



FTA Funding Application

Agenda item # 6

March 10, 2021



Tri-Valley San Joaquin Valley
REGIONAL RAIL AUTHORITY



Overview of Key Legal Requirements

- **Action Items for Today:**
 - Resolution authorizing Executive Director to apply for, receive and manage FTA funds (Agenda item 6)
 - Drug & Alcohol Policy (Agenda item 7)
 - Title VI Program (Agenda item 8)
- **Future Items: Informational Updates Today** (Agenda item 9)
 - Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program
 - Equal Employment Opportunity Policy Transit Asset Management Plan
 - Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan
 - Cyber Security Policy for rail alternative
 - Rail Safety Training and Oversight
- **Next Month/April 14:**
 - Approval of Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program
 - Informational updates on FTA financial + technical requirements

FTA Funding Application

- To apply for/receive federal funding, applicants must meet FTA's Certifications and Assurances and sign a Master Agreement
- Applicants/grantees must comply with numerous federal requirements
- Valley Link has already adopted a number of FTA-compliant policies, including its procurement policy
- Additional legal, technical and financial requirements that must be satisfied now plus others which may apply in the future

Board Action Requested – Agenda Item #6

- Board approve Resolution R02-2021 that would authorize the Executive Director to:
 - ✓ File applications with the FTA;
 - ✓ Execute certifications, assurances, and grant agreements;
 - ✓ Take other such actions as necessary to secure and manage federal financial assistance
- The action is cost neutral and will allow staff to pursue federal funding