

NORTH CAROLINA

Department of Transportation



Integrated Mobility Division Transit Systems Call

May 20, 2020

AGENDA

- Welcome
- Update on CARES Act Implementation
- Allowable Expense Resources
- ROAP/SMAP Policy Changes
- Vehicle Procurement
- NCDOT Revenue Issues/Impacts
- Web Resources
- Future Calls
- Questions

CARES Act Update

- Schedule
- Application Steps
- Agreement Process
- System Application Status



Revised Subrecipient Timeline

Activity	Date
Allocation and application released to transit systems	April 20-25, 2020
Enter FTA application in TrAMS	April 20, 2020
FTA Review	Apr 27, 2020
DOL Certification (3 days) expedited	April 28, 2020
FTA Final Concurrence/Reservation	April 29, 2020
Subrecipients apply for Funding	April 30- May 15, 2020
TrAMS award set up in SAP	May 4, 2020
Fund WBS elements accounts	May 5-6, 2020
IMD begins to issue contracts to Subrecipients	May 18, 2020
DocuSign workflow/ Convert Applications to Agreements	May 18, 2020 - upon receipt
IMD claims processing from transit systems into EBS	7-10 days
FTA reimbursement once submitted	2 days

Application Steps



L1- MDS approved



L2- Program Mgmt Approved



L3- Application remain here until signed contract is received from Subrecipient and Deputy Secretary has signed contract and attached in EBS



L4- Finance Mgmt Approved – verification of contract, account # and \$



L5 – Assist Director approval and pinning of application; application then goes to Finance

Agreement Process



L1 – Finance Mgmt converts application to Agreement



L2 - Assist. Director approves Agreement



L3 – Contract Mgmt Approval



Finance sends subrecipient signed agreement via DocuSign and system can begin invoicing

5311 CARES Act Applications

- 71 out of 78 applications submitted in EBS
 - 4 L1 Approved
 - 56 L2 approved
 - 1 L4 approved
 - 2 Returned to Subrecipients for correction
 - 8 Submitted and waiting approval

5307 CARES Act Applications

- Total of 10 applications submitted in EBS
 - 5 Submitted and waiting review
 - 5 L2 approved
 - 2 In process by SR but never submitted

Allowable Expense Resources

- [Frequently Asked Questions from FTA Grantees Regarding Coronavirus Disease 2019 \(COVID-19\)](#)
- [Emergency Relief Manual - \(49 USC 5324\)](#)
- [FTA Circular 9040.1G](#)

Emergency Relief Manual

Not allowed - *Projects for which funds were obligated in an FTA grant prior to the declared emergency or major disaster – Operating (prior to 1/20/2020) and Capital (FY20 Grants)*

Emergency Relief Manual

Allowed –operating expenses and capital costs after Jan 20, 2020 directly related to COVID-19

- *expenses directly related to responding to COVID-19*
- *operating expenses not directly related to responding to COVID-19, including maintaining regular or reduced service, at the standard Federal share for those recipients that are normally eligible for operating assistance.*
- *operating assistance projects and capital projects that do not involve a substantial change to the function, location, or capacity of an asset (must document)*

FTA Circular 9040.1G

- ***Eligible capital expenses** include the acquisition, construction, and improvement of public transit facilities and equipment needed for a safe, efficient, and coordinated public transportation system*

FTA Circular 9040.1G

Operating expenses are those costs directly related to system operations. At a minimum: fuel, oil, drivers' salaries and fringe benefits, dispatcher salaries and fringe benefits, and licenses.

- May include some maintenance and other non-operating expenses (project admin) for 5311 purposes.

Only net operating expenses are eligible for assistance.

SMAP/ROAP Policy Change (Due May 29)

- Remaining SMAP/ROAP Payments do not need to be returned
- Must be signed by County Manager and Transit Director
 - Regional Systems: Executive Director and System Board Chair
- 62/128 received to date
 - 61 Keep/ 1 Return
- SMAP Systems lagging behind ROAP

FY20 Vehicle Procurement

Delays due to
plant
shutdowns/
COVID-19

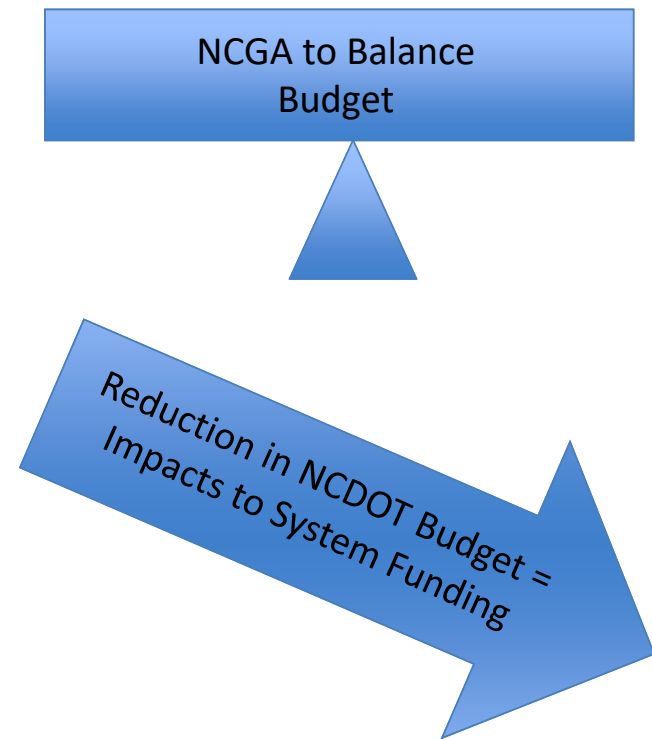
70 vehicles yet
to be delivered

- 5311: 13 systems
- 5339: 6 systems

Internal
Administrative
POP Extension

NCDOT Revenue Issues

- Effects of COVID-19 on Cash Flow
 - Down \$300M in FY20
 - Predicted down \$370M in FY21
- FY20 Snow and Ice
 - Reduction in FY21 IMD budget
- Furloughs



COVID-19 Web Resources

[https://connect.ncdot.gov/
business/Transit](https://connect.ncdot.gov/business/Transit)

The screenshot shows the 'Connect NCDOT BUSINESS PARTNER RESOURCES' website. The navigation bar includes 'Home', 'Help', 'Team Sites', and 'Site Map'. A search bar is present. The main menu has categories like 'Doing Business', 'Bidding & Letting', 'Projects', 'Resources', and 'Local Governments'. The 'Public Trans' category is highlighted, with sub-links for 'Prequalify', 'Small Business', 'Consultants', 'Directory of Firms', 'Trucking', 'Fleet & Material Mgmt', 'DMV', 'Public Trans', 'Purchasing', 'ROW', and 'Turnpike'. The page title is 'COVID-19-Response Coronavirus/COVID-19 Response'. The breadcrumb trail is 'Connect NCDOT > Doing Business > Public Trans > COVID-19-Response'. The main content area features a 'CARES Act Transit Funding Dashboard' with a 'smartsheet' link. Below this is the 'NCDOT-IMD's CARES ACT 2020 DASHBOARD' with a detailed text block and a 'Tentative Subrecipient Timeline' table. On the right, there are sections for 'COVID-19 Response FAQs' with a 'Frequently Asked Questions' button, 'CARES Act Grant Application' with a 'CARES Act Grants' button, and 'Resource Links' with links to 'NCDOT's Coronavirus FAQ Question Intake Survey', 'FTA Novel Coronavirus (COVID 19) Landing Page', and 'FTA Safety Advisory 20-01'.

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COVID-19-Response

Coronavirus/COVID-19 Response

Connect NCDOT > Doing Business > Public Trans > COVID-19-Response

CARES Act Transit Funding Dashboard

CARES Act Transit Funding Dashboard : [smartsheet](#)

NCDOT-IMD's CARES ACT 2020 DASHBOARD

On Friday, March 27, President Trump signed the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act into law. The Federal Transit Administration is allocating \$25 billion to recipients of urbanized area and rural area formula funds, with \$22.7 billion to large and small urban areas and \$2.2 billion to rural areas. Funding will be provided at a 100-percent federal share, with no local match required, and will be available to support capital, operating, and other expenses generally eligible under those programs to prevent, prepare for, and respond to COVID-19.

Operating expenses incurred beginning on January 20, 2020 for all rural and urban recipients, even those in large urban areas, are also eligible, including operating expenses to maintain transit services as well as paying for administrative leave for transit personnel due to reduced operations during an emergency.

Tentative Subrecipient Timeline

Activity	Date
Allocation and application released to transit systems	April 20-22, 2020
Enter FTA application in TRAMS	April 20, 2020
Subrecipients apply for Funding	April 20-30, 2020

COVID-19 Response FAQs

[Frequently Asked Questions](#)

CARES Act Grant Application

[CARES Act Grants](#)

Resource Links

- [NCDOT's Coronavirus FAQ Question Intake Survey](#)
- [FTA Novel Coronavirus \(COVID 19\) Landing Page](#)
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Future Calls

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Continue with Scheduled Time

- May cancel if no new content

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Move to Bi-weekly then monthly

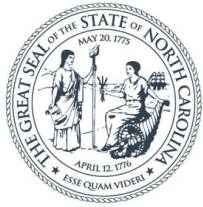
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Post COVID

- Continue with guest presenters and continuing content of interest to Transit Systems

QUESTIONS?





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