



CALIFORNIA HIGH-SPEED RAIL RESOLUTION #HSRA 26-03

Approval to Release Invitations for Bids and Award Contracts for the Purchase of Materials

Whereas, the California High-Speed Rail Authority (Authority) is responsible for planning, constructing, and operating an intercity high-speed passenger train network that is fully integrated with the state's existing intercity transportation services (Public Utilities Code sections 185030 and 185031);

Whereas, the Authority may enter into contracts with private and public entities for the design, construction and operation of high-speed rail trains including all tasks and segments thereof pursuant to Public Utilities Code section 185036(a);

Whereas, the procurement of long-lead materials is essential to completion of and delivery of the project and high-speed rail system;

Whereas, the Board accepted an updated Total Expenditure Authorization at the January 18, 2024, meeting that includes costs for goods and materials necessary for construction of the track and systems for the 171-mile Early Operating Segment in the Central Valley; and

Whereas, the Board of Directors accepted advancing procurement for long welded rail, concrete ties, OCS poles, OCS system components, fiber optic cable, and ballast with the release of the Invitations for Bids at the August 28, 2025, meeting.

Whereas, the previously approved budget for procurement of material commodities, including rail, concrete ties, OCS poles, OCS system components, fiber optic cable, and ballast was \$507,100,000.

Whereas, staff now recommends advancing an additional procurement for cable troughs with the release of the Invitation for Bids.

Therefore, it is resolved:

- (1) The Chief Executive Officer (CEO), or designee of the CEO, is hereby authorized to issue Invitations for Bids (IFBs) to obtain bids for cable troughs necessary to complete the Early Operating Segment and issue such IFB as soon as is practical, with no change required to the previously approved budget of \$507,100,000 for NTP 1.
 - a. The CEO, or designee of the CEO, is hereby authorized to execute and award a contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, provided that the value for the lowest responsive bid does not require a change to the previously approved overall material commodities budget of \$507,100,000 for NTP 1, and provided further that if the value of the cable trough contract to be awarded exceeds \$25 million, it will be brought back to the Board for approval.

(2) Staff is hereby authorized to finalize the procurement and contractual documents prior to beginning the solicitation processes and to make appropriate, non-substantive modifications thereto as part of the procurement processes, including determining appropriate small business goals, if any, per contract which may differ from the Authority's Small Business Program.

Vote: 9-0

Yes: Schenk, Richards, Camacho, Miller, Perea, Escutia, Williams, Worthe, Cohen

No: N/A

Absent: N/A

Date: March 4, 2026

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