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**Planning and Programming Committee
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In July 2012, the MTA board approved an expenditure of \$2 million, as part of the Regional Rail Funding Plan, to use as a match for a time-sensitive federal transportation grant of \$4.3 million awarded to the Burbank Bob Hope Airport.

The Board allocated funds were intended to construct a temporary station serving the Airport on the Antelope Valley Metrolink line to promote the "plane-to-train" concept, and to support Chairman Antonovich's airport connection motion. The Airport committed \$1.7 million of its \$4.3 million federal grant to this station to match MTA's contribution.

The temporary platform was to be completed expeditiously to be used upon the completion of the Airport's \$100 million regional intermodal transportation center, currently under construction at the airport, to leverage the effective and timely use of both local revenues and federal grant funds, and to maximize the investment in important transit related improvements associated with this project.

Construction of the Antelope Valley Metrolink Line station serving the Airport has now been pushed back to 2015, and has jeopardized the timely use of the federal grant by the Airport and will require an additional \$1.7 million for the station to be built.

WE THEREFORE MOVE that the Board directs the CEO to expedite the construction of the platform using other MTA resources outside of the Regional Rail Department;

WE FURTHER MOVE that a report and timeline be brought back to the Construction Committee and Full Board in July 2013 that will include a groundbreaking and completion date in coordination with Bob Hope Airport.

WE FURTHER MOVE that the MTA Board authorize the expenditure of additional Measure R 3% funds totaling \$1.7 million to support the Airport's commitment of timely use of federal grant funds and improving "plane-to-train" connections to the existing regional passenger rail system.

