

Board of Directors

Meeting date: September 18, 2024

Agenda Item #: 12

Front Range Passenger Rail Update

Agenda item type: Informational briefing

Summary

An update on the current and upcoming activities regarding the Front Range Passenger Rail project.

Background

Since its inception in mid-2022, the <u>Front Range Passenger Rail District</u> (District) has been engaged in a series of internal organizational activities and planning, project development, and engagement efforts towards implementing passenger rail service from Fort Collins to Pueblo, with future connections to Wyoming and New Mexico. In particular the District is undertaking a federally required Service Development Plan for the rail corridor, and was awarded entry into the Federal Railroad Administration's Corridor Identification and Development Program.

Recent state legislation, including House Bill 24-1012, Senate Bill 24-184, and Senate Bill 24-230, together provide additional funding, coordination, opportunities, and requirements towards developing and implementing Front Range Passenger Rail service.

DRCOG has four representatives on the District Board. Other DRCOG Board members and local government officials represent other organizations/interests on the Front Range Passenger Rail District Board. The District Board is currently chaired by Chris Nevitt, one of DRCOG's four representatives (a former DRCOG Board member and current Transit Oriented Development Manager for the City and County of Denver).

District staff will provide an overview of the Front Range Passenger Rail District Board's current and upcoming planning activities at the September RTC/Board meeting. This update is required by the District's enabling legislation, Senate Bill 21-238.

Action by others

None

Previous discussion/action

February 21, 2024 – Appointments to the Front Range Passenger Rail District Board

Recommendation

None





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Attachment

Front Range Passenger Rail District Board presentation

For more information

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