

Colorado Transportation Investment Office Memorandum

To: Colorado Transportation Investment Office Board of Directors

From: Piper Darlington, Director

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Subject: Update From the Front Range Passenger Rail District and Progress Toward Implementation of Joint Service under SB 24-184

Purpose:

To receive a progress report from the Front Range Passenger Rail District (FRPRD), and an update on a "Joint Service" Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) between CDOT, the Clean Transit Enterprise (CTE), the Colorado Transportation Investment Office (CTIO), the Regional Transportation District (RTD), the FRPRD, and the Governor's Office.

Requested Action:

No action is requested this month. The purpose of the briefing is informational only.

Background:

SB 24-184 directed CDOT, RTD, and the FRPRD to use each of their authorities to develop a governance structure for implementation of an initial phase of Front Range Passenger Rail, known as "Joint Service," from Denver Union Station up the Northwest Corridor to Boulder and continuing to Fort Collins. After much discussion, the principals of those agencies, along with CTE and CTIO, determined the governance structure should be in the form of an Inter-Governmental Agreement (IGA), and are getting close to a final version of the IGA to bring to each respective board for review.

Next Steps:

As the representatives of each principal agency finalize work on an IGA over the next several weeks, it is anticipated that the TC, CTE, CTIO, and FRPRD will bring the IGA to their boards for a vote to approve the IGA in June, with RTD expected to follow suit with their board in July.

Attachments:

Attachment A: Front Range Passenger Rail District Update

Attachment B: Joint Service IGA Presentation and Fact Sheet