

# REGIONAL TRANSIT ISSUE PAPER

Agenda Item No.	Board Meeting Date	Open/Closed Session	Information/Action Item	Issue Date
5	10/24/11	Open	Action	10/12/11

Subject: Approving a Transfer Agreement with the California Department of Transportation

## ISSUE

Whether or not to approve a subsidized transfer agreement with the California Department of Transportation, Caltrans, facilitating passengers transferring between intercity rail service and the RT system.

## RECOMMENDED ACTION

Adopt Resolution 11-10-\_\_\_\_\_, Approving the Agreement between California Department of Transportation, National Railroad Passenger Corporation, and Sacramento Regional Transit District "RT", for Subsidized Transit Transfer.

## FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with this action. Under the terms of the agreement, RT will receive RT's current average fare (\$0.93) for each transfer used on the RT system. Because reimbursement for transfers used on light rail will be based on survey data, there is a possibility of under-or-over-compensation, but the variance is expected to be negligible.

## DISCUSSION

This agreement would allow passengers riding San Joaquin trains or connecting bus service to transfer to RT's service to complete a one-way trip. A paper transfer will be provided to the customer by a conductor on a San Joaquin train and will be collected by being placed in a bus fare box. Because the light rail system operates under a proof-of-payment fare collection system, transfer usage will be determined through a survey, and Caltrans will be invoiced accordingly. RT will receive its average fare of \$.93 for each Transfer Pass either accepted by RT (for bus) or attributed to San Joaquin passengers (for light rail). This agreement is for a one-year term commencing November 1, 2011 and is capped at \$4,999.99 in total reimbursement; if the total reimbursement equals \$4,999.99 before expiration of the one-year term, the Agreement will automatically terminate.

In 2001, RT entered into a similar transfer agreement with the Capitol Corridor Joint Powers Authority. This transfer arrangement has worked well for both parties and helps provide seamless intercity public transportation. Staff recommends approval of this agreement.

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Approved:

Presented:

Final 10/13/11

General Manager/CEO

Chief Operating Officer

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RESOLUTION NO. 11-10-\_\_\_\_\_

Adopted by the Board of Directors of the Sacramento Regional Transit District on this date:

October 24, 2011

**APPROVING THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF  
TRANSPORTATION, NATIONAL RAILROAD PASSENGER CORPORATION, AND  
SACRAMENTO REGIONAL TRANSIT DISTRICT FOR SUBSIDIZED TRANSIT  
TRANSFER**

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE  
SACRAMENTO REGIONAL TRANSIT DISTRICT AS FOLLOWS:

THAT, the Agreement between California Department of Transportation ("Caltrans"), National Railroad Passenger Corporation, and Sacramento Regional Transit District ("RT"), for Subsidized Transit Transfer whereby RT agrees to accept Transfer Passes issued by Caltrans to passengers on San Joaquin trains and buses as valid fare media for a single trip on RT's fixed-route service and Caltrans agrees to reimburse RT in the amount of \$.93 per Transfer Pass used, is approved.

THAT, the General Manager/CEO is hereby authorized and directed to sign said Agreement.

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DON NOTTOLI, Chair

A T T E S T:

MICHAEL R. WILEY, Secretary

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Cindy Brooks, Assistant Secretary