

Resolution #TC-3168

Authorizing specified budget for certain projects in the Operational Improvements component of the Responsible Acceleration of Maintenance and Partnerships (RAMP) Program and Establishing Program Management for Partner Financial Participation.

Approved by the Transportation Commission on June 19, 2014

WHEREAS, pursuant to § 43-1-106(8)(a), C.R.S., the Colorado Transportation Commission (“Commission”) is charged with formulating general policy with respect to the management, construction, and maintenance of public highways and other transportation systems in the state; and

WHEREAS, Governor John Hickenlooper and Colorado Department of Transportation Executive Director Don Hunt announced on December 14, 2012, the Responsible Acceleration of Maintenance and Partnerships (RAMP) program; and

WHEREAS, the Colorado Department of Transportation determined that it was appropriate to develop selection procedures for Operational Improvement projects under the RAMP program to maximize system operations; and

WHEREAS, the Colorado Department of Transportation developed and followed a selection process for the Operational Improvement categories consisting of a systematic evaluation of the applications to determine merit and feasibility; and

WHEREAS, the Transportation Commissioners have considered the recommendation of the Colorado Department of Transportation on projects to include in the RAMP program and all other information that they have received; and

WHEREAS, per Resolution TC-3106 the Commission adopted the projects listed in the document titled “RAMP Partnership and Operations Projects – Preliminary Recommendations 10/16/2013” and authorized budget to begin project development;

WHEREAS, per Resolution TC-3149, that the Transportation Commission hereby adopts the list shown in the document titled “RAMP Operations Projects – Recommendations 3/20/2014” as contained in the official agenda and the document is incorporated by reference into this Resolution; and

WHEREAS, per Resolution TC-3149, that the Colorado Department of Transportation shall advise the Transportation Commission if a project shown in the document titled “RAMP Operations Projects – Recommendations 3/20/2014” is unable to be moved forward, and

WHEREAS, per Resolution TC-3149, that the Transportation Commission authorizes the Chief Financial Officer to budget, without additional Transportation Commission action, an amount not to exceed five percent of the total project cost for the project as shown on the “RAMP Operations Projects – Recommendations 3/20/2014” document for FY 2014 pre-construction expenditures on these projects; and

WHEREAS, per Resolution TC-3149, that the Transportation Commission requires for each project shown in the document titled “RAMP Operations Projects –

Recommendations 3/20/2014” on or before May 1, 2014, a project scope, schedule, and budget developed by the Colorado Department of Transportation in the form and to the level of detailed specified by the Chief Engineer for the advancement of the project; and

WHEREAS, the Department has completed further review and is recommending certain of these projects to begin budgeting funds; and

WHEREAS, the Transportation Commission established the Public-Public Partnership and the Public-Private Partnership components of the RAMP Program based on the financial participation of Local Agency Partners; and

WHEREAS, the actual cost of projects may vary from the estimated amount as previously authorized by the Transportation Commission and the Local Agency Partner has agreed that their financial contribution shall be reevaluated during project development at Final Office Review (FOR), which is a time when the estimated cost is recalculated; and

WHEREAS, the Transportation Commission considers that this financial commitment of the partners extends to additional cost so that this program maintains its intent of a partnership;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Chief Financial Officer is authorized to budget funds for the projects on the “RAMP Partnership and Operations Projects – Staff Recommendation List 6/20/2014” with non-substantive changes without further Commission consideration or approval; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chief Engineer and the Chief Financial Officer shall not advertise a RAMP Partnership project when the Final Office Review cost estimate is above the authorized amount without corresponding financial participation of the Local Agency Partner or without further Transportation Commission authorization; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that any cost variance discovered after the Final Office Review (FOR) will be the responsibility of CDOT on a project administered project by CDOT, and that the CDOT contribution will not increase after the Final Office Review on a project administered by the Local Agency Partner; and that any addition of a “betterment” at the request of the Local Agency Partner is the responsibility of the Local Agency Partner.

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Herman Stockinger, Secretary
Transportation Commission of Colorado

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Date