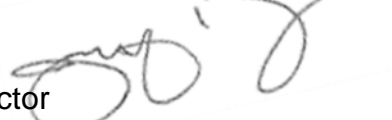




March 18, 2019

To: Members of the Board of Directors

From: Jennifer L. Bergener, Managing Director 

Subject: Cooperative Agreement with National Railroad Passenger Corporation for Design Services in Support of the Expansion of the Pacific Surfliner Layover Facility in the City of Goleta

Overview

The Goleta Layover Facility Expansion Project will expand the storage capacity of the existing Amtrak layover facility in the City of Goleta to accommodate proposed service expansion and enhancement goals. A cooperative agreement with the National Railroad Passenger Corporation is required to define roles, responsibilities and funding for the design of the Goleta Layover Facility Expansion Project.

Recommendation

Authorize the Managing Director to negotiate and execute Agreement No. L-9-0001 between the Los Angeles – San Diego – San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency and the National Railroad Passenger Corporation, in the amount of \$383,000, for Design Services for the expansion of the Pacific Surfliner Layover Facility in the City of Goleta.

Discussion

The Pacific Surfliner service is currently supported by three overnight layover facilities located in the cities of Goleta, San Diego, and San Luis Obispo, and a primary maintenance and layover facility near downtown Los Angeles. The layover facilities in Goleta, San Diego, and San Luis Obispo combined can support a total of six train sets, with capacity for one train set in Goleta, four in San Diego, and one in San Luis Obispo. Each of these locations is currently at capacity and cannot accommodate proposed service expansion or enhancement goals for the Pacific Surfliner.

Efforts to expand the layover and maintenance capacity in both San Diego and San Luis Obispo, are currently underway. To support the corridor-wide service expansion and enhancement goals for the Pacific Surfliner, the layover and maintenance capacity in Goleta must be expanded.

The National Railroad Passenger Corporation (Amtrak) has a long-term lease with the Union Pacific Railroad for the property on which the existing layover is located. Amtrak designed and constructed the existing facility and is responsible for operating, maintaining, and making further modifications to the facility.

As part of the Los Angeles – San Diego – San Luis Obispo (LOSSAN) Rail Corridor Agency (Agency) Capital Improvement Program (CIP) approved by the Board of Directors on January 30, 2019, \$260,000 of State Rail Assistance (SRA) funding was programmed for the design phase of the Goleta Layover Facility Expansion Project (Project). In addition, funding for the Project was included in the LOSSAN Agency's 2018 Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP) grant award. An allocation of \$123,000 of TIRCP funding for design will be requested at the May 2019 meeting of the California Transportation Commission (CTC), bringing the total budget to \$383,000 for completing the preliminary and final design of the Project.

In order to expedite the process for designing the Project, LOSSAN Agency staff proposes to enter into a cooperative agreement with Amtrak to utilize Amtrak engineering staff and their competitively bid engineering bench of consultants to perform design services for the project.

Fiscal Impact

The \$260,000 of assumed SRA project funding is included in the FY 2019-20 CIP list, approved by the LOSSAN Agency Board of Directors in January 2019. Allocation of the requested SRA funds for this project is contingent upon approval of the CIP list by the California State Transportation Agency. The Project was also included in the 2018 TIRCP grant award received by the LOSSAN Agency in April 2018. An allocation request for \$123,000 of 2018 TIRCP funding will be made at the May 2019 meeting of the CTC.

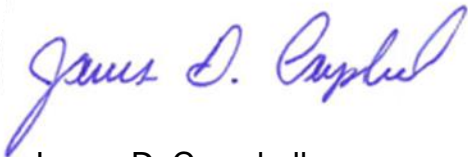
Summary

Staff is seeking authorization to negotiate and execute Cooperative Agreement L-9-0001 with the National Railroad Passenger Corporation to define roles, responsibilities and funding in the amount of \$383,000, for design services in support of the expansion of the Pacific Surfliner Layover Facility in the City of Goleta.

Attachment

- A. (Draft) Cooperative Agreement No. L-9-0001 between Los Angeles – San Diego – San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency and National Railroad Passenger Corporation for Design Services in Support of the Expansion of the Pacific Surfliner Layover Facility in the City of Goleta

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