REVISED AGENDA
TAMC RAIL POLICY COMMITTEE

Meeting of Monday
March 4, 2019

Transportation Agency for Monterey County
Transportation Agency Conference Room
55-B Plaza Circle, Salinas

3:00 PM

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1. Quorum Check, Call to Order and Introductions

A quorum for the voting TAMC Rail Policy Committee members consists of a minimum of 6 of the following voting members: A quorum is 7 of the following members: Adams, Alejo, Chavez, Davis, Delgado, Hawthorne, LeBarre, Oglesby, Parker, Phillips, Potter and Smith.

If you are unable to attend, please make sure that one of your alternates attends the meeting. Your courtesy to the other members to assure a quorum is appreciated.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT ON TRANSPORTATION MATTERS NOT ON TODAY’S AGENDA.

Any member of the public may address the Rail Policy Committee on any item not on the agenda but within the jurisdiction of the Rail Policy Committee. Comments on items
on today's agenda may be given when that agenda item is discussed.

3. **BEGINNING OF CONSENT AGENDA**

   Approve the staff recommendations for items listed below by majority vote with one motion. Any member may pull an item off the Consent Agenda to be moved to the end of the CONSENT AGENDA for discussion and action.

3.1. **APPROVE** minutes of the Rail Policy Committee meeting of January 7, 2019.

   - Montiel

   *The draft minutes of the January 7, 2019 Rail Policy Committee meeting are attached for review.*

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

4. **RECEIVE** update on the Salinas Rail Kick Start project.

   - Watson

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   *Progress since the last update on the coast rail project to this Committee in January includes a meeting of the Coast Rail Coordinating Council working group and submittal of two applications for State Rail Assistance funding.*

6. **RECEIVE** update on the Monterey Bay Area Rail Network Integration Study.

   - Watson

   *TAMC published a request for proposals on December 5, 2018, to select a firm to perform a Monterey Bay Area Network Integration Study. The study will lay the groundwork for implementing the State Rail Plan in the Monterey Bay Area by determining the optimal options for: rail connectivity and operations, equipment needs, governance, and community benefits for service between Monterey County and Santa Clara County, Monterey and Santa Cruz, and the Coast Rail Corridor. This study will also assist TAMC by providing the data needed to prepare grant*
applications for funding new stations at Pajaro/Watsonville, Castroville, Soledad and King City. A selection committee reviewed three proposals and will make a recommendation to the TAMC Board.

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS and/or COMMENTS from Rail Policy Committee members on matters that they wish to put on future Committee agendas.

8. ADJOURN

ANNOUNCEMENTS
Next Rail Policy Committee meeting:
Monday, April 1, 2019 at 3:00 p.m.
Transportation Agency for Monterey County Conference Room
55-B Plaza Circle, Salinas, California 93901

Light refreshments will be provided

If you have any items for the next agenda, please submit them to:
Christina Watson, Rail Program Coordinator
Christina@tamcmonterey.org

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Memorandum

To: Rail Policy Committee  
From: Maria Montiel, Administrative Assistant  
Meeting Date: March 4, 2019  
Subject: Draft January RPC Minutes

RECOMMENDED ACTION:  
APPROVE minutes of the Rail Policy Committee meeting of January 7, 2019.

SUMMARY:  
The draft minutes of the January 7, 2019 Rail Policy Committee meeting are attached for review.

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- RPC Draft January Minutes
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**STAFF**

- D. Hale, Exec. Director
- T. Muck, Deputy Exec. Director
- C. Watson, Principal Transp. Planner
- M. Zeller, Principal Transp. Planner
- Theresa Wright, Outreach Coordinator
- M. Montiel, Admin Assistant
- L. Williamson, Senior Engineer
1. **QUORUM CHECK AND CALL TO ORDER**
Vice Chair Delgado called the meeting to order at 3:09 p.m. A quorum was established, and self-introductions were made.

**OTHERS PRESENT**
Brad Tarp Salinas resident
Diane Tarp Salinas resident
Grant Leonard Monterey County

2. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**
None

3. **CONSENT AGENDA**
M/S/C Anderson/Askew/unanimous
3.1 Approved minutes of the November 5, 2019 Rail Policy Committee meeting.

END OF CONSENT AGENDA

4. **RAIL POLICY COMMITTEE ELECTIONS**
The Committee held elections for Chair for 2019-20.

Christina Watson, Principal Transportation Planner, noted that bylaws call for the Rail Policy Committee to elect a Chair and Vice Chair in February of every even year. The Committee elected Kimbley Craig as Chair and Bruce Delgado as Vice Chair in February 2018 for 2018-20. As Chair Craig left office in December 2018, the Committee must elect a new Chair for the remainder of her term, which ends in February 2020.

M/S/C Smith/Stratton/unanimous
Committee Member Smith made a motion, seconded by Committee Alternate Stratton, to nominate Mike LeBarre to finish the term as Rail Policy Committee Chair.

5. **COAST CORRIDOR RAIL PROJECT UPDATE**
The Committee received an update on the planned increase in passenger rail service along the coast corridor between San Francisco and Los Angeles and recommended the TAMC Board appoint representatives to the Coast Rail Coordinating Council Policy Committee.

Christina Watson, Principal Transportation Planner, reported that progress since the last update on the coast rail project to this Committee on November 5, 2018, includes a meeting of the Coast Rail Coordinating Council (CRCC) Policy Committee on December 13, 2018. At that meeting, the CRCC voted to increase the annual dues, adopted bylaws, approved publishing a request for qualifications for legislative assistance, and approved applying for state rail assistance funding for planning work, a temporary platform in King City, and technological assistance. The next meeting is scheduled for February 15, 2019, in Santa Barbara. In conclusion, Ms. Watson noted that the Rail Policy Committee is now asked to recommend appointments to the CRCC Policy Committee for the period ending January 2020. She noted that the appointments involve attending up to four meetings of the
Committee and potentially representing the group at legislative days with the Intercity Passenger Rail group and the California Passenger Rail Summit.

**M/S/C** Delgado/Smith/unanimous

Vice Chair Delgado made a motion, seconded by Committee Member Smith, to nominate Dave Potter as the TAMC representative and Mike LeBarre as the alternate TAMC representative to the CRCC.

6. **SALINAS RAIL KICK START PROJECT UPDATE**

The Committee received update on the Salinas Rail Kick Start project.

Christina Watson, Principal Transportation Planner, reported that the activities on the Salinas Rail Kick Start project since the last update on November 5, 2018, include completion of structure demolition, meetings on utility relocation, approval of the Caltrans encroachment permit, and approval of construction funding for Package 1. Laurie Williamson, Senior Engineer, reported that construction bid documents were published in December with a bid opening date of February 13, 2019, and an anticipated contract award timeframe of March-April 2019. Ms. Watson reported on service planning meetings with partner agencies for near-term Caltrain service to Salinas and the potential impacts to the long-term project service scenario of the High-Speed Rail authority’s plans for the Gilroy station. In conclusion, Ms. Watson noted that TAMC published a request for proposals for a network integration study with a deadline of February 7, 2019.

Member of Public:
Brad Tarp, Salinas resident, requested an update on the right-of way acquisition for the project. Mike Zeller noted that TAMC is seeking permission from all Package 2 parcel owners to initiate surveys, which are required to perform property appraisals.

Committee Alternate Stratton asked about the capacity analysis requirements from Union Pacific. Christina Watson noted that the Union Pacific-owned Coast mainline is not heavily used today, but that Union Pacific requires these analyses to be updated prior to service initiation. Director Hale clarified that the “capacity” in question refers to the number of trains that the rail line can accommodate, rather than the number of passengers estimated to ride the new service.

7. **ANNOUNCEMENTS AND/OR COMMENTS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

Christina Watson announced that TAMC is going paperless in 2019 and if you would like future paper agendas please contact TAMC staff.

8. **ADJOURN**

Chair LeBarre adjourned the meeting at 3:35 p.m.
RECOMMENDED ACTION:
RECEIVE update on the Salinas Rail Kick Start project.

SUMMARY:
Activities on the Salinas Rail Kick Start project since the last update on January 7, 2019 include progress toward construction of Package 1 (improvements at the Salinas Station), progress toward acquisition of properties for Package 2 (the Salinas layover facility and track connections) and discussions related to operations scenarios.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:
The capital cost of the Monterey County Rail Extension project, Phase 1, Salinas Kick Start project (the Salinas station and improvements in Santa Clara County), is estimated at $81 million. The Kick Start project is proceeding with secured state funding under the adopted state environmental clearance.

DISCUSSION:
The Monterey County Rail Extension Project extends passenger rail service from Santa Clara County south to Salinas. TAMC is pursuing a phased implementation of the Project. Phase 1, known as the Kick Start Project, includes Salinas train station circulation improvements, a train layover facility in Salinas, and track improvements at the Gilroy station and between Salinas and Gilroy. The Kick Start Project is fully funded with $81 million in state funding, and is proceeding with construction of Package 1, improvements at the Salinas train station. The layover facility and track improvements are ready for final design, pending comments from Union Pacific Railroad.

Package 1: Salinas Station Improvements
TAMC and Salinas staff continue to meet regularly to coordinate on utility relocation and permits needed to proceed with construction of Package 1, improvements to the Salinas Station area. The
City's storm drain and sanitary sewer project has encountered some conflicts with existing utilities and is now delayed by at least two weeks. In addition, utilities installed by the City to move the California Welcome Center into the old freight building are inconsistent with already approved designs to relocate CalWater lines for the rail project. TAMC is working with the City to resolve the utility conflicts and minimize additional delays.

The Salinas planning department provided comments on TAMC's encroachment and grading/drainage permits, and the plans were revised accordingly and resubmitted to the City in February. Due to lengthy responses to potential bidders' Requests for Information and changes to the plans resulting from those requests and the City's planning department comments, as well as delays from the changes to the City's sanitary sewer project, staff extended the deadline for questions and the bid opening by one month. The question deadline is now March 4 and the bid opening is now March 13.

TAMC and City staff are working with PG&E, AT&T and Comcast regarding relocation of their gas line and cables into the new Lincoln Avenue Extension, with the goal of avoiding further delays to the overall roadway project construction.

**Package 2: Layover Facility and Track Connections**

TAMC has engaged consultants to assist with the acquisition of property for Package 2, the layover facility and track connections to the station. ARWS was hired as the acquisition agent, and Meyers Nave was retained to provide oversight to ensure compliance with applicable state and federal laws and regulations. Geocon was selected to perform a Phase II Environmental Site Assessment and HDR Engineering was chosen to do a boundary survey to confirm the limits of the proposed acquisition of property for Package 2. Most of the land acquisitions for Package 2 are anticipated to be partial acquisitions, which require plat and legal descriptions. The boundary surveys and environmental site assessment are scheduled to occur in February. Once that work is complete, the appraisal process can begin, and once the appraisals and review appraisals are complete, TAMC can make offers to the property owners.

**Operations Scenarios and Regional Negotiations**

In January and February, staff met with Caltrain regarding their business plan development and to discuss rail operations to Salinas, attended the Northern California Megaregion Group, participated in the Silicon Valley regional rail working group, and met with the California State Transportation Agency to discuss Salinas rail extension operations scenarios.

Next steps in the near-term operations negotiations is to discuss the proposed schedule with Union Pacific Railroad regarding track rights and in order to enable the railroad to review the 75% design plans for Package 2 (Salinas layover facility) and Package 3 (Gilroy station and track improvements).

TAMC staff also attended meetings of the California High-Speed Rail Technical Working Group for Gilroy and Morgan Hill. Governor Newsom announced his intention to complete the portion of the High Speed Rail project in the Central Valley (Bakersfield to Merced) and the sections at the "bookends" known as "blended services" (Caltrain in the San Francisco Bay Area and Metrolink in Southern California). He also committed to improving project controls and oversight and completing
the environmental work now underway. Staff will stay tuned as to how any change of direction may affect the TAMC rail projects.

Staff will provide a verbal update on all activities at the meeting.
Memorandum

To: Rail Policy Committee
From: Christina Watson, Principal Transportation Planner
Meeting Date: March 4, 2019
Subject: Coast Corridor Rail Project Update

RECOMMENDED ACTION:
RECEIVE update on the planned increase in passenger rail service along the coast corridor between San Francisco and Los Angeles.

SUMMARY:
Progress since the last update on the coast rail project to this Committee in January includes a meeting of the Coast Rail Coordinating Council working group and submittal of two applications for State Rail Assistance funding.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:
The Coast Rail service project construction and operation costs are still under evaluation.

DISCUSSION:
The Coast Rail Coordinating Council is a multi-agency advisory and planning organization focused on improving the rail corridor between Los Angeles and the San Francisco bay area along the California Central Coast. Members of Council include all regional transportation planning agencies along the Central Coast – all of which have a strong interest in improving rail service and the rail infrastructure along the Central Coast’s portion of the California Coast Passenger Rail Corridor.

The Policy Committee is scheduled to meet in Santa Barbara in March. Staff to the member agencies convene regular technical working group phone calls.

In February, our region submitted two State Rail Assistance grant applications. The San Luis Obispo Council of Governments was the lead on submitting an application for $800,000 in State Rail Assistance funds to develop a Coast Rail Corridor Service Implementation Plan and to acquire the license and training for rail modeling software.
The City of King was the lead in submitting a State Rail Assistance application for the planning and design, including support for negotiations with Union Pacific Railroad, of a temporary train platform to be served by the Amtrak Coast Starlight and/or the planned future additional through-train. Attached is the staff report on the grant proposal from the February 12, 2019 City Council meeting.

Staff will provide a verbal update at the meeting.

ATTACHMENTS:

- City of King City Council report - SRA application
REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL

DATE: FEBRUARY 12, 2019

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS

FROM: DOREEN LIBERTO, AICP, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR, OCTAVIO HURTADO, CITY ENGINEER

RE: CONSIDERATION OF STATE RAIL ASSISTANCE (SRA) GRANT APPLICATION

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council adopt the attached Resolutions, which authorize submittal of a State Rail Assistance (SRA) grant application, require compliance with SRA Regulations and authorize the City Manager to be the Authorized Agent for the SRA grant.

BACKGROUND:

Since approximately 2006, the City has been actively developing a project to construct a multi-modal transit center (MMTC) on land adjacent to the rail corridor along First Street between Pearl Street and Broadway Street. The King Station passenger service platform was identified in the 2018 California State Rail Plan in the 2022 scenario as: "Make early investment in additional local stops on the Coast Route in Soledad and King City, for immediate use by the long-distance Coast Starlight and longer-term use by intercity trains between Goleta and Gilroy". As a way to fast-track this project, State Rail Assistance (SRA) funding can be used to design and construct a temporary platform to enable the Coast Starlight to serve residents of King City, personnel of Fort Hunter-Liggett, visitors to the Pinnacles National Park and residents of neighboring rural, low-income communities along this rail corridor. Since there are several steps needed to make this project feasible, staff recommends the SRA grant request include funding for pre-construction items before requesting funds for a platform.

DISCUSSION:

SB 1 created the State Rail Assistance (SRA) Program by directing a portion of new revenue specifically to rail and commuter rail. The City has an opportunity to submit an SRA Grant by February 15, 2019 to provide funding for pre-construction tasks prior to installation of a temporary or permanent platform. The grant request is supported by Transportation Agency of Monterey County (TAMC) and San Luis Obispo Council of Governments (SLOCOG) staff.
The break-down of Pre-Construction tasks, costs and schedule for this project are:

1. Right of Way Support, Negotiate Project Description and Access Agreement with Union Pacific.
   - Working on Phased Temporary Circulation from Jayne Street to Chestnut Street/Broadway Street

2. Project Approval and Environmental Determination.

3. Plans Specification and Estimated Costs (Temporary Structure, Pearl Street Closure and Broadway Street crossing)

4. Contingencies

**Project Total Cost:** $2,357,500

The attached Resolutions authorize the City to submit the SRA Grant application, comply with SRA Regulations, and designates the City Manager to be the Authorized Agent.

**ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION:**

The submittal of the SRA Grant has no potential for resulting in either a direct or indirect adverse physical change in the environment and is not a “project” under CEQA Guidelines 15378. Environmental review would be conducted as part of the planning process for the project if the grant is approved. Therefore, no further review is required by CEQA.

**COST ANALYSIS:**

There are no anticipated fiscal impacts from the recommended action. Staff is not recommending any matching funds be proposed for the grant application.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

The following alternatives are provided for City Council consideration:

1. Adopt the Resolutions;
2. Direct staff to make modifications to the Resolutions and reintroduce them at a Special Meeting before the February 15, 2019 SRA Submittal Deadline;
3. Do not adopt the Resolutions; or
4. Provide other direction to staff.
CITY COUNCIL
CONSIDERATION OF STATE RAIL ASSISTANCE (SRA) GRANT APPLICATION
FEBRUARY 12, 2019
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Exhibits:

Exhibit 1: Resolution No. 2019-4688
Exhibit 2: Resolution No. 2019-4689

Submitted by: Doreen Liberto, AICP, Community Development Director

Approved by: Steven Adams, City Manager
RESOLUTION NO. 2019-4688

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KING, CALIFORNIA, AGREEING TO COMPLY WITH ALL STATUTES, REGULATIONS AND GUIDELINES FOR RECEIVING STATE RAIL ASSISTANCE GRANT FUNDING AND AUTHORIZING STEVEN ADAMS, CITY MANAGER, TO EXECUTE THE CERTIFICATIONS AND ASSURANCES AND AUTHORIZED AGENT FORMS FOR STATE RAIL ASSISTANCE GRANT FUNDING

WHEREAS, the City of King is an eligible project sponsor and may receive state funding from State Rail Assistance (SRA) for transit projects; and

WHEREAS, the statutes related to state-funded transit projects require a local or regional implementing agency to abide by various regulations; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 1 (2017) named the California State Transportation Agency (CalSTA) as the administrative agency for the SRA; and

WHEREAS, CalSTA has developed guidelines for the purpose of administering and distributing SRA funds to eligible project sponsors (Agencies identified as eligible recipients of these funds); and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of King wishes to delegate the authority to execute documents and any amendments relating to SRA grant funding thereto to Steven Adams, City Manager.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of King as follows:

Section 1. The City of King as a fund recipient agrees to comply with all conditions and requirements set forth in the Certification and Assurances (attached hereto as Exhibit A), the Authorized Agent documents (attached hereto as Exhibit B), and applicable statutes, regulations and guidelines for all SRA funded transit projects.

Section 2. Steven Adams City Manager of the City of King is hereby authorized to execute all required documents of the SRA program and any Amendments thereto with the California Transportation Agency.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing resolution was passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of King at a regular meeting thereof held on the 12th day of February 2019, by the following vote:

AYES: ____________________________
NOES: ____________________________
ABSTAIN: _________________________
ABSENT: _________________________

ATTEST

STEVEN ADAMS, City Clerk

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CITY OF KING

By: ____________________________
    MIKE LEBARRE, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

By: ____________________________
    ROY C. SANTOS, City Attorney
    Aleshire & Wynder, LLP

I, ____________________________, City Clerk of the City of King, California, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and accurate copy of the Resolution passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of King on the date and by the vote indicated herein.
RESOLUTION NO. 2019-4689

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF KING, CALIFORNIA, AGREEING TO COMPLY WITH ALL STATUTES, REGULATIONS AND GUIDELINES FOR RECEIVING STATE RAIL ASSISTANCE GRANT FUNDING AND AUTHORIZATION FOR THE EXECUTION OF THE STATE RAIL ASSISTANCE (SRA) PROJECT (KING CITY TEMPORARY PASSENGER PLATFORM $2,357,500

WHEREAS, the City of King is an eligible project sponsor and may receive state funding from State Rail Assistance (SRA) for transit projects; and

WHEREAS, the statutes related to state-funded transit projects require a local or regional implementing agency to abide by various regulations; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 1 (2017) named the California State Transportation Agency (CalSTA) as the administrative agency for the SRA; and

WHEREAS, CalSTA has developed guidelines for the purpose of administering and distributing SRA funds to eligible project sponsors (Agencies identified as eligible recipients of these funds); and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of King wishes to implement the SRA project listed above.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of King as follows:

Section 1. The City of King as a fund recipient agrees to comply with all conditions and requirements set forth in the Certification and Assurances (attached hereto as Exhibit A) set forth in the applicable statutes, regulations and guidelines for all SRA funded transit projects.

Section 2. The City of King hereby authorizes the submittal of the following project nomination and allocation request to CalSTA in FY 2017-188 SRA funds:

Project Name: King City Temporary Passenger Platform
Amount of SRA Funds Request: $2,357,500
Description of Project: Conduct Pre-Construction work for a Temporary Rail Platform.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing resolution was passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of King at a regular meeting thereof held on the 12th day of February 2019, by the following vote:

AYES: ________________________________
NOES: ________________________________
ABSTAIN: ________________________________
ABSENT: ________________________________

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CITY OF KING

By: ___________________________

MIKE LEBARRE, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

By: ___________________________

ROY C. SANTOS, City Attorney
Aleshire & Wynder, LLP

I, ___________________________, City Clerk of the City of King, California, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and accurate copy of the Resolution passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of King on the date and by the vote indicated herein.
RECOMMENDED ACTION:
RECEIVE update on the Monterey Bay Area Rail Network Integration Study.

SUMMARY:
TAMC published a request for proposals on December 5, 2018, to select a firm to perform a Monterey Bay Area Network Integration Study. The study will lay the groundwork for implementing the State Rail Plan in the Monterey Bay Area by determining the optimal options for: rail connectivity and operations, equipment needs, governance, and community benefits for service between Monterey County and Santa Clara County, Monterey and Santa Cruz, and the Coast Rail Corridor. This study will also assist TAMC by providing the data needed to prepare grant applications for funding new stations at Pajaro/Watsonville, Castroville, Soledad and King City. A selection committee reviewed three proposals and will make a recommendation to the TAMC Board.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:
On October 18, 2018, the California Transportation Commission allocated $500,000 via a state Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program grant to TAMC for this study. TAMC estimates that staff time associated with this project will account for $150,000 and estimates the contract budget cost at $350,000.

DISCUSSION:
TAMC is seeking a consultant team that is qualified to perform a regional Monterey Bay Area Network Integration Study ("Study") to support multiple goals at the state and regional level. The consultant team should have expertise in working with commuter, intercity, and freight railroad operators and should be creative in suggesting ideas for implementing bold new vision in keeping with the 2018 California State Rail Plan. TAMC is open to considering approaches not yet evaluated for rail service on the Central Coast.
The schedule for this Request for Proposals is as follows:

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<td>November 21, 2018</td>
<td>Issue Notice of Intent to publish Request for Proposals</td>
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<td>December 6, 2018</td>
<td>Distribute RFP</td>
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<td>Pre-proposal conference at TAMC, 10:00 am PST</td>
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<td>Deadline for questions and/or requests for clarification or exceptions by 12:00 pm noon PST</td>
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<td>Select top ranked consultant, negotiate contract</td>
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<td>March 27, 2018</td>
<td>Bring contract to TAMC Board for approval</td>
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This project is anticipated to take approximately two (2) years to complete, starting in Spring 2019 and finishing by June 30, 2021. Staff will provide information on the consultant recommendations at the Committee meeting.

Staff was also a panelist at the California Transportation Planning Conference in San Diego on February 26, and presented on the various rail projects underway in the Monterey Bay Area.

Staff will provide a verbal update at the meeting.
Memorandum

To: Rail Policy Committee
From: Christina Watson, Principal Transportation Planner
Meeting Date: March 4, 2019
Subject: Correspondence

RECOMMENDED ACTION:
RECEIVE correspondence attached online.

WEB ATTACHMENTS:
- February 15, 2019 letter to Ray Corpuz, City Manager, City of Salinas, re: Salinas Intermodal Transportation Center: Utility Relocation Delays
Memorandum

To: Rail Policy Committee
From: Christina Watson, Principal Transportation Planner
Meeting Date: March 4, 2019
Subject: Reports

RECOMMENDED ACTION:
RECEIVE reports attached online.

WEB ATTACHMENTS:
- Caltrain 2040 Business Plan: Gilroy Station Fact Sheet
Memorandum

To: Rail Policy Committee
From: Christina Watson, Principal Transportation Planner
Meeting Date: March 4, 2019
Subject: Media Clippings

RECOMMENDED ACTION:
RECEIVE media clippings attached online.

WEB ATTACHMENTS:
- February 12, 2019 article in StreetsBlogCal, "Newsom says High-Speed Rail serving the Central Valley is not a "train to nowhere""
- February 13, 2019 article in Progressive Railroading, "California Gov. Newsom puts the brakes on LA-to-San Francisco rail line"