



# STAFF REPORT

**To:** Front Range Rail District

**Date:** Wednesday, May 25, 2022

**Subject:** April 20<sup>th</sup> – May 25<sup>th</sup> Staff and Financial Report

## KEY STAFF ACTIVITIES

### Rail District Administration

- Finalize and distribute April 22<sup>nd</sup> draft rail commission meeting minutes and May 27<sup>th</sup> Rail District meeting agenda packet
- Invoice Processing
- FRA Grant Reporting
- Rail District meeting
- Coordinate with appropriate CDOT staff to monitor state legislative impacts
- La Junta Route Restoration Program administration

### Rail Commission Transition

- Coordination with appointed District Board members for onboarding
- Facilitator Procurement and Kickoff
- Financial transition administration

### Public Involvement/Stakeholder Engagement

- Coordination on various efforts with Pueblo, Colorado Springs, LinkNoCo, Amtrak, BNSF and RTD
- FRA Coordination on grants, IIJA, and other items
- Amtrak coordination on studies, IIJA, and planning
- CRISI Grants: matching funds procurement processes
- Front Range Passenger Rail Website updates
- Thru-Car Alternatives Analysis Stakeholder Engagement Planning

### Key CDOT/Rail Commission Staff Activities

#### Through Car Feasibility Study

- Coordination with Local Agency Station Area Planning Facilitator Procurement and Kickoff
- Grant Administration & Contract Management
- Alternatives Development based on BNSF, UPRR and Amtrak feedback

#### Preliminary Service Development Plan & Alternatives Analysis

- Consultant Selection and Contract Negotiation
- Obtain FRA Grant Award
- Data gathering on existing environmental conditions
- Collaborate with RTD on interoperability with NWR Peak Service

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

As of May 25<sup>th</sup>, 2022

**Income**

SB 18-01, July 2018	\$2,500,000
SB 21-260, February 2022	\$14,500,000
SB 22-176, July 2022	\$1,900,000

**Expenses**

Category	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	Total
Salary/Benefits	\$0	\$58,651	\$247,049	\$193,624	\$67,286	\$566,610
Operating Costs	\$0	\$930	\$392	\$0	\$125	\$1,447
Professional Services	\$13,095	\$3,980	\$1,135,891	\$368,209	\$108,455	\$1,629,631
<i>HDR</i>			\$1,087,281	\$362,793	\$50,534	
<i>WSP USA INC</i>	\$13,095	\$3,980	\$24,110	\$0	\$7,922	
<i>CDR</i>					\$24,999	
<i>PEAK Consulting</i>					\$24,999	
<i>Ridder Braden</i>			\$24,500			
<i>States for Passenger Rail Coalition</i>				\$5,416	\$7,500	
Grants	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$100,000	\$0	\$100,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$13,095</b>	<b>\$63,561</b>	<b>\$1,383,333</b>	<b>\$661,834</b>	<b>\$175,866</b>	<b>\$2,297,688</b>

Committed Expenses:

Pledged Match for Potential 2019 CRISI Grant App. (Thru Car Study)	\$159,000
Pledged Match for 2020 CRISI Grant application (Service Development Plan)	\$25,000
Pledged Match for 2021 RAISE Grant application	\$20,000
Pledged Additional Match for Service Development Plan	\$1,620,000
La Junta Route Restoration Program	\$12,000,000
	<b>\$13,831,500</b>
<b>Available</b>	<b>\$3,270,812</b>