for the World Fair



12:30 Presentation by **Sound Mass Transit**, *Zach Shaner*, Customer Communications and Public Information Supervisor

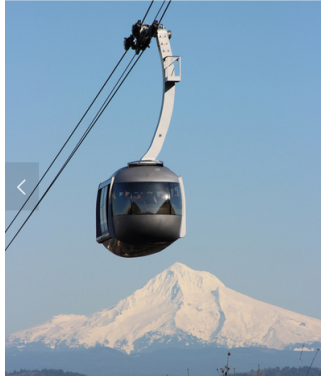
14:10 17:50 To **Portland** on board **Amtrak "Cascades"**: [www.amtrakcascades.com/](http://www.amtrakcascades.com/)



Check-in at **Embassy Suites by Hilton**, Portland Downtown, 319 SW Pine Street, Portland, [www.embassyportland.com](http://www.embassyportland.com) followed by dinner and overnight

**Day Three, Tuesday, 17 October**

**Travel by Streetcar to Aerial Tram, visit and trip to Marquam Hill and back:**  
<http://www.gobytram.com/> by *Austin Edwards*, Maintenance Supervisor, Portland Aerial Tramway



Travel the **Portland Street Cars:** <https://portlandstreetcar.org/>  
**Photo Visit to Willamette River – Twin deck Hub Bridge from 1912**



14:25 Depart by **Amtrak "Coast Starlight"** bound for **Sacramento:**

- <https://deutsch.amtrak.com/amtrak/ende/24/> [www.amtrak.com/coast-starlight-train](http://www.amtrak.com/coast-starlight-train)
- <https://francais.amtrak.com/coast-starlight-train>



Lunch, Dinner and Overnight on board the **Coast Starlight**

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**Day Four, Wednesday, 18 October 2017**

06:15 Arrival at **Sacramento**

Luggage deposit at Amtrak station

Transfer by Uber to Siemens

08:30 Breakfast, **Presentations and Visit to Siemens**, *Armin Kick*, Vice President Locomotives and High-Speed Trainsets:

<http://w3.usa.siemens.com/mobility/us/en/Pages/siemens-mobility.aspx>



**Visit to California State Railroad Museum:** [www.californiarailroad.museum/](http://www.californiarailroad.museum/)



15:00 **Visit to California High-Speed Rail Authority:**

- <http://www.caltrain.com/projectsplans/CaltrainModernization.html>

- <http://www.caltrain.com/projectsplans/CaltrainModernizationRD/hsrsystem.html>



Transfer by Uber to Sacramento International Airport

18:27 21:10 DL 4829 Flight **to Salt Lake City** (\*-1h) operated by Skywest Airlines

Transfer to Downtown by Green Line 704 to Courthouse and check-in at **Little America Hotel**, 500 South Main Street, Salt Lake City, Utah, <http://saltlake.littleamerica.com/>

**Day Five, Thursday, 19 October 2017**

**Stadler Rail US INC.:** [http://www.stadlerail.com/de/ueber-uns/standorte/stadler\\_us\\_inc](http://www.stadlerail.com/de/ueber-uns/standorte/stadler_us_inc)  
*Martin Ritter, CEO*

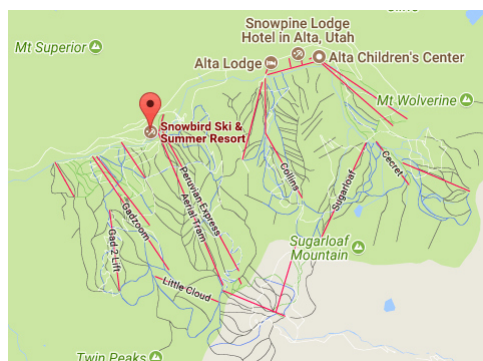


**ABB: Rail Traction in North America with** *Edgar V. Keller*, Head of Transformers and *Daniel Ludwikoski*, LBU SCM Manager  
<http://new.abb.com/railway/traction-systems-for-high-speed-trains>



**Tour of the Doppelmayr production plant for North America**  
<https://www.doppelmayr.com/en/the-group/subsidiaries/usa/doppelmayr-usa-inc/>

Visit to Snowbird Resort ([www.snowbird.com](http://www.snowbird.com)) and information on potential public transport by cog railway followed by Dinner at the Aerie Restaurant on Cloud 10



Overnight at Little America Hotel

**Day Six, Friday, 20 October**

06:24 Transfer by by Green Line to Salt Lake City International Airport

08:42 09:42 DL 1962 Flight to Oakland (-1h)

Urban Cable Cars & Liners: Behind the scene of the Oakland People Mover by **Doppelmayr**:  
<https://www.doppelmayr.com/produkte/referenzen/clp-oakland-airport-connector/>:  
*Jacob Fagan*, O&M Manager Doppelmayr Cable Cars CA1



Transfer by private bus to **Alstom Mare Island Facility**, light lunch and inputs on:

- Avelia Liberty High Speed Project for Amtrak
- Renovation, Modernization and Logistic Solutions for the West Coast:

<http://www.alstom.com/press-centre/2016/3/alstom-delivers-the-third-rebuilt-rail-car-to-rocky-mountaineer/>



16:45 17:45 Vallejo to Downtown SFO by **Ferry passing Golden Gate Bridge**

Check-in at **Hilton San Francisco Financial District**,  
750 Kearny Street, San Francisco CA 94108, [www.sanfranciscofinancialdistrict.hilton.com](http://www.sanfranciscofinancialdistrict.hilton.com)

Farewell Dinner at Tadich Grill

**Day Seven: Saturday, 21 October**

Travel **Historic Cable Cars & Visit Cable Car Power House & Museum:**

<http://cablecarmuseum.org/index.html>



Experience Market Street **Historic Tramways** along Fisherman's Wharf:

<https://www.streetcar.org/streetcars/>:



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16:30 Transfer to Airport by BART



17:30 Check-in for those travelling on United/SWISS to Zurich

**Return to Europe**



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