**Intercity Transit External Funding Update** February 7, 2018

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### Summary

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#### **External Funds**

What do we generally mean by external funds?

Any non-local funding that comes from **Federal**, **State and Regional** sources. These can be formula distributions, grants (competitive and programmatic) and contracts and agreement. **These funds are not automatic**. In general terms we most often use the term "grants" but much of our external funding is not granted in a competitive sense but distributed based on a formula or a project selection basis.

- **Competitive Grants** can be via Federal, State & Regional (TRPC or PSRC) sources.
- External funds can be for both Capital and Operations most federal funds have restrictions on use of some sort.
- WSDOT also provides **formula awards** (i.e. for Dial-a Lift service)



### **External Funding Sources**

- Federal Sources
  - Federal Formula Funds Sec. 5307 direct
    - Sec 5307 Direct (formula)
    - Sec 5339 Capital Direct or pass thru (WSDOT)
    - Earned Share via PSRC (Sec. 5307 and 5339)
    - Cooperative Agreements (Village Vans)
- State –

#### Competitive and Formula awards – typically state funds

- Contract/Grant Agreements for Regional Mobility Capital and Operating
- Contract/Grant Agreements for formula Consolidated Grant– Special Needs Transportation (DAL service)
- Regional MPO
  - Competitive Programs for Federal Funds via the MPO (TRPC)
    - STP, CMAQ and TAP types and amount change with each Federal Reauthorization
    - Programs have different eligibility requirements some set regionally
    - Must be consistent with the adopted Regional MTP



## Award & Obligation

- All agencies that receive Federal Funds are required to follow a similar process (applies to all Federal Funding regardless if its competitive or formula – few exception).
- USDOT processes are different for Transit (FTA) than Cities (FHWA) but requirements are the same.



## Award & Obligation - Steps

- Notice of Award
  - ApportionmentNotice (direct)
  - From the granting agency (MPO)
  - From the State (WSDOT)



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February 9, 2017

Ann Freeman-Manzanares, General Manager Intercity Transit PO Box 659 Olympia, WA 98507-0659

Subject: 5339 Small Urban Grant Award

Dear Ms. Freeman-Manzanares:

Congratulations! Your organization is an award recipient of the FFY2016 Bus and Bus Facility FTA Section 5339 Grant Program. The award amount is listed below.

We apologize for the late notice of this award, which was delayed while we confirmed FTA's formula for this program.

WSDOT is forwarding 5339 awards to small urban transits, using the same FTA formula to determine the small urban funding to the state. The amount below is the amount awarded to your agency.

Federal Fiscal Year	Award	
FFY2016	\$235,863	

We have transmitted our new formula and awards to FTA. At this time, please proceed with programing your funds with FTA in the same manner as you would for the FTA Section 5307 Grant Program.

If you have questions or need assistance regarding the 5339 grant program, please contact me at <u>Chartod@wsdot.wa.gov</u> or 360-705-7928 or contact Nicole Patrick at <u>Patricn@wsdot.wa.gov</u> or 360-705-6930.

Sincerely,

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Don Chartock, Project Delivery Manager Public Transportation Division

cc: Nicole Patrick, WSDOT



## Award & Obligation - Steps

#### Obligation

- All Federally funded projects are required to be in the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) before funds can be obligated. This process includes several steps.
- Local TIP or Program of Projects
- Included in Regional TIP (TRPC and PSRC for Intercity Transit)



# Award & Obligation - Steps

#### Public Process

- Each Spring Intercity Transit advertises and holds a public hearing on the annual update of the agencies Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).
- Process is to identify known and likely/anticipated Federal Funds and the Projects that are anticipated or know to be receiving new Federal funding.
- Included in Regional TIP (TRPC and PSRC for Intercity Transit).

# RIDER NEWS

For information, contact Customer Service at 360.786.1881 or visit intercitytransit.com

May 2017

#### Public Comment Invited on Transportation Improvement Program



Intercity Transit seeks rider and public comment on its proposed 2018-2021 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The comment period ends with a public hearing on Wednesday, May 17, 2017, 5:30 p.m. at our business office, 526 Pattison St. SE, Olympia. If you need special accommodations to participate in the hearing, call us at 360-705-5860 three days prior to the meeting.

Please consider riding the bus, bicycling, or walking to attend the hearing. Routes 62A, 62B, 66, and Dial-A-Lift (for certified riders) serve stops near this location.

#### What is the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)?

The TIP represents our complete program of potential federally funded projects for 2018-2021. It includes projects also programmed through the Thurston Regional Planning Council (TRPC) and the Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC).

#### Where Can I Get Materials?

You can get a draft copy of the TIP on our website or by contacting our business office at 360-786-8585. The business office is open Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

#### Other Ways to Comment

If you cannot attend the public hearing, you can provide comment by:

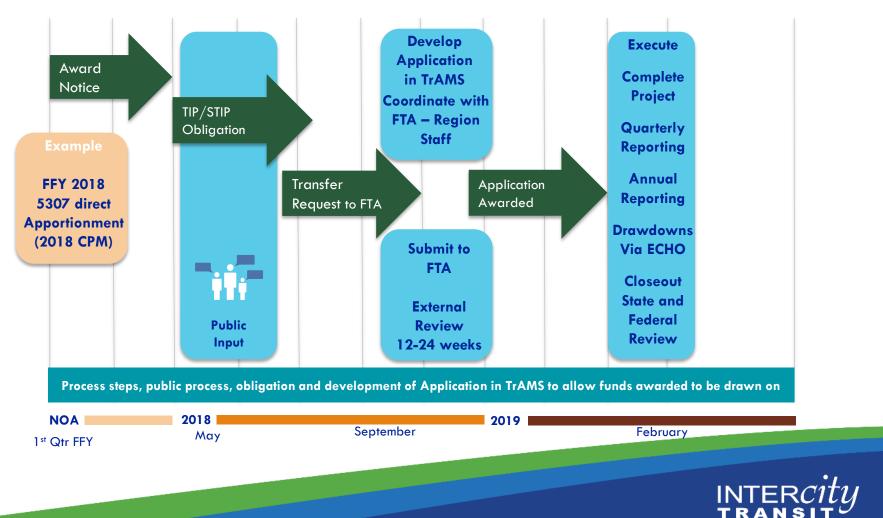
- Mail: Development Director, Intercity Transit P.O. Box 659, Olympia, WA 98507-0659
- Email: ephillips@intercitytransit.com
- Phone: 360-705-5885

All comments must be received by 4 p.m. Wednesday, May 17, 2017 to be considered.



### **Application Management**

• Federal Awards – Annual CPM example



## **Application Management**

- State Awards
- Based on the Biennial Budget
  - Receive Via Program (WSDOT Transportation Budget) RMG (operating and Capital), Special Needs
  - Direct appropriation (2017 DASH funding was added to Transportation (WSDOT) Budget)
  - Typically managed by Contract or Grant Agreements Normally requires reporting and reimbursement post expenditure.

### Program Management

- SAW/STIP
- PSRC TIP application (Earned Share)
- TrAMS FTA Applications
- ECHO Financial Application / Drawdowns
- Federal Review Annual via State Auditor and Triennial reviews with FTA
- Reporting with MPO, State and Federal agencies. (FTA MPR and FFR quarterly for all open application's)



## **External Funding Summary**

- State Funding (via WSDOT) 2017-2019
  - Regional Mobility Grant Capital -Pattison MOA
    - \$2 million for RVSC (\$3.9 million for 2019-2021)
  - Regional Mobility Grant Olympia Express Operations
    - \$993,320 (requires \$510,716 local operating match)
  - Consolidated grant Special Needs Formula funding
    - \$1,762,790 (biennium)
  - DASH Operations (GCA) \$375,000 (one time)
  - VIP Vanpool Replacements (40) \$885,000



## **External Funding Summary**

#### Federal Funds

- FFY 2017 Apportionment \$3,197,828 (application in development)
- FFY 2018 (No announcement as of Feb 7, 2018)
- 2017 PSRC Earned Share \$2,603,722 (obligation pending)
- FFY 16 and FFY 17 Sec 5339 Formula
  - Via WSDOT direct application notice
- Thurston Regional planning Council (TRPC) Awards-
  - \$190,000 Walk and Roll (CMAQ thru 2020)
  - \$655,500 Smart Corridors (CMAQ thru 2020)



# **External Funding Summary**

- Total Federal Funds Awarded Unliquidated balances
  - TrAMS Applications **Executed** 
    - \$7,089,660
  - TrAMS Application In Progress
    - \$3,687,331
  - TrAMS Applications Pending
    - \$9,744,443



#### **Bus Replacements**



- Total Funds Secured For Coach Replacement
  - \$5,510.089 (Federal share at 80/20)
  - Requires \$1,377,522 local





#### **Vanpool Replacements**



- Total Funds Secured For Vanpool Replacements
  - \$549,920 Federal 5307 (Federal share ay 80/20)
  - \$885,000 State (VIP grant– Federal funds can be used to match State)



## **Olympia Transit Center Expansion**

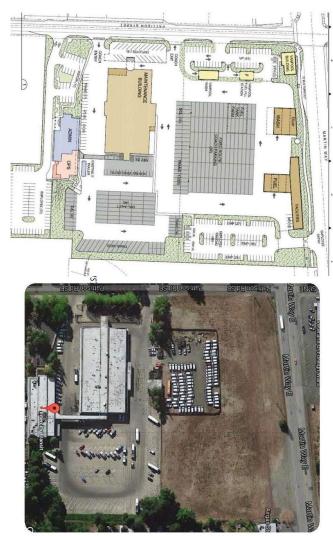


- Total Funds Secured For OTC Expansion
  - \$4,292,582 Federal Funds Design & Construction (\$4.3 local)

- \$8,492,282 - 2018 Budget (Local and Grants)

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#### Pattison MOA Base Exp/Rehab.



- **LOCAL \$4.1** Million committed by ITA in 2018 Budget.
- **STATE: \$5.9M** State funding. (RMG –2017-2019 secured \$2M and 2019-2021 \$3.9M pending).



- **FEDERAL**: Secured: **\$6.2M** federal formula funding via PSRC Earned Share.
- FEDERAL: \$12.5 Million
  Federal competitive grant under review. (Sec. 5339
   Bus and Bus Facilities)





#### External Funds – Annual Estimates\*

#### **Direct Federal Funds (annual)**

- Sec. 5307 Direct Formula \$3,200,000
- PSRC Earned Share (Sec. 5307 and 5339) \$2,400,000
- Sec 5339 Direct or via WSDOT \$240,000
  - Total Annual Estimated Federal \$5,840,000

#### State Funds (annual/varies) operating

- Special Needs / Consolidated DAL support \$840,000
- RMG Operating \$500,000
  Total Annual Estimated State
  \$1,340,000

#### Regional Funds (Federal) Competitive varies (24 yr. Average)

Approximately 12% of total = \$340,000 per year



#### **\*Total Annual Funding From External Sources (Estimated)**

\* Does not include capital competitive grants for larger projects

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# Program Management Approach

#### **Staff Goals**

- Always be working to leverage and extend any local funding for capital and operating projects where external funding is likely to maximize the retention of local funds for our operations and to extend or services.
- Minimize time utilized to develop grant applications to reduce heavy resource use – being strategic with the processes and projects
- Project Teams formed to manage & report on projects.



