



PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM

Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to outline the Department's role in supporting public transportation throughout the State.

Legal Authority

Idaho Code 40-514 - Defines Department support for public transportation services and the Public Transportation Advisory Council and Interagency Working Group.


The Idaho Transportation Board is committed to improving the efficiency and productivity of publicly funded transportation services in presently served areas of the state, and further, seek ways and means to extend needed services to un-served or underserved areas. The Idaho Transportation Department's role in public transportation is to:

- Promote, support, and administer federal and state funding for public/private transportation systems and services that will enhance the mobility choices of Idaho citizens.
 - Promote and facilitate public/private partnerships.
 - Encourage and assist state, regional, and local governmental agencies in
 - coordinating and reducing duplication of public transportation services,
 - mitigating congestion, and attaining air quality goals through expanded programs and services, and
 - forming and operating regional public transportation authorities.
 - Work through the Public Transportation Advisory Council and the Interagency Working Group to analyze public transportation needs, and identify opportunities to coordinate strategies and public transportation services at the state level.
 - Assist stakeholders in understanding federal and state regulatory and administrative processes as well as Department directives. Assist in compliance actions, using available processes and procedures to promote efficiency and effectiveness in public transportation services.
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- Collect service level, revenue, expense, and performance data from public transportation providers, and report performance metrics to all stakeholders and state, regional, and local leadership.
- Utilize appropriate performance management systems to provide data to state, regional, and local decision makers to assist them in generating increased efficiencies and cost savings.
- Represent the state of Idaho in discussions with neighboring states regarding interstate mobility needs and choices.
- Maintain a comprehensive statewide plan for public transportation.

Approved by the Board on:

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