



STAFF REPORT/RESOLUTION

TO: Southwest Washington Regional Transportation Council Board of Directors
FROM: Dean Lookingbill, Transportation Director
DATE: February 26, 2013
SUBJECT: **TSMO/ITS Program: Technical Services Contract Amendment,
Resolution 03-13-06**

AT A GLANCE - ACTION

The RTC Board is being asked to take action to shift \$5,000 in agency funds from RTC to IBI Group, to provide technical assistance for the Transportation Systems Management and Operations (TSMO)/Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) Program. This action enables continuing technical and engineering support for the program and partner agencies through June of this year.

INTRODUCTION

RTC has been the responsible agency for the coordination and administration of the Vancouver Area Smart Trek (VAST) program since 2001. RTC implements the program through the VAST Steering Committee which includes the following partner agencies: City of Vancouver, Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT), Clark County, C-TRAN, City of Camas, the Oregon Department of Transportation, and RTC. The VAST program's focus is on the coordination, management and deployment of intelligent transportation system (ITS) projects, infrastructure, and equipment to ensure integration and interoperability of projects. These activities are evolving with the completion of the Regional Transportation System Management and Operations Plan (TSMO), which was adopted by the RTC Board in June of 2011. TSMO uses the ITS technology and focuses on agency collaboration to improve the operation of the transportation system and enhance performance without expanding roadway capacity.

The IBI Group's expertise has been critical to the success of the TSMO/ITS program. Their technical knowledge regarding fiber, communications, and data networks is needed for the ongoing operation and integration of transportation data infrastructure and devices and communication/fiber projects. In 2012, this expertise was needed beyond what was originally anticipated in the \$55,000 budget. To meet this higher level of support, this request would shift \$5,000 of existing RTC agency TSMO/ITS program funds to IBI and increase their contract to \$60,000.

POLICY IMPLICATION

The adoption of this resolution is consistent with RTC's role and responsibilities in the management and implementation of the TSMO/ITS program. Adoption of the resolution also provides support for the implementation and integration of the TSMO/ITS program to meet federal requirements for ITS projects and is consistent with the traffic operational efficiency goals in the MTP, TIP, and the UPWP.

BUDGET IMPLICATION

The RTC Board approved Resolution 12-11-21 to authorize a total of \$231,000 for the TSMO/ITS Program consisting of \$200,000 in federal Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality funds and \$31,000 in local match. This previous action also authorized distribution \$176,000 to RTC and \$55,000 to IBI Group for technical assistance. Approval of this resolution would amend the IBI Group contract amount to a total of \$60,000.

ACTION REQUESTED

Adoption of Resolution 03-13-06, "TSMO/ITS Program: Technical Services Contract Amendment."

ADOPTED this _____ day of _____ 2013,
by the Southwest Washington Regional Transportation Council.

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REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COUNCIL

ATTEST:

William J. Ganley
Chair of the Board

Dean Lookingbill
Transportation Director