

CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
Approval of Traffic Congestion Relief Program
Project Applications

RESOLUTION TA-01-08

- 1.1 WHEREAS the Traffic Congestion Relief Act of 2000 (herein after referred to as “statute”), which was established by Chapters 91 (AB 2928) and 656 (SB 1662) of the Statutes of 2000, establishes the Traffic Congestion Relief Program, providing \$5.39 billion for projects throughout the State of California to reduce traffic congestion, provide for safe and efficient movement of goods, and provide system connectivity; and
- 1.2 WHEREAS in accordance with Government Code Section 14556.11 the California Transportation Commission (Commission) has adopted guidelines, in consultation with the Department of Transportation (Department) and regional agencies, to implement the Traffic Congestion Relief Program (TCRP); and
- 1.3 WHEREAS the statute and guidelines require applicants to specify full and complete project applications, including scope, cost and schedule, financial plans and funding sources; and
- 1.4 WHEREAS the Commission, with assistance from the Department, is required by statute to review and approve applications for TCRP projects that meet the requirements in statute and guidelines; and
- 1.5 WHEREAS the Commission, with assistance from the Department, has reviewed submitted TCRP project applications, and subsequent clarifications and revisions, and determined they comply with the statute and guidelines.
- 2.1 NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Commission does hereby approve the following two TCRP project applications for the North Coast Railroad Authority (NCRA) totaling \$36,000,000 as submitted, with subsequent clarifications and revisions:

| <i>Project Number</i> | <i>(\$ X 1,000) Amount</i> | <i>Phases(s)</i> | <i>Description</i> |
|-----------------------|----------------------------|------------------|---|
| 32.4 | \$5,000 | 1,2,4 | Upgrade Rail Line to Class II or III Standards (Section 14556.50 subparagraph (d)). |
| 32.9 | \$31,000 | All | Long Term Stabilization (Section 14556.50 subparagraph (i).) |

and;

- 2.2 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the application approval for Project #32.4 - Upgrade Rail Line to Class II or III Standards (hereafter Project #32.4), includes an advanced allocation of \$100,000 for NCRA to complete a comprehensive assessment of the overall needs of the railroad segment referred to as “South of Willits”; and

- 2.3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that prior to subsequent requests to the Commission for an allocation of funds for the “South of Willits” segment authorized under Project #32.4, beyond the \$100,000 for the comprehensive assessment, or Project #32.9 – Long Term Stabilization (hereafter Project #32.9), NCRA shall submit for review and approval, to Department and CTC staff, a design workplan for the Class II/III upgrade and stabilization activities developed from the comprehensive assessment for the “South of Willits” segment; and
- 2.4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that prior to submitting a request to the Commission for an allocation of funds for the “North of Willits” segment authorized under Project #32.9, NCRA shall submit for review and approval, to Department and CTC staff, a design workplan for the Class II/III upgrade and stabilization activities developed from the comprehensive assessment for the “North of Willits” segment to be funded under Government Code Section 14556.50, subparagraph (c); and
- 2.5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that prior to an allocation of funds for right of way acquisition and construction NCRA shall demonstrate environmental approval for the proposed capital improvement; and
- 2.6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this TCRP project application approval by the Commission reserves the State funding for the projects as specified by the statute, and allows NCRA to incur costs in accordance with the approved project application, statute and guidelines.