IIJA/BIL Implementation Sub-Working Group for Transit and Commuter Rail

March 22, 2022
Agenda

• Welcome and Agenda Review
• House Keeping Items and Action Items Review
• NOFO for the FY2022 Low or No Emissions/Buses and Bus Facilities
• Finalize Transit and Commuter Rail Sub-Working Group Charter
• Discussion Topic: Transit Operating Funds
• Expert Speaker: Scott Bogren, CTAA Executive Director
• Discussion Topic: COVID Related Issues
• Recap and Action Items
House Keeping Items & Action Items Review

• IIJA ZE Transition Sub-working Group Updates
• Upcoming IIJA Working Group Meetings
• Upcoming IIJA Webinars
  • https://www.transit.dot.gov/events
• FTA Apportionments
• Action Items Tracker
## Action Items Tracker

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<td>Finalize Draft Project Charter</td>
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<td>Ideas and recommendations to address COVID related challenges and lack of adequate operating and maintenance funding</td>
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<td>Clarify definition of rail and transit projects</td>
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<td>Develop itemized list of key topics, programs, or discussions where state leadership and focus is needed</td>
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Low or No Emissions/Buses and Bus Facilities

NOFO released March 4 - $1.5 billion in funding for zero emission programs
  5339(c) Low No - $1.1 billion
  5339(b) Bus and Bus Facilities $372 million

Applications are due by May 31, 2022

Applications for ZEV for both the Low No and Bus and Bus Facilities programs must include a Zero-Emission Transition Plan
Finalize Charter

• Intercity Passenger Transit and Commuter Rail Sub-Working Group Scope
• Goals
• Key Milestones and Due Dates
• Assumptions
• Collaboration and Coordination with Relevant Sub-Working Groups
• Risks to Implementation and Recommendation Mitigation Strategy
Discussion Topics

- Operating Funds for Transit/Commuter Rail

Transit-Dedicated Federal Programs
(administered by Federal Transit Administration)

- Urbanized Area Formula Grants
- Formula Grants for Rural Areas
- Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities
- Remaining CARES Act, CRRSSA, and ARP stimulus funds for transit
- Public Transportation on Indian Reservations
Discussion Topics

• Operating Funds for Transit/Commuter Rail

Multimodal Federal Programs
(administered by Federal Highway Administration)

• Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program (new, expanded, and enhanced service only)
• Federal Lands Transportation Program (appropriations to federal land management agencies)
• Federal Lands Access Program (appropriations to state, local, and tribal governments)
Discussion Topics

• Operating Funds for Transit/Commuter Rail

State Programs

• State Transit Assistance
• Local Transportation Fund
• Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (new, expanded, and enhanced service only)
• State Rail Assistance (for mainline rail only, including commuter and regional rail)
Expert Speaker

Scott Bogren, CTAA Executive Director
Discussion Topics

COVID Related Challenges
• Driver Shortages
• Long Term Recruitment Issues
• Workforce Development

Available Funding to address these issues
• FTA - Low or No Emissions Grant Program, Public Transportation Technical Assistance and Workforce Development
• FHWA - On-the-Job Training Program, Disadvantaged Business Enterprises.
Recap and Action Items

• Complete Doodle Poll
• Start thinking about the ideas/recommendations to address ZEV and equity related challenges