

MEMORANDUM

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS
CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

CTC Meeting: August 16-17, 2023

From: STEVEN KECK, Chief Financial Officer

Reference Number: 2.6g.(17), Action Item

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Subject: **ALLOCATION AMENDMENT FOR A TRANSIT AND INTERCITY RAIL CAPITAL PROGRAM COMPONENT**
RESOLUTION TIRCP-2324-05, AMENDING RESOLUTION TIRCP-2021-09

ISSUE:

Should the California Transportation Commission (Commission) approve an allocation amendment for the Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP) (2018:12) Building Up: LOSSAN North Improvement Program (Corridor Hardening Improvements) component (PPNO CP042), in various counties, to deallocate \$3,055,000 from the Construction (CON) phase and reprogram it to Fiscal Year 2024-25?

RECOMMENDATION:

The California Department of Transportation recommends that the Commission approve an allocation amendment for the TIRCP (2018:12) Building Up: LOSSAN North Improvement Program (Corridor Hardening Improvements) component (PPNO CP042), in various counties, to deallocate \$3,055,000 from the CON phase and reprogram it to 2024-25.

BACKGROUND:

In December 2020, the Commission approved Resolution TIRCP-2021-09 to allocate \$3,055,000 for the CON phase of the TIRCP (2018:12) Building Up: LOSSAN North Improvement Program (Corridor Hardening Improvements) component (PPNO CP042). The scope of this component is to perform as needed improvements in San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, and Ventura Counties identified by Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) and Los Angeles-San Diego-San Luis Obispo Rail Corridor Agency (LOSSAN), which includes the preservation of existing infrastructure and expansion of physical safety enhancing features including slope and bluff stabilization, security fencing, and communication upgrades and improvements. This allocation was planned to be combined with \$3,845,000 of State Rail Assistance formula funding to complete \$6,900,000 in various slope destabilization repairs.

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However, through significant coordination with UPRR and its environmental consultants, along with various site visits by LOSSAN staff members, it has been determined that the scale of slope and bluff destabilization is much larger than originally anticipated. Climate change has also exacerbated the rate of decline of the slopes. In addition, since the discovery of the larger scope, projected costs have increased dramatically due to inflation. In order to complete the larger scope of required improvements that have been identified, LOSSAN now has nearly \$35,000,000 programmed towards these improvements in TIRCP, local, and State Rail Assistance funding, and is using this money to leverage federal funding to complete all of the critical repairs. The \$3,055,000 being requested to be deallocated would be reprogrammed to 2024-25 of the same component and phase of the Corridor Hardening Improvements component, to consolidate it with the other funding that has been secured for the improvements. Once all funding has been secured, the \$3,055,000, along with \$5,500,000 that has been reprogrammed from a different component of the same project, will be allocated, which is planned for 2024-25.

LOSSAN incurred costs but repaid them, allowing the full programmed amount to be deallocated and reprogrammed in 2024-25.

The proposed changes are reflected in strikethrough and bold on the vote box.

FINANCIAL RESOLUTION:

Be it resolved, that the TIRCP (2018:12) Building Up: LOSSAN North Improvement Program (Corridor Hardening Improvements) component (PPNO CP042), is hereby amended to deallocate \$3,055,000 from the CON phase and reprogrammed to 2024-25, in accordance with the attached revised vote box.

Attachment

2.6 Mass Transportation Financial Matters

Project # Allocation Amount Recipient RTPA/CTC District-County	Project Title Location Project Description	PPNO Program/Year Phase Prgm'd Amount Project ID	Budget Year Item # Fund Type Program Code	Amount by Fund Type
2.6g.(17)	Allocation Amendment - Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (SB 1 Augmentation for PTA)		Resolution TIRCP-2324-05 Amending Resolution TIRCP-2021-09	
1 \$3,055,000 \$0	(2018: 12) Building UP: LOSSAN North Improvement Program (Corridor Hardening Improvements) . Construction of improvements identified by the Host Railroad and Implementing Agency and agreed to by all parties for the preservation of existing infrastructure and expansion of physical safety enhancing features including slope / bluff stabilization, security fencing, communication upgrades and improvements. This project was not part of the original TIRCP Cycle 3 award. This project was negotiated with the Host Railroad as both more feasible to construct and agreeable to the surrounding community. The implementing agency has an approved list of projects by all parties to deliver the outcomes and outputs promised under this program. <u>Outcome/Outputs:</u> Safety of passengers and employees. Preserving existing operating speeds and supporting future service expansion. CEQA - CE 21080(b)(10), 10/20/2020 This project is a 5 year project that will be expended for the life of the Building Up Program. The identification of improvements and associated costs will determine expenditures. The current expenditure expectations are: FY 20-21 FY 21-22 FY 22-23 FY 23-24 FY 24-25 \$611K \$611K \$611K \$611K \$611K The current allocation includes the following funding split: \$1,354,000 \$0 GGRF and \$1,701,000 \$0 SB1 Augmentation for PTA. <u>Amending Resolution TIRCP-2021-09 to deallocate \$3,055,000 and reprogram it to Fiscal Year 2024-25 for the same component and phase.</u> SB 1 Augmentation for PTA	VAR-CP042 TIRCP/20-21 CONST \$1,354,000 \$0 TIRCP/20-21 CONST \$1,701,000 \$0 0021000122 S R402GH	2019-20 301-0046R GGRF 30.20.301.100 2019-20 101-0046 PTA 30.10.030.200	\$1,354,000 \$0 \$1,701,000 \$0