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SMART hires Heather McKillop as new CFO

Petaluma, CA— Sonoma Marin Area Rail Transit (SMART) announced today that Heather McKillop had been hired as the district’s new Chief Financial Officer (CFO). As CFO, Ms. McKillop will oversee SMART’s financial management, including day-to-day accounting, budget, payroll and financial management.

Prior to joining SMART, Heather McKillop was the Chief Financial Officer and Assistant General Manager of Finance & Administration for the Regional Transportation District (RTD) in Denver, CO, where she has held that position since 2015. Prior to working for the RTD, Ms. McKillop was the Deputy Executive Director for the Colorado Department of Revenue.

“This is a fantastic hire for SMART,” said Eric Lucan, Chair of the SMART Board of Directors. “Ms. McKillop brings a wealth of financial management experience from within the rail transportation industry and state government.”

“Her extensive skills include both day-to-day fiscal management, as well as the strategic financial planning acumen needed to lead SMART’s financial future,” said Vice-Chair Barbara Pahre. “SMART will be in great financial hands when our current CFO hands SMART’s finances over.”

SMART's current CFO Erin McGrath, who has been with SMART for almost a decade, announced this past summer that she would be leaving SMART at the end of her current contract to spend more time with her family and pursue other opportunities.

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