



October 9, 2025

To: Transit Committee

From: Darrell E. Johnson, Chief Executive Officer

Subject: Agreement for the Construction of the Inland Slope Rehabilitation Phase II Project

Overview

The Orange County Transportation Authority's Board of Directors approved the construction of the Inland Slope Rehabilitation Phase II Project as part of the Orange County Transportation Authority's Fiscal Year 2025-26 Budget. Bids were received in accordance with the Orange County Transportation Authority's procurement policies and procedures for public works projects. Board of Directors' approval is requested to execute the construction agreement.

Recommendation

Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Agreement No. C-4-2666 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and Bosco Constructors, Inc., the lowest responsive, responsible bidder, in the amount of \$4,450,000, for construction of the Inland Slope Rehabilitation Phase II Project.

Discussion

The Orange County Transportation Authority, (OCTA) has secured state SB 1 (Chapter 5, Statutes of 2017) – Local Partnership Program Formula (SB 1 LPP) funds, matched with local Measure M2 (M2) funds to repair erosion and perform preventative maintenance to avoid slope failures on the railroad right-of-way. Field investigations conducted jointly with the Southern California Regional Rail Authority (SCRRA) identified six sites in the cities of Laguna Niguel, Lake Forest, and Mission Viejo requiring stabilization. These locations consist of steep embankments, ranging from 200 to 700 linear feet in length, that if left unaddressed could undermine the track bed and/or deposit debris onto the tracks, potentially disrupting rail operations.

A geotechnical evaluation was completed in July 2022 with site-specific mitigation recommendations, including grading, shotcrete lining, and open channel culverts. Final design plans and specifications for the Inland Slope Rehabilitation Phase II Project (Project) were completed in April 2025 and are now ready to be implemented. OCTA will lead the construction for all six site locations. Construction is anticipated to begin in January 2026 and be completed within six months. Work will be coordinated closely with SCRRA to minimize rail service impacts, especially during the rainy season when slope stability risks increase.

Procurement Approach

This procurement was handled in accordance with OCTA's Board of Directors-approved procedures for public works projects. These procedures, which conform to state requirements, require contracts to be awarded to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder after a sealed bidding process.

Invitation for Bids (IFB) 4-2666 was released on July 14, 2025, through OCTA's CAMM NET system. The bid was advertised on July 14 and July 21, 2025, in a newspaper of general circulation. A pre-bid conference was held on July 31, 2025, and was attended by five firms. Two addenda were issued to provide the pre-bid conference registration sheets and handle administrative issues related to the IFB. On August 18, 2025, two bids were received and publicly opened.

All bids were reviewed by staff from the Contracts Administration and Materials Management and Rail Programs departments to ensure compliance with the contract terms and conditions and technical specifications. The two bidders and bid amounts is presented below:

Firm and Location	Bid Amount
Bosco Constructors, Inc. Chatsworth, California	\$4,450,000
Legion Contractors, Inc. Los Angeles, California	\$5,836,000

The OCTA engineer's estimate for this Project was \$5,048,104. The recommended firm's bid is 11.85 percent below the engineer's estimate and is considered by staff to be fair and reasonable.

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State law requires award to the lowest responsive, responsible bidder. As such, state law recommends award to Bosco Constructors, Inc., the lowest responsive, responsible bidder, in the amount of \$4,450,000, for construction of the Project.

Fiscal Impact

The Project is included in OCTA's Fiscal Year 2025-26 Budget, Capital Programs Division, Account No. 0018-9084-C5054-TYR, and is funded by state grant SB 1 LPP and local M2 funds.

Summary

Staff recommends the Board of Directors authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Agreement No. C-4-2666 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and Bosco Constructors, Inc., the lowest responsive, responsible bidder, in the amount of \$4,450,000, for construction of the Inland Slope Rehabilitation Phase II Project.

Attachment

None.

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