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May 20, 2026

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**SUBJECT:** Contract No. FR-BB-25-002 for the Black Point Bridge

Dear Board Members:

**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

Determine there is a continued need for emergency action and continue to approve Contract #FR-BB-25-002 for emergency repairs to Black Point Bridge for a total contract amount not to exceed \$274,594.

**SUMMARY:**

This emergency item first came to the District's attention in October. The Black Point Bridge malfunctioned and was unable to be moved without causing further damage. The bridge is a critical link to the SMART main line and must be traveled over to serve freight customers in Petaluma. Given that this critical connection is required for SMART to fulfill its common carrier obligations, the emergency would not permit a delay resulting from a competitive solicitation for bids as immediate repairs to the bridge were necessary. Pursuant to delegated authority, the General Manager in coordination with the SMART Board of Directors Chair, declared an emergency and began the procurement process. On November 7, 2025, SMART executed a contract with Summit Signal to complete the repairs for a total contract amount not to exceed \$135,141.00. In March the Board approved an increase of \$139,453 for a total of \$274,594 to address additional repairs beyond those originally anticipated to be able to turn the bridge permit trains to proceed over it.

Pursuant to Public Contract Code §22050, the governing body shall initially review the emergency action at its next scheduled meeting after the action and at least at every regularly scheduled meeting thereafter until the action is terminated to determine that there is a need to continue the action, unless a person with authority has terminated that action.

The contractor has begun the repair process of Black Point Bridge. Removal of the damaged bridge components is underway, and replacement parts are being fabricated. As required by Public Contract Code §22050, Staff will update the Board of Directors at the June 17, 2026, meeting, if required.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** Funding has been identified in the FY 2026 freight budget.

Very truly yours,

/s/  
Eddy Cumins, General Manager