

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS
CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

CTC Meeting: March 16-17, 2016

Reference No.: 2.6g.(2)
Action Item

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Subject: **FINANCIAL ALLOCATION AMENDMENT FOR TRANSIT AND INTERCITY RAIL
CAPITAL PROGRAM PROJECTS
RESOLUTION TIRCP-1516-06, AMENDING RESOLUTION TIRCP-1516-01**

RECOMMENDATION:

The California Department of Transportation recommends the California Transportation Commission (Commission) approve a financial allocation amendment to Resolution TIRCP-1516-01, originally approved August 27, 2015.

BACKGROUND:

On August 27, 2015, the Commission approved Resolution TIRCP-1516-01 to allocate \$41,181,000 from the Transit and Intercity Rail Program (TIRCP) to the Southern California Regional Rail Authority (SCRRA) to purchase nine fuel efficient, Tier IV EMD F-125 locomotives. Seven of the nine locomotives would be replacement locomotives to be placed into the existing fleet, serving stations and riders throughout the entire Metrolink system. The remaining two of the nine locomotives would add to SCRRA's fleet of 52 locomotives and enable expanded service on the Antelope Valley and Ventura lines.

Since the original allocation, substantial commitments from SCRRA's Member agencies and a Carl Moyer award from the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) became finalized that allow the locomotive option contract to fund a total of 20 locomotives, thus completing Metrolink's locomotive replacement program and allowing additional expansion service. The Carl Moyer award from SCAQMD was under final consideration at the time SCRRA submitted its application for TIRCP funding.

ISSUE:

In order for SCRRA to use Carl Moyer funds, a financial allocation amendment to Resolution TIRCP-1516-01 is needed to revise the project description from "Replace seven and purchase two additional locomotives to increase services on the Antelope and Ventura Lines" to Purchase nine locomotives that contribute to the purchase of 20 locomotives that complete Metrolink's locomotive replacement program and expand service with three locomotives. The replacement units will be

used throughout the system to provide current service levels. As described in the original grant request, two of the expansion units will provide expanded service on the Antelope Valley and Ventura County commuter rail lines. The third expansion locomotive will be needed to accommodate system-wide Metrolink growth and may be assigned to a specific, new service route(s) in the future.

The amendment will enable SCRRA to maximize the use of all its grant funds toward the procurement of 20 new Tier IV locomotives. Local funds will be applied to all 20 locomotives. With TIRCP funds matching increased funding from other partners, the greenhouse gas reductions for the entire procurement of 20 locomotives is anticipated to be greater than original grant request.

The California State Transportation Agency concurs with this revision to the project description. There is no change to the overall total allocation. The required changes are reflected in strikethrough and bold on the attached document.

Attachment

2.6 Mass Transportation Financial Matters

Project #	Project Title	PPNO Program/Year	Budget Year	Amount by
Allocation Amount	Location	Phase	Item #	Fund Type
Recipient	Project Description	Prgm'd Amount	Fund Type	Amount by
<u>RTPA/CTC</u>		Project ID	Program Code	Fund Type
District-County		Adv. Phase		Fund Type
		EA		
2.6g.(2)	Allocation Amendment - Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program Project		Resolution TIRCP-1516-06,	
			Amending Resolution TIRCP-1516-01	
1	Purchase Nine Fuel Efficient, Tier IV EMD	07-CP002	2015-16	
\$41,181,000	Locomotives. Replace seven and purchase two additional locomotives to increase service on the Antelope Valley and Ventura lines.	TIRCP/ CONST	302-0042R SHA	\$41,181,000
Southern California Regional Rail Authority		\$41,181,000 0016000009	30.10.070.000	
<u>LACMTA</u>	Purchase nine locomotives that contribute to the purchase of 20 locomotives that complete Metrolink's locomotive replacement program and expand service with three locomotives.	S R341GA		
07-Los Angeles				
	(CEQA - CE, 15260.)			
	(Change to Program Code made via the Change List for the August 2015 CTC Meeting.)			
	The California State Transportation Agency concurs with this revision to the project description. There is no change to the overall allocation.			
	<u>Outcome/Output:</u> Increase ridership and reduces GHG emissions, in addition to benefiting disadvantaged communities throughout the service area.			
	<u>CONTINGENT ON APPROVED EXECUTIVE AGREEMENT WITH CALIFORNIA STATE TRANSPORTATION AGENCY.</u>			