



Approve Subrecipient Agreement for the San Joaquin Regional Rail Commission Del Paso Multimodal Transportation Network and Land Use Compatibility Action Plan

Consent

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Attachments: Yes

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Referring Committee: Policy & Innovation

Issue:

SACOG is partnering with the San Joaquin Regional Rail Commission to complete a multimodal connectivity and land use analysis, and action plan for the proposed Old North Sacramento Station and its surrounding area in the Del Paso neighborhood in Sacramento.

Recommendation:

The Policy & Innovation Committee recommends that the SACOG board authorize the executive director to enter into a subrecipient agreement with the San Joaquin Regional Rail Commission to complete the Del Paso Multimodal Transportation Network and Land Use Compatibility Action Plan.

Background/Analysis:

SACOG staff partnered with San Joaquin Regional Rail Commission to submit an application to the Caltrans Strategic Partnership – Transit Grant Program. The Caltrans Strategic Partnership – Transit Grant Program is only open to Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) and Regional Transportation Planning Agencies (RTPAs) and designed to address multimodal planning projects that focus on transit. The application was to complete a multimodal connectivity and land use analysis, and action plan for the proposed Old North Sacramento Station and its surrounding area in the Del Paso neighborhood in Sacramento. The Old North Sacramento Station is a new passenger rail station planned as part of the proposed Valley Rail Project, which aims to expand passenger rail service between the San Joaquin Valley, Sacramento Region, and Bay Area. This project will create an actionable plan through a thorough, community and stakeholder involved analysis of the Old North Sacramento Station area to improve transportation safety and mobility needs, enhance connections to transit, equitable design, opportunities for land use revitalization while mitigating displacement, and position the area for funding opportunities and private investment. The SACOG board approved this project application at the November 2022, meeting. The project requested \$450,000 in funding in the application, with \$65,100 in matching funds. The matching funds will come from local funds and in-kind staffing costs. SACOG and the San Joaquin Regional Rail Commission were notified in August 2023, that the grant application was awarded the full amount requested.

Discussion/Analysis:

The study will be completed by the San Joaquin Regional Rail Commission and their consultant in partnership with the City of Sacramento, Sacramento Regional Transit, and SACOG. SACOG's role for the project will be a stakeholder and to oversee the project as the grantee of the funding. As the grantee, SACOG is responsible for ensuring that the scope of the application is completed for the amount granted and within the timeline in the

application. A copy of the scope of work for the project is listed in Attachment 1. In order for SACOG to pass through the funding to the San Joaquin Regional Rail Commission, a subrecipient agreement between the two organizations will be required. The San Joaquin Regional Rail Commission plans to initiate the project imminently, with project completion in February 2026.

Fiscal Impact/Grant Information:

The project was awarded \$450,000 in funding from Caltrans for this project. The matching funds will be provided by the San Joaquin Regional Rail Commission. This project was included in the recently adopted Overall Work Program for FY 2023-2024.