



DECISION PROCESS FOR FUNDING DIVISION OF TRANSPORTATION PERFORMANCE PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS

Purpose

The Department is committed to engaging local communities and stakeholders to the greatest extent possible in all funding decisions and project selections. Funding and projects shall support a “locally driven” statewide system of mobility that is coordinated, accessible, efficient, and effective. To be efficient and effective, mobility management efforts and entities must balance and coordinate the customers’ individual and various needs with providing the most services possible at the least possible cost, as appropriate to the area they serve.

This policy communicates the decision making process of the Division of Transportation Performance for funding public transportation projects where the Division has administrative responsibilities.

Legal Authority

Idaho Code Section 40-514 – Public Transportation Services Council and Interagency Working Group created.

Statewide Mobility Structure

Non-Metropolitan Local Mobility Management Network (LMMN): Seventeen non-metropolitan local mobility management regions exist throughout Idaho and make up the statewide non-metropolitan mobility management network. These regions have been established and are coordinated by individuals, stakeholders, and local leaders, and provide mobility management services within a meaningful geographic service area. These service regions are specifically intended to intersect with neighboring mobility network service areas.

District Coordination Council (DCC): Six District Coordination Councils (DCCs) align with the ITD District structure, and are comprised of a diverse group of stakeholders. DCCs provide district-level leadership in supporting the mobility planning and coordination efforts within the LMMN in their respective districts. DCCs are responsible for ensuring coordination of public transportation and mobility services and projects for the LMMNs and coordination within and between districts and neighboring states. In addition, the DCCs are responsible for evaluating and recommending local and district-wide mobility projects for funding under the oversight of the Idaho Transportation Department, Division of Transportation Performance.

Public Transportation Advisory Council (PTAC): The PTAC is an advisory group established in Section 40-514, Idaho Code to advise the Idaho Transportation Department on needs and priorities for public transportation.

Decision-Making Process

- Each DCC shall consider local priorities and system performance from a district-wide perspective, and forward funding recommendations to the PTAC.

- The PTAC shall then review the DCC funding recommendations and system performance from a statewide perspective and take action on final funding recommendations.
- The PTAC shall then send all final funding recommendations to the Idaho Transportation Department for Idaho Transportation Board action. The Board shall make the final decision.

Signed _____

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