

#### **General Manager's Report**

- CARB Proposed In-Use Locomotive Regulation
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#### **CARB Proposed In-Use Locomotive Regulation**

- Proposed regulation requires locomotives and multiple units (MU) to be 100% zero-emission by 2030 (passenger) 2035 (freight)
- Partnering with other commuter and intercity railroads through the California Transit Association
- Voicing concerns regarding the proposed regulation's timing, structure, and compliance requirements
  - Lack of commercially available zero-emission locomotives/MU
    - Buy America requirements
    - FRA certification and safety approval
    - Ability to meet current frequency, range, and future expansion operating demands
  - Regulation would require all operators to annually deposit funding into a trust account based on emissions generated to fund purchase of future vehicles beginning July 1, 2024
  - Would prohibit use of locomotives more than 23 years old in 2030



#### **CARB** Proposed In-Use Locomotive Regulation

#### Proposal

- Requesting CARB initiate and complete an independent and peerreviewed market and technology assessment before implementing the proposed regulation or any alternative regulation.
- Suggesting market assessment should be conducted with input from industry stakeholders and all relevant state and federal departments and agencies, and should address the following issues:
  - Commercial availability
  - Deployment status
  - Capital and operating costs, performance, range, and reliability
  - State and federal funding opportunities
  - Barriers to adoption including current electrical grid capacity limitations
  - Status of intercity passenger and commuter rail service in California
- Hearing scheduled for November 17/18th

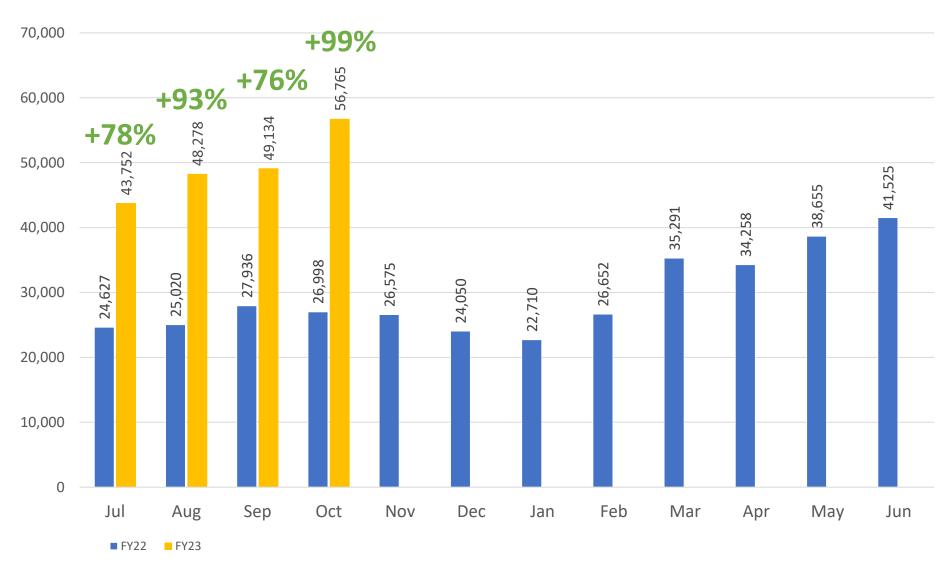


#### **Governor Newsom Announcement**

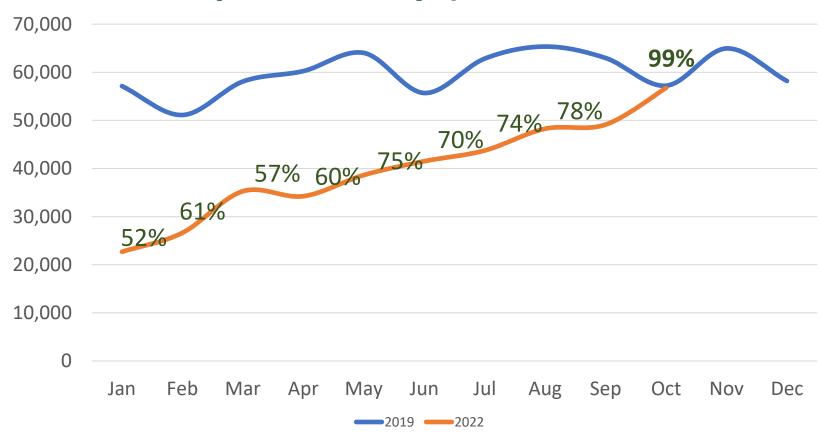
- Governor Newsom announced the COVID-19 State of Emergency will end February 28, 2023
- This timeline is intended to provide state and local agencies the time needed to prepare for the phase-out of certain Executive Orders
  - Eliminates option for remote Board meetings
- SMART Staff will bring this item to the Board for discussion on November 16<sup>th</sup>
- Considerations
  - In-person meeting implementation date
  - Meeting frequency
  - Zoom option for the public
  - Other considerations



## Monthly Ridership (FY23 over FY22)



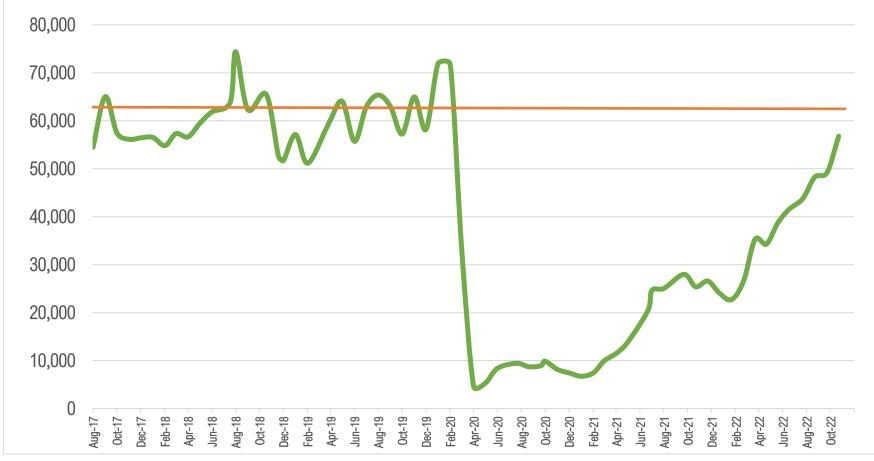
### Ridership Recovery (FY23 vs Pre-COVID)



- FY23 ridership reaching Pre-COVID levels
- October 2022 at 99.2% of October 2019 ridership
  - Kincade fire = 4 days reduced service / 3 days cancelled service



## Ridership Recovery



October ridership at 86% of pre-COVID monthly average



#### **Social Media Ads**







# **Pathway Grand Opening**





# Questions?



