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ALLOCATION FOR TRAFFIC CONGESTION RELIEF (TCR) PROGRAM PROJECT

RESOLUTION TFP-01-06

RECOMMENDATION

The Department of Transportation (Department) recommends the California Transportation Commission (Commission) approve the following resolution, allocating a total of $250,000 in Traffic Congestion Relief (TCR) funds for the North Coast Railroad Authority, Project #32.1 – Defray Administrative Costs (Sub-paragraph (a)(3)) toward the overall repair and upgrade of the NCRR track.

FINANCIAL RESOLUTION

Resolved That:

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 the statute establishes Government Code Section 14556.50, Sub-paragraph (a)(3), which provides $500,000 in TCR funds to defray the administrative costs of the North Coast Railroad Authority (NCRA), and

1.3 WHEREAS the NCRA has developed an administrative Budget for Fiscal Year 2001-02 with projected spending that has been deemed acceptable, and

1.4 WHEREAS the Commission has a fiscal responsibility in the administration of Traffic Congestion Relief Funds and will exercise due caution in the allocation of said funds; and

1.5 WHEREAS it is the intent of the Commission to assist NCRA in the re-establishment of the rail line consistent with sound fiscal management of public funds; and

1.6 WHEREAS reimbursement of eligible costs is subject to the policies, restrictions and assurances as set forth in the Commission's Guidelines for Traffic Congestion Relief Program, and is governed by the terms and conditions of a cooperative agreement, and subsequent amendments to the same if required, as executed between the NCRA and the Department.

2.1 NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that a total of $250,000 in TCR Program funds be allocated from Chapter 91 of the Statutes of 2000, Item 2660-889-3007, Program Code 30.10.710.050, to the North Coast Railroad Authority for Project #32.1, Defray Administrative Costs (Sub-paragraph (a)(3)), and

2.2 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the allocation of $250,000 to cover administrative costs of the NCRA for the remainder of FY 2001-2002, is approved subject to an executed agreement between NCRA and the County of Sonoma for the County of Sonoma to handle accounting services for the NCRA; and

2.3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that of the $250,000 in TCR Program funds authorized under Section 2.1 above, the Department shall provide a reduced advance amount of $60,270, to cover the estimated NCRA administrative costs for January 2002, as well as start-up cost and one month service fee for accounting services through the County of Sonoma; and

2.4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the NCRA shall provide the Commission and the Department with a progress report on April 1st and October 1st of each year on actual expenditures and status of work, until project has been completed.