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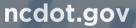


Integrated Mobility Division Transit Systems Call

February 8, 2023

AGENDA

- Finance & Grant Admin. Updates
- Procurement & Vehicle Updates
- Compliance updates
- Multimodal Planning Updates
- Other reminders and updates
- Questions



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Finance Updates

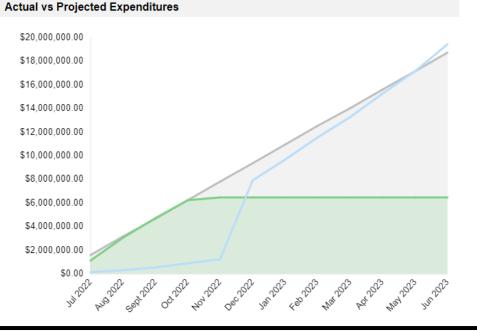
ROAP Update as of February 6, 2023

ROAP Overview



Overall ROAP Stats							
Primary	Amount	% Total Allocation					
ROAP Allocation	\$18,690,029						
Carryover	\$3,629,744						
Allocation + Carryover	\$22,319,773						
Transferred Out	\$81,814	0%					
YTD Expenditures	\$6,929,086	37%					
Total Balance	\$15,308,873	82%					

EDTAP, EMPL, RGP Stats								
SFY2023	Net Allocation	Expenditures	% Expended	County Funds Used				
EDTAP	\$9,992,052	\$3,110,816	31%		\$294,859			
EMPL	\$2,890,910	\$1,125,481	39%		\$408,166			
RGP	\$9,354,990	\$2,692,789	29%		\$52,321			
Totals	\$22,237,951	\$6,929,086	31%		\$755,346			



Net Allocation includes Carryover Amounts and Transfers.

ROAP Update Continued

- FY 2023 ROAP 2nd disbursement occurred during the week of January 16, 2023.
- The completed 2nd Certified Statement was due in the FY23 ROAP drop box in EBS by January 20, 2023. If statement hasn't been submitted yet, please let me know when to expect it.
- December 2022 ROAP report is due February 15th.

The link to the SmartSheet is:

https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/ea46d9e0611c406d84b62a9b72b82c78

Grant Administration & Procurement Updates



Key Updates

- Program Release: FY24 Capital Cost of Contracting
 - Opened: January 6, 2023 Deadline: Friday, February 3rd.
 - Eligible recipients: 5311 Subrecipients when offering additional types of transit service like microtransit, that have not been traditionally offered in a particular location.
 - IMD is reviewing applications and will make award decisions soon.
- FY24 5303 Planning Grant MPOS/RPOS Draft UPWPs due January 31, 2023 in EBS.
 - Final UPWP and other required documentation due March 31st.
- Please partner with your RGS to complete all documentation requests for EBS applications.
 - The Certs and Assurances are due in EBS uploaded into FY2024 Certs & Assurances Drop Box by Thursday, April 27, 2023 in order to meet the FTA guidelines of submitting them within 90 days of publication.

FY 25 Unified Grant Application (UGA) Process



Key Dates: April 3, 2023, Open Call for Projects – Friday, October 6, 2023, Grant Applications due in EBS

- Interactive, single guidance document
- Organized into 3 distinct phases
- Efficiency by pre-completing some documents in pre-application phase
- State and Federal guidance
- Extended application period

What's New and Benefits to Applicants

- Simplified process by integrating applications into single process
- Streamlined process and material, and outlining eligibility clearly
- Modernized process by incorporating SmartSheet and Docusign
- FY25 Call for Projects training webinars planned for Tuesday, March 21 and Wednesday, March 22. Details to follow.

Vehicle Capital Supplemental Funding

For transit systems with outstanding FY 22 and FY 23 vehicle orders, your transit system will have the opportunity to order vehicles when the new state contract is executed (estimated Spring 2023). Vehicle overages will be funded with federal and state funding with no additional local funding required.

- IMD will provide further instructions soon on the change request process.
- Supplemental agreements will be issued based on the change request and the new federal/state/local funding split.
- New order forms will be distributed to the transit systems following the award of the new state vehicle contract.
- Order forms should be sent to the vendor with cc to Chris Dodson, IMD Procurement Officer.

Procurement Updates

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- Raised Roof Van/LTV Contract Status Update
 - As of 10/5/21, the previous NCDOT-specific contract for LTVs has expired
 - The IFB (Invitation for Bids) for an NCDOT-specific contract for LTVs and Raised Roof Vans was advertised as of 8/8/22; <u>Bids opened as of 12/13/22</u>
 - Mid-roof and high-top RR vans
 - 20ft, 22ft, 25ft and 28ft Light Transit Cutaway-type Vehicles (LTV)
 - Fully electric has been advertised as an eligible option for vendors to bid on
 - Currently projecting that contract awards will take place in March of 2022
 - Order forms for FY23 vehicle projects will be released shortly after
 - NCDOT will pay the federal and state share for the higher pricing on FY22 and FY23 vehicle projects

Procurement Updates

- Competitive Solicitations for Capital and Operating Purchases
 - Reminder that any capital purchase made over \$10,000 that utilizes FTA/NCDOT funding will need approval from IMD <u>Procurement prior to the issuance of a purchase order</u>
 - This may also apply to operating contracts if the value of the contract exceeds \$10,000
- Tech RFP
 - Due to delays with NCDOT's Technology RFP for Scheduling Software, systems may now look at additional resources for obtaining new scheduling software through competitive means
 - Only if there has been funding already identified for those projects
 - Systems that were approved for Capital Technology/Scheduling Software purchases may reach out to me for guidance on how to move forward with issuing a competitive solicitation or reaching out to prospective vendors for quotes

Chris Dodson, Procurement Officer <u>cbdodson@ncdot.gov</u> 919-707-4696 **Compliance Updates**

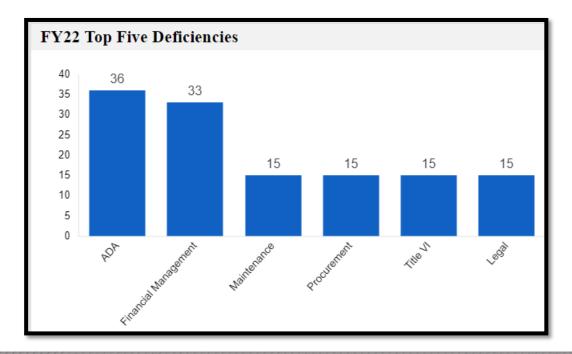
Compliance Review Updates

Compliance Review (34 Reviews in Total)

- Compliance Review Visits Conducted: 33 (100%)
- Systems that have fully completed their Reviews: 13 (39%)
- Systems that have not fully completed their Reviews: 20 (61%)
- Compliance Reviews in the Corrective Action Stage: 30 (88%)
- Closed (1 No Deficiencies, 2 Deficiencies Satisfied): 3 (10%)

Current Trends so far

- 186 Total Deficiencies (98 closed)
- Top Five Findings Categories:
 - ADA (36)
 - Financial Management (33)
 - Maintenance (15)
 - Procurement (15)
 - Title VI (15)
 - Legal (15)



DAMIS Reporting

- Reminder about entering CY 2022 DAMIS information ASAP
- February 15 firm deadline to submit in DAMIS portal
- Please follow up with Kevin Edwards with any questions

Multimodal Planning Updates

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Multimodal Planning Grants

- Applications opening this week
- Funding for municipal and county bicycle and pedestrian transportation plans
 - Transit corridors are evaluated where fixed-route/deviated fixed route services exist
- Local match required, depending on population of jurisdiction

Multimodal Planning Grants

- Funding Options:
 - Project Acceleration Plans for towns <10,000 population
 - Comprehensive Bike and/or Pedestrian Plans
 - Mulitmodal Plan where existing fixed-route or deviated fixed-route service exists
 - Plan Updates to existing plans < 5 years old</p>

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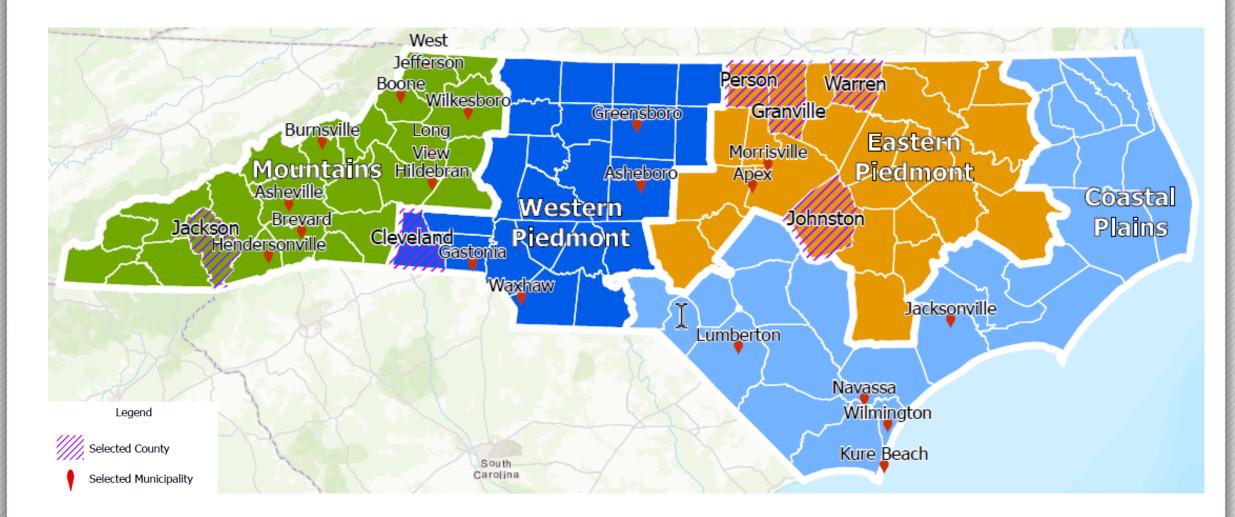
Paved Trails & Sidewalks Feasibility Study Grant Program

- o Press release today announcing grant awards
- o Types of projects selected: paved trails, greenways, sidepaths, sidewalks
- o Applicants local governments, regional planning agencies, non-profits
- o 59 applications / 25 awarded
- ~\$5M requested / ~\$2.5M awarded
- o Study components:
 - o Community engagement
 - o Existing condition analysis
 - o Environmental, utility, right-of-way and other considerations
 - o Alternative evaluation
 - o Recommended alignment, cost estimate
 - o Implementation plan
- o Studies will start in spring 2023



https://connect.ncdot.gov/municipalities/PlanningGrants/Pages/IMD-Feasibility-Studies-Program.aspx U

Paved Trails & Sidewalks Feasibility Study Grant Program Selected Communities



Safe Routes to School – Non-Infrastructure Grant Program

- Call for applications ended on Monday February 6th for three-year grant program
 - IIJA codified program and setup structure for funding with TAP and legacy SAFETU funds.
- Applications are currently under review
 - Just over \$5.2 million in grant requests
- Anticipate award announcements in March or April 2023.



Bicycle Helmet Initiative

- Call for applications ended on Friday February 3rd
- Applications are currently under review internally
 - New record of 290 applications submitted and over 22,000 helmets requested in the program
- Anticipate award announcements in March or April 2023.
- BHI recipient report from 2022 is being finalized





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FY2024 TDM Grant Call for Applications



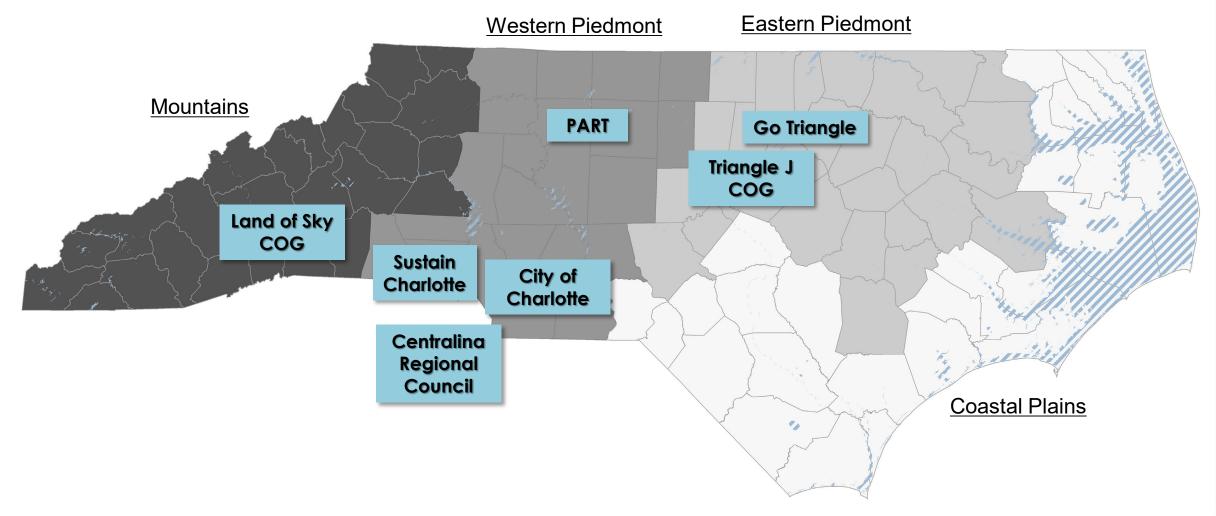
TDM Strategies Overview

Strategies aimed at providing travelers with travel choices such as work location, route, and time and mode of travel to optimize all modes within the transportation system to help reduce single occupancy vehicle (SOV) trips



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Currently Funded TDM Partners



Eligible Funding Activities

- The TDM program funds up to 50% of total program administration expenses.
 - Marketing efforts/activities
 - Coordination with local planning efforts
 - Facilitating ride matching through ShareTheRideNC
 - Promoting Best Workplaces for Commuters program
 - Collecting & reporting of data
 - Planning work related to the development of a TDM Plan
- Capital expenses & funding for prizes, incentives, food for events/meetings are not eligible

Key Dates

Dates	Task/Event
Feb-15-2023	TDM application materials posted to NCDOT website
Mar-17-2023	Deadline for FY 2024 TDM applications & budget to be submitted in EBS
May-2023	FY 2024 TDM Projects presented to NC Board of Transportation
Jul-1-2023	Beginning of State fiscal year & Period of Performance for FY 2024 TDM programs

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Transportation Demand Management (TDM)

Transportation Demand Management (TDM) programs promote the use of all transportation options available, rather than defaulting to single occupant vehicle use. Included among these travel options are carpooling, vanpooling, teleworking, transit, bicycle, flexible work hours, compressed work weeks and parking policies/pricing structures. The NCDOT Integrated Mobility Division (IMD) funds TDM programs to continue supporting the provisions of the Ambient Air Quality Improvement Act of 1999, Senate Bill 953, which addressed concerns over ground level ozone pollution from motor vehicles and the need to deal with increasing vehicle miles traveled (VMT) and NOx emissions. The bill established a goal of reducing the growth of commuter VMT in the state by 25 percent from 2000 until 2009 and that goal was achieved. Continuing strides have been made in the years following this achievement.

Grant Application Call for Projects

N	Application	Deadline		
\geq	FY23 TDM Application Package		Deadline March 18th	

PTD – Document Library

Resource documents and materials for Business Partners and Transit Providers.

PTD – Quick Links

PTD Intern & Apprenticeship Program Video

Statewide Benefits of Transit by Transit System

Volkswagen Settlement

GIS and Mapping

NCDOT Approved Product List Portal

BOT Agenda Website

Employee Directory Staff contacts for Integrated Mobility Division.

Application Deadline – March 17, 2023

FY 2024 TDM Application Materials

- $\,\circ\,$ Application Overview and Guidance
- Application Checklist
- Program Resolution
- Program Funding Justification Form
- $\,\circ\,$ Local Share Certification
- \circ TDM Scorecard
- UEI Verification Instructions
- Annual TDM Plan Template

For Questions or Assistance

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Other Updates & Reminders

FTA Discretionary Grant Released

- Areas of Persistent Poverty Program FY 2023 Notice of Funding
 Opportunity
 - Under the AoPP Program, eligible projects are planning, engineering, or development of technical or financing plans for projects eligible under Chapter 53 of title 49, United States Code that will assist Areas of Persistent Poverty or Historically Disadvantaged Communities.
 - For example, these activities may include planning, engineering, or development of technical or financing plans for improved transit services; new transit routes; engineering for transit facilities and improvements to existing facilities; innovative technologies; planning for low or no emission buses; planning for a new bus facility or intermodal center that supports transit services; integrated fare collections systems; or coordinated public transit human service transportation plans to improve transit service in an Area of Persistent Poverty or Historically Disadvantaged Community
 - Survey responses due February 10

FTA Discretionary Grant Released: 5339 (b) & (c)

- FY23 Low or No Emission Grant Program & the Grants for Buses and Bus Facilities Competitive Program
- Survey responses due February 15

Low-No Program

Eligible projects include:

- purchasing or leasing low- or no-emission buses
- constructing facilities and related equipment (including intelligent technology and software) for low- or no-emission buses
- constructing new public transportation facilities to accommodate low- or no-emission buses
- rehabilitating or improving existing public transportation facilities to accommodate low- or no-emission buses

Bus & Bus Facilities Program

Capital projects to:

- Replace buses, vans, and related equipment
- Construct bus-related facilities

NCDOT IMD FY23 Partner Survey Overview

- Later this month, IMD will launch a survey to determine stakeholder and partner satisfaction with IMD staff, programs, processes, activities, achievements and strategies.
- Open February 27 March 10, 2023
- Available online via PublicInput.com
- Takes 15-20 minutes to complete
- Results will be compiled and shared by IMD
- Results will help IMD make improvements to better meet stakeholder and partner needs



IMD SmartSheet Links for Transit Systems

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This page will list commonly used SmartSheet Links will doing business with IMD. Please send any questions to Timothy Blair Chambers, Jr., Compliance & Procurement Branch Manager, Integrated Mobility Division, North Carolina Department of Transportation, 919-707-4693 (office) or tbchambers@ncdot.gov.

General/Surveys

I Provide feedback from Transit Calls and Ideas for training topics here.

Wehicle Rebuild Waiver Survey (Closes 01/13/23)

& HOPE Grant Project - Mountains to Sea: Electrifying North Carolina's Transit Fleets Webinar (Jan 17)

ONCOOT-IMD Presents "Claim Submittal 101" (Jan 12)

@ Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Stakeholders Meeting (Jan 10)

ROAP Reports

ROAP Report Entry (Monthly)

Charter Reports

Charter Report Quarterly Submission (new)

Transit Activity Reporting

Accident/Incident Reporting (Active)

Vehicle Related Reporting Wehicle Disposition Tracking (Coming Soon)

Transit Communication Hub

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Transit Communication Hub

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Со	Communications							
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	2/7/2023	野Y23 5339 Survey of Interest #	Announcements					
	2/6/2023	TLDP Registration - Spring 2023 #	Training					
	1/30/2023	FY2024 Application Certs and Assurances Package	Announcements					
	1/30/2023	Areas of Persistent Poverty Program FY2023 Notice of Funding Opportunity 🗱	Announcements					

QUESTIONS



Previous slides, recordings and FAQs:

https://connect.ncdot.gov/business/Tran sit/Pages/Transit-Meeting-Resources.aspx

Provide feedback and ideas for topics:

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