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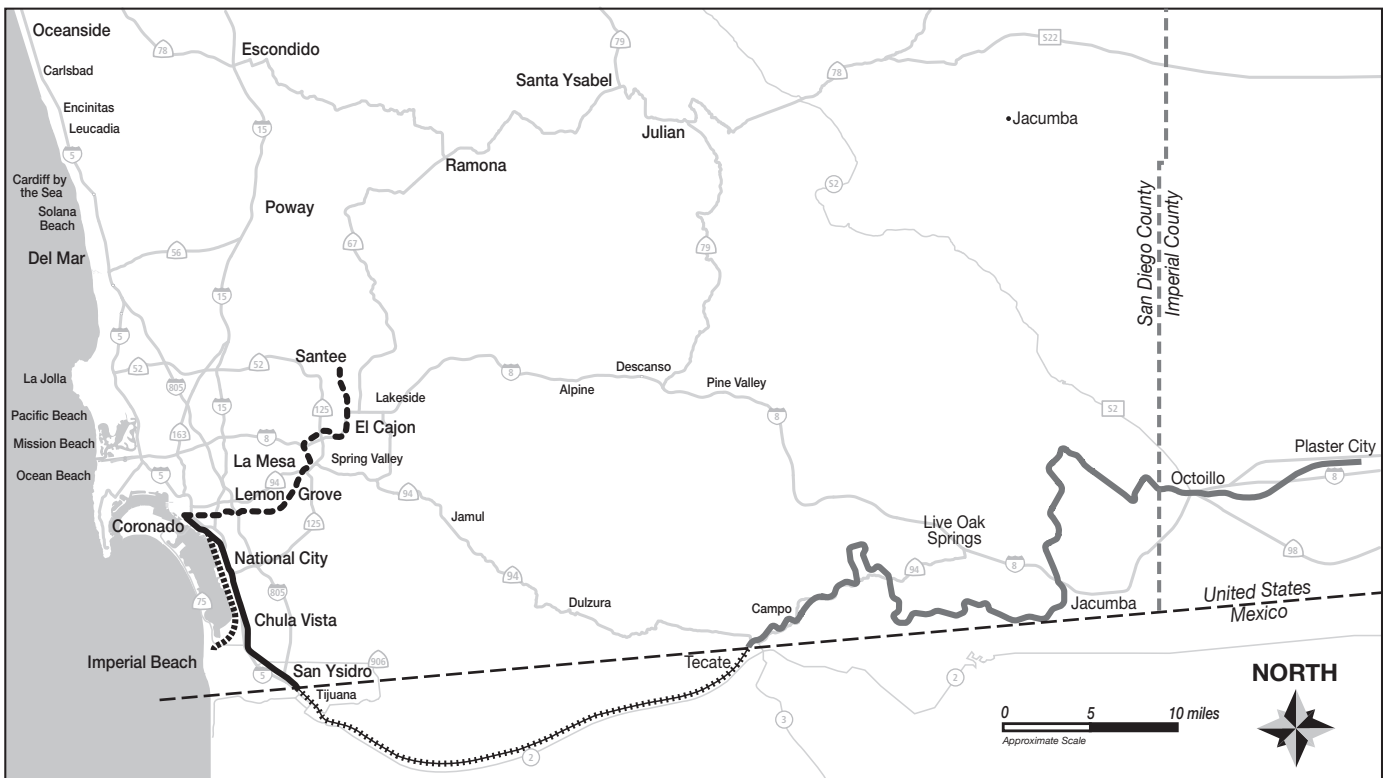
Metropolitan Transit System

SAN DIEGO & ARIZONA EASTERN (SD&AE) RAILWAY

Table with 2 columns: Category (OWNER, ROUTE DESCRIPTION, TRANSIT OPERATOR, FREIGHT OPERATOR, PASSENGER EXCURSIONS, CHRONOLOGICAL HISTORY) and Description.



- September 10, 1976 Hurricane Kathleen destroys major sections of track and bridges on the Desert Line.
- 1978 Interstate Commerce Commission (ICC) denies SP's request to abandon railway.
- August 20, 1979 MTS purchases SD&AE Railway Company in restored condition for \$18.1 million (SP keeps Plaster City-El Centro segment). ICC approves operation of freight service by Kyle Railways under contract to MTS. MTS reorganizes SD&AE as a Nevada nonprofit corporation.
- January 1980 Storm damages parts of SD&AE Desert Line and Ferrocarril Sonora Baja Line.
- January 1983 Mexican damage repaired, Kyle begins rail shipments between San Diego and Plaster City.
- June 18, 1983 Fire destroys two (2) bridges on Desert Line.
- March 8, 1984 MTS signs agreement with Texas firm, RailTex, to provide freight service. New service to operate as San Diego & Imperial Valley (SD&IV) Railroad.
- April 25, 1984 ICC denies Kyle's request to abandon the Railroad.
- August 9, 1984 ICC approves RailTex's application to operate freight service.
- October 15, 1984 SD&IV begins freight service.
- December 1, 1985 San Diego Railroad Museum began 16-mile roundtrip Passenger Excursion trips between Campo and Miller Creek.
- August 1, 1986 SD&IV enters into a multi-year agreement with the Mexican Government to set tariffs and provide freight service into Baja California.
- July 14, 1989 SD&IV begins repair on Desert Line as a prelude to the start of freight service to Imperial County.
- April 2003 SD&IV and MTS approve agreement with CZRY for freight service on the Desert Line. CZRY begins Desert Line rehabilitation.
- January 2005 CZRY officially moves freight across the Desert Line.
- October 2008 Embargo on Desert Line for moving freight pending bridge and tunnel repairs.
- October 2010 Blue Line Rehabilitation project begins- overhead catenary wire replacement.



- Main Line
- - - La Mesa Branch
- · · · · Coronado Branch
- Desert Line
- · · · · Mexcio Line