

**RESOLUTION NO. 2026-03**  
**OF THE FRONT RANGE PASSENGER RAIL DISTRICT**  
**AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL MANAGER TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT UP TO**  
**TWO APPLICATIONS, INCLUDING JOINT APPLICATIONS WITH**  
**MUNICIPALITIES, FOR FUNDING THROUGH THE ENERGY AND MINERAL**  
**IMPACT ASSISTANCE FUND (EIAF) ADMINISTERED BY THE COLORADO**  
**DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL AFFAIRS**

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 32-22-101, *et seq.*, C.R.S. (the “Act”), the Front Range Passenger Rail District (the “District” or “FRPRD”) was established as a body politic and corporate and a political subdivision of the state to research, develop, construct, operate, and maintain an interconnected passenger rail system within the front range that is competitive in terms of travel time for comparable trips with other modes of surface transportation; and

WHEREAS, except as otherwise specifically provided, the Board of Directors of the District (the “Board”) exercises and performs all powers, privileges, and duties vested in or imposed upon the District in the Act; and

WHEREAS, the Energy and Mineral Impact Assistance Fund (“EIAF”) program is funded through state severance taxes on energy and mineral production and through a portion of the State of Colorado’s share of federal mineral lease royalties derived from mining and drilling activities on federally owned lands, as authorized under C.R.S. § 34-63-102 and C.R.S. § 39-29-110; and

WHEREAS, the Colorado Department of Local Affairs (“DOLA”) administers the EIAF program consistent with state statute to support eligible local governments, including counties, municipalities, and Title 32 special districts, by providing financial and technical resources that promote sustainable community development, enhance livability, and strengthen long-term community resilience; and

WHEREAS, the EIAF program prioritizes projects that demonstrate community need, represent a high priority for the applicant jurisdiction, show strong local commitment to completion, are ready to proceed, contribute to community resilience, address or relate to impacts from energy and mineral industry activities, and demonstrate financial need; and

WHEREAS, the District has identified the Front Range Passenger Rail project, including station-area planning, engagement, and outreach activities, as a critical and high-priority initiative that will benefit communities along the corridor and align with the goals and evaluation criteria of the EIAF program; and

WHEREAS, any local match or contribution associated with an EIAF application will be funded exclusively from previously appropriated District funds, and submission of an application does not authorize or require any new or additional financial expenditure, debt, or obligation beyond those already approved by the Board; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds that submitting one or more applications to the EIAF program, including joint applications with municipalities or other eligible local governments, is in the best interest of the District and the communities it serves and represents a prudent strategy to leverage existing District resources to extend regional impact and influence; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to authorize the General Manager to take all actions necessary to prepare and submit such applications, while reserving final authority to accept any awarded funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the District that:

1. Authorization to Apply.

The General Manager is hereby authorized to prepare, execute, and submit up to two (2) applications to the Colorado Department of Local Affairs for funding through the Energy and Mineral Impact Assistance Fund (EIAF) program for the purpose of completing station-area planning, engagement, and outreach activities related to the Front Range Passenger Rail project.

2. Joint Applications.

The General Manager is further authorized to submit such applications individually or jointly with one or more municipalities, counties, or other eligible local governments, as permitted by DOLA guidelines, and to coordinate with such partners on application materials, scope, and funding requests.

3. No New Financial Commitment.

Submission of an EIAF application pursuant to this Resolution shall not obligate the District to any new or additional financial expenditure. Any required local match or contribution shall be limited to funds previously appropriated by the Board, and no new appropriation, debt, or financial commitment is authorized by this Resolution.

4. Conditional Acceptance of Award.

In the event that any EIAF grant is awarded, the General Manager shall return to the Board of Directors for formal consideration and approval prior to accepting the grant or executing any grant agreement.

5. Effective Date.

This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

APPROVED this 23rd day of January 2026.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "L. E. Peterson", written over a horizontal line.

Chair

ATTEST:

Joan Peck  
Secretary