

Recommended Board Approval of Bus Bridge Contract with VTA



VTA Bus Bridge Services for the Caltrain Peninsula Corridor Electrification Project (PCEP) 2023 Weekend Closures

2023 Construction and Service Changes

- Implement total of 31 partial weekend area shutdowns in 2023 to complete required testing and address top risks
- Benefits
 - Ensure Fall 2024 delivery of electrified service
 - Enhance safety by isolating construction work from passenger service
 - Mitigate risk of overhead contact system construction delays
 - Ensure on-time cutover completion for Segments 3 and 1
 - Minimize impact to weekday passenger service

Bus Bridge Support Services

- Partner agencies initially unable to support full 31 weekend shutdowns due to staffing constraints.
- Contract awarded to Compass Transportation in February 2023 to support majority of weekend bus bridges.
- Since February, staff conducted additional outreach to partner agencies for bus bridge support.
- VTA is able to provide support between Menlo Park and Santa Clara stations for the weekends of 4/22, 4/29, 5/6, and 5/13.

Costs and Budget for 4 Weekend Shutdowns

- Staff Independent Cost Estimate: \$308,880
- VTA Proposal: \$286,416
- Budget
 - No contingency drawdown needed
 - No impact to overall PCEP budget
- Change Management Board approval received March 23, 2023

Recommended Board Action

- Award a contract to Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) to provide Bus Bridge services for the Caltrain Peninsula Corridor Electrification Project (PCEP) to support construction activities during weekend shutdowns in April and May 2023 for total not-to-exceed amount of \$286,416.
- Authorize the Executive Director, or designee, to execute the agreement in a form approved by legal counsel and to take any other actions necessary to give effect to the resolution.

Q&A

- **Questions / Comments?**

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