

NORCO Out of State Travel Procedure

Effective immediately, an additional step to the process has been added: the College President must now obtain pre-approval from the Chancellor with justification for the travel cost before the request can be placed on the Board agenda. This step requires additional lead time, so we are adjusting the internal submission deadline accordingly.

To ensure sufficient time for review and approval, all out-of-state travel requests must be submitted at least 5 business days prior to the Tuesday deadline for the upcoming Board meeting.

Per <u>Administrative Policy 5900</u>, "Requests for travel outside of the State of California, AND beyond 500 miles from the primary work site, including out-of-country travel, require that a travel request be completed and approved by an appropriate administrator and by the Board of Trustees before the travel event takes place."

Revised Step-by-Step Process:

1. Requester Submits Travel Request

- Submit all travel details and justification for the cost in writing to your Area Vice President, with a cc to Denise Terrazas.
- o Include: destination, purpose, dates of travel, estimated costs, funding source, and justification for out-of-state travel using the format detailed below.

2. VP Review

 The Vice President reviews the request for accuracy, completeness, and alignment with college priorities.

3. President Review & Chancellor Approval

- o The VP forwards the request to the College President.
- The President will review and submit the request with justification to the Chancellor for approval.

4. Board Agenda Placement

 Once Chancellor approval is secured, the President's Office will place the item on the Board agenda and confirm travel authorization with the requester.

Key Timing Reminder:

Requests must be submitted at least 5 business days prior to the Board deadline (Tuesday before the meeting) to allow time for review and Chancellor approval.

Important: Emails should include the following information, rationale, and a meeting agenda.

 Mr./Ms. NAME, TITLE, DEPARTMENT, to travel to CITY, STATE, MONTH, DAY, YEAR through MONTH, DAY, YEAR, to attend the NAME OF EVENT. Estimated cost: TOTAL AMOUNT SUBMITTED IN CONCUR. Funding Source: GENERAL FUND/GRANT NAME.

Please direct questions to Denise Terrazas (<u>Denise.Terrazas@norcocollege.edu</u>).