

# Recommended Board Approval of Bus Bridge Contract

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Agenda Item #10



# 2023 Construction and Service Changes

- Caltrain must implement 31 weekend area shutdowns in 2023 to complete required testing and address top risks
  - Includes 4 weekends of full corridor shutdowns for end-to-end testing
- Benefits
  - Ensure Fall 2024 delivery of electrified service
  - Enhance safety by physically separating work and passenger service trains
  - Mitigate risk of overhead contact system construction delays due to low contractor productivity (top project risk)
  - Reduce Roadway Worker in Charge field resource need (top project risk)
  - Minimize impact to weekday passenger service

# Bus Bridge Needs and Request for Proposal

- Provide lifeline bus bridges for Caltrain-dependent riders during shutdowns
- Resource intensive effort
- Partner agencies unable to support Caltrain bus bridge needs for full 31 weekend shutdowns due to staffing constraints
- Single source RFP was recommended and issued in January 2023
- Staff developed evaluation criteria for proposal

# Compass Transportation

- Based in South San Francisco
- Wholly owned subsidiary of Transdev North America, a leading provider of commuter shuttle services in the San Francisco Bay Area since 1976
- Only firm that responded and confirmed capacity to support up to 31 weekend bus bridges in 2023
- Compass has sufficient experienced drivers and fuel-efficient shuttles
- Staff scored Compass proposal and performed reference checks

# Costs and Budget

- **Staff Independent Cost Estimate: \$2.06M**
  - Based on rate of \$188/hour
- **Compass Proposal: \$1.40M**
  - Agreed upon price of \$165/hour
- **Budget**
  - No contingency drawdown needed
  - No impact to overall project budget
- **Change Management Board Approved Staff Recommendation on January 23**

# Recommended Board Action

- Award a contract to Compass Transportation to provide Bus Bridge Services for the Caltrain Peninsula Corridor Electrification Project (PCEP) to support remaining construction activities during weekend shutdowns in 2023 for total amount of \$1,400,000
- Authorize the Executive Director, or designee, to execute the contract in a form approved by legal counsel and to take any other actions necessary to give effect to the resolution

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