



IDAHO TRANSPORTATION INVESTMENT PROGRAM

Purpose

This policy directs the Department to establish, maintain, and publish a five year Idaho Transportation Investment Program following all applicable Departmental policies and federal regulations.

Legal Authority

- Idaho Code 21-142 – Authority of Board to design, construct and maintain state aeronautical facilities.
- Idaho Code 40-310(4) – Authority of Board to locate, design, construct and maintain state highways.
- Idaho Code 40-310(6) – The Board shall cause to be made and kept surveys, studies, maps, plans, specifications, and estimates for construction and maintenance of state highways.
- Idaho Code 40-312(1) – The Board shall prescribe rules and regulations affecting state highways.
- Idaho Code 40-312(2) – Authority of Board to promulgate rules for the expenditure of all moneys appropriated or allocated by law to the Department or the Board.
- Idaho Code 40-312(3) – The Board shall make reasonable regulations for the installation, construction, maintenance, repair, renewal and relocation of utilities in or along the right-of-way of state highways.
- Idaho Code 40-707 - Appropriation of money in the state highway account.
- Idaho Code 40-708 – Legislative policy regarding expenditure from the state highway account – only for state highway purposes.
- 23 United States Code Sections 134 and 135 – Metropolitan transportation planning.
- 23 Code of Federal Register Part 450 – Federal planning assistance and standards for statewide planning and programming.
- 49 Code of Federal Register Part 613 – Planning assistance and standards.

The Idaho Transportation Board is committed to effective and full use of all available transportation improvement funds. To meet this public commitment, a five-year Transportation Investment Program (hereafter called Program) shall be established and maintained by the Chief Operations Officer and the Chief Administrative Officer. The Program shall be a planned schedule for developing and contracting transportation improvement projects in designated fiscal years. The Program shall include both public and private funding available for use on transportation improvement projects. Department resources and funding for the selected projects in the approved Program shall remain continuously committed to the maximum extent possible.

The Program shall be established and maintained following applicable Department policies and federal regulations regarding updating and amending a Statewide Transportation Improvement Program. This includes, but is not limited to, cooperation in establishing the metropolitan Transportation Improvement Programs, public involvement, fiscal constraint, inclusion of required transportation modes, and federal approval.

Program and project recommendations and scheduling shall be based on prioritized needs, funding projections, and resource availability. The Idaho Transportation Board shall select the projects to be included in the Program based on realistic plans and estimates of funding and other resources. The Program shall be updated and submitted for Board approval at least once annually following a period of public comment.

The Director shall coordinate, publish, and distribute the Program document to stakeholders in cooperation with the Chief Administrative Officer, the Chief Operations Officer, the Aeronautics Administrator, and each Metropolitan Planning Organization. The federal format of the Program shall be distributed to the FHWA and FTA for approval. No work may begin nor costs incurred prior to applicable approvals.

The Director or his designee is authorized to add/remove or advance/delay projects to the approved Pavement, Bridge, or Strategic Initiatives Programs as warranted by the Department's management systems, provided such changes further the goals of those programs and remain within the annual funding levels targeted for each program. Otherwise, mid-year changes to the Program which involve a major scope change to an existing project require Board consent. These changes may also require an amendment as applicable in federal regulations.

Funds received as a result of Redistribution of Obligation Authority Not Used by Other States increase the obligation limit and shall be distributed between the ITD and Local Agencies based on the percentages of funding in Board policy 4028 up to the amount of the original apportionment. Projects to be considered for advancement on the local system must be ready for advertisement including all agreements and local match by August 1st and presented at the August Board Meeting for prioritization and Board approval.

The use of Department resources and funding on transportation improvement projects that are not included in the Program shall not be allowed.

Approved by the Board on:

Signed

Jerry Whitehead
Board Chairman

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