

SPECIAL SESSION OF THE IDAHO TRANSPORTATION BOARD

September 12, 2016

Idaho Transportation Board Chairman Jerry Whitehead called a special session of the Idaho Transportation Board at 3:00 PM on Monday, September 12, 2016. The following principals were present at the Idaho Transportation Department in Boise, Idaho:

Jerry Whitehead, Chairman  
Larry Allen, Lead Deputy Attorney General  
Sue S. Higgins, Executive Assistant and Secretary to the Board

The following participated via teleconference:

Jim Coleman, Member – District 1  
Janice B. Vassar, Member – District 2  
Julie DeLorenzo, Member – District 3  
Jim Kempton, Member – District 4  
Dwight Horsch, Member – District 5

Chairman Whitehead called the special session at the advice of counsel to re-address the redistribution of FY16 Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) obligation authority as a specific agenda item. The Board addressed this item as a new business item in an earlier special Board meeting.

Redistribution of FY16 FHWA Obligation Authority. Chief Operations Officer (COO) Jim Carpenter said Idaho received \$21,747,998 in redistributed obligation authority for FY16. This brings Idaho's total obligation authority to \$297.1 million, or 102.2% of FY16 formula apportionments. Following Board Policy 4028 Allocation of Federal Formula Highway Apportionments to Local Public Agencies, which limits redistribution to local public agencies to 100% federal aid, would redistribute \$15.3 million to all programs, leaving \$6.4 million in available funds. COO Carpenter recommends using the one-time funds for safety projects for all modes on both the state and local system.

Member DeLorenzo made a motion, seconded by Member Vassar, and passed unopposed, to approve the following resolution, ratifying the previous action taken on this matter at the special meeting held on September 7, 2016:

RES. NO.        WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Idaho Transportation Board to effectively  
ITB16-39        utilize all available federal funding; and

WHEREAS, safety of the travelling public is of primary concern and a core mission of the Board; and

WHEREAS, serious injury and fatal crashes increased dramatically during calendar year 2015 nationwide, regionally, and within Idaho; and

WHEREAS, the State was notified on August 31, 2016 of \$21,748,000 additional Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) FY16 obligation authority (OA) provided through redistribution.

*NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED*, that \$15,324,000 of the \$21,748,000 FY16 August Redistribution required to fully fund Idaho's \$290,669,000 FY16 formula apportionment be allotted among Idaho's transportation programs as prescribed by Board policies and federal regulations; and

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED*, that \$6,424,000 of the total \$21,748,000 FY16 August Redistribution, which provides OA in excess of Idaho's FY16 formula apportionment, be targeted at programs that enhance safety of the travelling public across surface modes, specifically;

- \$2,500,000 federal OA to the Strategic Initiatives Program
- \$2,500,000 federal OA to the Local Highway Safety Improvement Program
- \$1,424,000 federal OA to the Transportation Alternatives Program; and

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED*, that alignment of this targeted funding be accomplished through;

- Obligation of \$6,424,000 FY16 FHWA OA during FY16 by the Idaho Transportation Department in state highway system programs, and
- Allotment of FY17 FHWA OA to realign OA on a one time basis among the following programs during FY17;
  - \$-6,424,000 reduction in federal OA to core state highway system programs
  - \$2,500,000 increase in federal OA to the Strategic Initiatives Program
  - \$2,500,000 increase in federal OA to the Local Highway Safety Improvement Program
  - \$1,424,000 increase in federal OA to the Transportation Alternatives Program; and
- FY17 OA allotments to the Transportation Management Area are to reflect a collective increase of \$211,000 (combined federal OA, with match) above standard OA allotments, through these one-time FY17 OA realignments; and

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED*, that the FY17 one-time increase in OA to the Transportation Alternatives Program be targeted for use on projects aimed at reducing serious injury accidents and fatalities of cyclists and pedestrians per criteria used in the Highway Safety Improvement Program; and

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED*, that the FY17 one-time increase in OA to the Strategic Initiatives Program, the Local Highway Safety Improvement Program, and the Transportation Alternatives Program be obligated on or before August 1, 2017. Failure to obligate the additional one-time FY17 OA within these programs by August 1, 2017 will result in the unobligated balance being transferred for use in state highway programs during FY17; and

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED*, that these decisions are to be incorporated within the FY17 – FY21 Idaho Transportation Investment Program as projects are identified.

WHEREUPON the special session of the Transportation Board adjourned at 3:05 PM.

Read and Approved  
September 22, 2016  
Shoshone, Idaho

signed  
Jerry Whitehead, Chairman  
Idaho Transportation Board