Integrated Mobility Division
Transit Systems Call

April 29, 2020
AGENDA

• Welcome
• Update on CARES Act Application
• ROAP/SMAP Policy Changes
• Conversion of Remaining 5307/5311 Funding
• Thinking Ahead
• Funding Dashboard and Web Resources
• Wrap Up
• Questions
• Re-Submitted to FTA April 27, 2020 for 5311 Initial Allocation

• Issues with Transit System Application
  • Deadline extended by a week until May 8

• Next Steps:
  • Intercity (Required 15%)
  • New Providers
SMAP/ROAP Policy Change

- NCDOT will not require unspent FY 20 funds to be returned
- Policy Document outlining the changes will be sent out to systems by first of May
  - Must be signed by County Manager and Transit Director
Conversion of 5307 and 5311 Funds to 100% Federal Match

- FTA Guidance clarified that “Section 5307 and Section 5311 funding that has not already been disbursed by the recipient or passed its period of availability may be used for COVID-19 response at the increased Federal share of 100 percent.”

- Difficult with grant system
- Working to create a strategy to implement
Thinking Ahead – Future Investments

- If budget allows, some CARES Act funding could cover capital and other emerging needs to facilitate recovery efforts.
- Consider long-term impacts of COVID-19 on public transportation.
- Preserve and expand access to opportunities and services for vulnerable populations.
Emerging Trends with Cost Implications

• **Social distancing** – minimizing passengers per vehicle & providing real-time information to customers

• **Sanitizing surfaces and reducing spread** – cashless fare technology, regular cleanings

• **Changing travel patterns** – more aging in place, more cross-jurisdictional trips, increased need for on-demand

• **Non-traditional collaborations** – social service roles, economic development partnerships
COVID-19 Web Resources

https://connect.ncdot.gov/business/Transit
Wrap Up

Please make sure that your contact information is updated with your MDS

Update SmartSheet “Coronavirus Status Update (Transit)” with impacts to system
QUESTIONS?
Bicycle and Pedestrian | Public Transportation

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