Kootenai Metropolitan Planning Organization

Kootenai County Application for Funding

Federal Transit Administration Section 5339 Bus and Capital Facilities Funding into and within the Coeur d' Alene Urbanized Area

Notice of Opportunity For Public Comment

Kootenai Metropolitan Planning Organization (KMPO), as the metropolitan planning organization (MPO) for Kootenai County, works in collaboration with the Idaho Transportation Department and the other four MPO's around the State of Idaho to provide funding for Bus and Capital Facilities that support public transportation through the Federal Transit Administration's Bus and Capital Facilities Program (Section 5339). The purpose of these funds is to provide capital improvement that remove barriers to transportation service and expanding opportunities for transportation mobility options. These program funds support transportation improvements within smaller urbanized areas in the State of Idaho with a population between 50,000 and 200,000. Eligible projects include both traditional capital investments, as well as nontraditional capital investments that support the utilization of public transportation.

Application Request:

This application for funds from the Federal Transit Administration Small Urban Section 5339 program, is to acquire and construct two (2) passenger shelters as models for the comprehensive plan, which will include a broader range investment plan. The passenger shelters will be located on Seltice (Seltice & Huetter) and on Atlas Road (Panhandle Health). The comprehensive plan for shelters along all routes is to be completed in coordination with the local jurisdictions, to include city administrators, engineers, and right-of-way staff. Citylink staff will provide bus stop ridership usage information for each stop. Public input will be sought on the comprehensive plan when completed.

Connections to existing adjacent pedestrian facilities, ancillary and/or complimentary facilities that will need to be constructed to make effective use of the shelter (additional sidewalks, etc.), will be determined during the design and engineering phase. All FTA regulations governing bus shelter standards for ADA accessibility will be incorporated into the design, to include access to the shelter by persons using mobility aides, with good spatial connection to the lift on the bus. Bus boarding and alighting areas will be in compliance with ADA Guidelines (Section 810.2), with sturdy surfaces, dimensions of no smaller than 96" long and 60" wide, with connections to sidewalks, streets, and pedestrian paths, with a slope not steeper than 1:48, and marked with appropriate signage.

Approval Process:

Kootenai County's application is an unsolicited application for funding. As such, this project review and 30 day comment period will be to provide an opportunity for public comment on the application itself, as well as the subsequent consideration for approval and inclusion into the 2019-2025 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and ITD Section 5339 Program of Projects (POP).

Funding Request:

Panhandle Health Bus Shelter: \$	37,000
FTA Section 5339 Funding: \$	34,500
Non Federal Funding: \$	7,400
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Seltice & Huetter Bus Shelter: \$	47,000
FTA Section 5339 Funding: \$	37,600
Non Federal Funding: \$	9,400

Relevant Information:

Comment Period: The comment period will be open from June 25, 2019 until July 25, 2019, 5:00 p.m. PDT.

Copy of Kootenai County Funding Application Request: The request can be found on the KMPO website at www.kmpo.net, by contacting KMPO at (208) 930-4164 or emailing kmpo@kmpo.net

Funding Availability: Funding to support the application request is within the existing Federal appropriations for FTA Section 5339 for smaller designated urbanized areas in Idaho. Kootenai County has stipulated there are sufficient funds to support the local matching requirements for the project, if approved by the KMPO Board and the Idaho Transportation Department.

Contact for additional information or questions:

Since KMPO conducts the Section 5339 Small Urban call for projects of behalf of the ITD Public Transportation Office, you can contact Glenn Miles at gmiles@kmpo.net (208) 930-4164

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