

Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority
Board Action/Information Summary

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TITLE:

Tractors & Trailers

PURPOSE:

This action is to obtain Board approval to initiate and award a competitive procurement to procure two tractors and two trailers.

DESCRIPTION:

The Office of Rail Track and Structures has the responsibility for track maintenance of the Metro system.

For extensive and large track rehabilitation maintenance projects, the Office of Track and Structures utilizes off site locations to pre-build track panels and associated components. Upon completion of this task, track panels are loaded onto flat cars or leased tractor trailers and transported to the job site at installation time.

During FY2009, TRST will also be establishing two (2) receiving and distribution locations to house inventory of large track components such as switch points, frogs, rail fasteners, and third rail insulators.

The requested procurement of two (2) tractors with trailers, will be utilized by TRST in multiple capacities. During major track rehabilitation projects, these units will be used to transport the heavy hi-rail track equipment such as speed swings and backhoe`s, and large track materials from the various Metro staging areas directly to a Metro right of way (ROW) job site, by roadway. This method will create a larger work window for installations, and alleviate the need for track access for delivery of these items, allowing other departments and contractors to utilize track access.

With the establishment of two (2) locations for the receipt of large track materials, the tractor trailer units will be used for distribution of these materials to the various TRST maintenance locations around the metropolitan area.

This is a competitive procurement and it is reasonable to expect more than one proposal.

FUNDING IMPACT:

Program: Capital Improvement Program, Fiscal 2009
Project: ROW Track Rehabilitation
Budget: \$18,358,897
This Action: 360,000
Prior Approval: 12,330,243
Remaining Budget: \$ 5,668,654
Operating Budget Impact: None - Annual maintenance will be performed by a service contract funded through the Capital Program.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approval to initiate and award a competitive contract for the procurement of two (2) tractor and two (2) trailers.