



Hill International to Support the Southern California Regional Rail Authority's State of Good Repair Program Across the Entire Metrolink System

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PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 13, 2022 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Hill International, Inc., delivering the infrastructure of change, announced today it was awarded a contract by the Southern California Regional Rail Authority (SCRRA) to provide staff augmentation support for SCRRA's system-wide track, structure, and signal rehabilitation program throughout the Authority's system.

Led by Metrolink Assistant Director of Rehabilitation Aaron Azevedo, PE, with the leadership of Justin Fornelli, Chief of Program Delivery this program will help maintain a State of Good Repair (SOGR) across the entire system, which will allow Metrolink to continue to provide safe and on-time service for their passengers. Metrolink operates 7 commuter rail lines and more than 60 stations across 538 route miles of track in Southern California. The system operates in Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, and Ventura counties, and connects to Oceanside in San Diego County.

Work under SCRRA's SOGR program that Hill will support includes replacing approximately 27,000 ties; replacing approximately 43,000 LF of rail; upgrading 1,146 LF of wood tie track to concrete ties; rehabilitating 16 turnouts; design, permitting, and rehabilitation of multiple culverts; rail top bridge replacements; grading; nearly two dozen crossing upgrades; and more than 8 signal systems rehabilitation projects to improve systems at more than 25 locations. The projects are vital to the safe and efficient movement of trains and will assist the Authority in delivering projects that are included in Metrolink's SOGR Backlog.

Hill's services will include rehabilitation program management, contract administration and management, construction and project management, field engineering and product development, signal project management, inventory management, asset condition assessments, Scope of Work development, Independent Cost Estimate development, staff augmentation support, office engineering services, and public outreach support.

Hill First Vice President, Southern California Operations J.P. Villamizar, said of the award: "Overseen by our California Rail and Transit Practice Leader Vice President Mary Toutouchi and our Program Manager/Vice President Dan Nagy, we have assembled an exceptional pool of professionals for the SCRRA to draw from to support the SOGR program. This includes Hill's own local bench of rail experts as well as the resources of our small business and DBE partners. The results for SCRRA will be a team at the ready to support the Metrolink SOGR objectives in any capacity."

Hill Chief Executive Officer Raouf S. Ghali adds: "Hill is, at heart, an infrastructure firm, as our decades of success on award-winning rail projects in Southern California and around the world demonstrate. We look forward to leveraging our knowledge of rail project best practices to SCRRA's benefit on this program and deliver the system Metrolink envisions for years to come."

About Hill International

Hill International, with more than 3,200 professionals in over 100 offices worldwide, provides program management, project management, construction management, project management oversight, construction claims, dispute resolution, advisory, facilities management, and other consulting services to clients in a variety of market sectors. *Engineering News-Record* magazine recently ranked Hill as one of the largest construction management firms in the United States. For more information on Hill, please visit our website at www.hillintl.com.

Forward Looking Statements

Certain statements contained herein may be considered "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, and it is our intent that any such statements be protected by the safe harbor created thereby. Except for historical information, the matters set forth herein including, but not limited to, any statements of belief or intent, any statements concerning our plans, strategies, and objectives for future operations are forward-looking statements. These forward-looking statements are based on our current expectations, estimates and assumptions and are subject to certain risks and uncertainties. Although we believe that the expectations, estimates, and assumptions reflected in our forward-looking statements are reasonable, actual results could differ materially from those projected or assumed in any of our forward-looking statements. Important factors that could cause our actual results to differ materially from estimates or projections contained in our forward-looking statements are set forth in the Risk Factors section and elsewhere in the reports we have filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including that unfavorable global economic conditions may adversely impact our business, our backlog may not be fully realized as revenue, and our expenses may be higher than anticipated. We do not intend, and undertake no obligation, to update any forward-looking statement.

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