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TO: RAILS Board of Directors

FROM: Deirdre Brennan

SUBJECT: FY2020 RAILS budget

I have put this item on the agenda so that we can have a preliminary discussion about the budget.

We are in the midst of budget preparation right now and it is already clear that it is going to be very tight this year. We have not had any increase in our appropriation since FY2011, despite the fact that prices have gone up and programs and services have expanded as library usage and needs have increased.

I look forward to discussing the budget with the board at our meeting.