



COUNTY OF SONOMA

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SUMMARY REPORT

Agenda Date: 5/13/2025

To: Board of Supervisors

Department or Agency Name(s): Sonoma County Public Infrastructure

Staff Name and Phone Number: Johannes J. Hoevertsz, 707-565-2550

Vote Requirement: Majority

Supervisory District(s): Countywide

Title:

Title VI Program Triennial Update for Sonoma County Transit

Recommended Action:

Adopt a Resolution approving the 2025 Title VI Civil Rights Program Update for Sonoma County Transit.

Executive Summary:

Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and its implementing regulations provide that no person in the United States shall, on the grounds of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity that receives federal financial assistance. Sonoma County Transit receives ongoing federal transit assistance through the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and, therefore, must comply with Title VI regulations.

The Federal Transit Administration requires recipients of federal transit assistance to submit an updated Title VI Program report once every three years. Sonoma County Transit has prepared its 2025 Title VI Civil Rights Program Update in accordance with FTA's Title VI requirements. This report is an update of the Title VI Civil Rights Assessment that was submitted to FTA in April 2022. Recipients of federal transit assistance must provide a resolution showing that the appropriate governing body responsible for policy decisions reviewed and approved the Title VI Program.

Discussion:

With a fleet of 46 fixed-route and 30 paratransit vehicles, Sonoma County Transit provides intercity public transit service along major travel corridors linking all incorporated cities in Sonoma County. Sonoma County Transit also provides local fixed-route and paratransit service within several incorporated cities in Sonoma County. In addition, local transit service is provided within the Lower Russian River and Sonoma Valley unincorporated communities. During fiscal year 2024, Sonoma County Transit provided a total of 744,550 fixed-route passenger trips and 42,594 paratransit trips. The 2025 Title VI Program Update report on file with this item includes updated information from Sonoma County Transit about its Title VI public notices, complaint procedures, public participation process, service standards and policies, and language assistance measures.

Strategic Plan:

NA

Racial Equity:

Was this item identified as an opportunity to apply the Racial Equity Toolkit?

No

Prior Board Actions:

5/17/22: Board adopted resolution approving the 2022 title VI Civil Rights Program Triennial Update for Sonoma County Transit. Resolution No. 22-0213.

4/16/19: Board adopted a resolution approving the 2019 Title VI Civil Rights Program Triennial Update for Sonoma County Transit. Resolution No. 19-0156.

4/26/16: Board adopted a resolution approving the 2016 Title VI Civil Rights Program Triennial Update for Sonoma County Transit. Resolution No. 16-0150.

FISCAL SUMMARY

Narrative Explanation of Fiscal Impacts:

This item is a program update only and does not result in any fiscal impacts. There are no new expenditures, revenue changes, or financial obligations associated with this update. Any expenditures related to operations is included in the recommended transit budget, and no additional funding is requested at this time.

Narrative Explanation of Staffing Impacts (If Required):

None

Attachments:

Resolution

2025 Sonoma County Transit Title VI Program Update

Related Items “On File” with the Clerk of the Board:

None.