



California High-Speed Rail
BRIEFING: June 29, 2023, Board Meeting
Agenda Item: #5

TO: Chairman Richards and Board Members

FROM: Bruce W. Armistead, Chief of Rail and Operations Delivery/ Melissa Figueroa, Chief of Strategic Communications

DATE: June 29, 2023

RE: Informational Briefing Trainset Interiors

Summary

As part of a wholistic approach to trainset design, the Authority in coordination with the Early Train Operator (ETO) has begun the process of stakeholder outreach and fact finding which will lead to a more comprehensive set of criteria for future trainset procurement. The purpose of this briefing is to update the Board of Directors on the planned approach for the design of trainset interiors, including outreach efforts and the anticipated schedule.

Background

As part of trainset procurement, the Authority will have to determine the interior layout of the trains, including, but not limited to, seats per train, safety and ADA requirements, passenger amenities, color and design, human health and environmental quality of materials, and other details required during the upcoming Trainset procurement. The Authority is using the Early Train Operator (ETO) contract to advise on this effort and help conduct stakeholder outreach and coordination, in addition the ETO is tasked with creating mockups for the public of possible train design layouts.

Discussion

The Authority has directed the ETO to assist in developing materials, outreach opportunities and partnerships related to the interior design of the train. Outreach and collaborative dialogue is ongoing statewide for the purposes of gaining meaningful community input (from organizations including but not limited to multilingual communities, ADA, public safety and health experts), informing the public on progress and promoting the trainset component of the high-speed rail project. Community and stakeholder engagement is essential to ensure an equitable design that is safe, reliable, sustainable and iconic to the State of California. This work ensures alignment of the design vision with the proposed interior design functional and technical requirements that will be integrated into the RFP for

the procurement of California's high-speed rail trainsets. Over the course of the next year, the Authority and the ETO will work to gain public feedback, create renderings, preliminary mockups and final high-fidelity mockups of the future trainset interiors for California High-Speed Rail. At the conclusion of the work, the ETO is tasked with providing the Authority with specifications that will be included in the RFP for trainset procurement as well as a high-fidelity mockup that will be unveiled to the public.

Discussion

This information item provides an update to the Board on the High-Speed Rail Authority's progress on designing trainset interiors.

Legal Approval

The Legal Office has reviewed, and this item complies with Authority policy.

Budget and Fiscal Impact

This is an informational item, and by itself, does not have a budget or fiscal impact.

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Recommendations

This item is informational only, and there are no recommended actions at this time.

Attachments

PowerPoint Presentation