San Bernardino Associated Governments (SANBAG) proposes to implement the Redlands Passenger Rail Project, a commuter rail service in the nine mile corridor between the San Bernardino Transit Center and the University of Redlands. SANBAG expects the project to include four new stations and the procurement of three new diesel multiple unit vehicles. SANBAG believes the service, which will be operated by OmniTrans, will provide a valuable transit alternative for a rapidly growing region with highly congested, automobile dependent infrastructure.

SANBAG currently estimates the project cost to be $262 million, but has not yet identified the amount of Small Starts funding the project will seek. A locally preferred alternative was selected in March 2015, and was adopted into the region’s most recent fiscally constrained long-range transportation plan on April 7, 2016. SANBAG completed an Environmental Impact Statement and received a Record of Decision in February 2015. The project sponsor expects to receive a Small Starts Grant Agreement in 2018 and begin revenue service in 2020.