



**DATE:** March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021  
**TO:** Southwest Chief & Front Range Passenger Rail Commission  
**FROM:** Spencer Dodge, Southwest Chief & Front Range Passenger Rail Commission Liaison  
**SUBJECT:** February 25<sup>th</sup> - March 24<sup>th</sup> Staff Report

#### **Key Southwest Chief & Front Range Passenger Rail Commission Staff Activities**

- Finalize and distribute January 22<sup>nd</sup> draft minutes and February 26<sup>th</sup> Rail Commission meeting agenda packet
- Finalize and distribute February 25<sup>th</sup> draft minutes and March 26<sup>th</sup> rail commission meeting agenda packet
- Develop and Finalize materials for Corridor Coalition meeting
- Convene Corridor Coalition
- Public Involvement presentations to: ColoRail board meeting, Aurora Chamber of Commerce, Metro Mayors' Caucus, PPACG TAC, Cheyenne MPO Policy Committee,
- Additional edits made to 8-page "leave behind" brochure document
- Participated in meetings related to formation of a federally designated regional Rail Commission
- Updated PDQ for Commission Liaison position
- FRA Monthly Coordination on CRISI Grants
- Meeting with RTD staff and others to discuss RTD collaboration
- Website updates including Alternatives Analysis
- Distributed Alternatives Analysis to contact database (~6,000 recipients)
- Through Car Alternatives Analysis administrative tasks

#### **Key CDOT/Rail Commission Staff Activities**

- Through Car Study - Executed Master Contract with AECOM, Working on task order and finalizing SOW.
- Corridor Coalition-All aspects of meeting production and delivery: Format, Logistics, content, notification, notes
- Brief FRA about P&N approach and transition from long term vision to examining clearly defined first steps

#### **Upcoming meetings/public involvement events**

- April 6<sup>th</sup> - Commuting Solutions Public Involvement Presentation
- April 12<sup>th</sup> - FRA Coordination
- April 23<sup>rd</sup> - Rail Commission Meeting

## SW Chief & Front Range Passenger Rail Commission Financial Report

As of March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021

### Income

Senate Bill 1, July 2018	\$2,500,000
Additional FY 2021 Legislative appropriation eligible to be spent in FY 21.	<u>\$ 100,000</u>
	\$2,600,000

### Expenses (commitments)

2 years of Salaries/Benefits for Project Dir. and Comm. Liaison (est.)	\$ 500,000
HDR Contract for Alternatives Analysis/ Stakeholder Engagement/ Pre-NEPA	\$1,500,000
Pledged Match for 2018 CRISI grant for PTC	\$ 100,000
WSP contract to write 2019 CRISI App. for Thru-car Study	\$ 24,465
October 2019 "Survey for Front Range Passenger Rail"	\$ 24,500
Pledged Match for Potential 2019 CRISI Grant App. (Thru Car Study)	\$ 159,000
Membership to "States for Passenger Rail Coalition" (2020)	\$ 5,416
Membership to "States for Passenger Rail Coalition" (2021)	\$ 5,000
Pledged Match for 2020 CRISI Grant application (RTC modeling & complete SDP)	\$ 25,000
Proposed funds for licenses for Project website and Project database mgmt. from HDR	<u>\$ 651</u> (estimated)
	<b>\$2,344,032</b>
<b>Available</b>	<b>\$255,968</b>

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### Update on HDR Contract (\$1,500,000) HDR Team work effort has been completed.

Invoiced through October 24, 2020	\$1,408,426.69
Remaining <b>\$91,5733.31</b> to be invoiced.	

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Estimated CDOT staff dollar commitment through January, 2021	\$ 478,347
Amount remaining of \$750,000 committed by CDOT	\$ 271,653