

# Kootenai Metropolitan Planning Organization

## Kootenai County Application for Funding

### Riverstone Transit Center Phase 2

#### 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 complete Phase 2 construction of the Riverstone Transit Center located at 2400 Riverstone Drive in Coeur d' Alene, ID. This phase includes

1. Completion of the Park & Ride lot located on the west side of the transit Center
2. Complete connections to existing adjacent pedestrian facilities, ancillary and/or complimentary facilities that will need to be constructed to make effective use of the site.
3. ADA accessibility will be incorporated into the design, to include access to the Center in compliance with ADA Guidelines.
4. Electric vehicle docking stations.
5. Landscaping, fencing, lighting, security cameras, signage, and site amenities
6. Construction of a 10 foot by 20 foot grounds maintenance structure to store small maintenance equipment.

**NOTICE:**

Kootenai County has also requested an amendment to the adopted site development plan, which would allow for construction of permanent overnight public transit vehicle bus parking/storage facilities to support:

1. four (4) fixed route vehicles (buses).
2. Six (6) paratransit vehicles
3. Related facilities and infrastructure necessary for storage such as
  - a. Construction of a canopy to cover stored vehicles
  - b. Electrification for stored vehicles (block heaters).

This notice also provides an opportunity for public comment on the requested amendment to revise the adopted site location study to include the addition of permanent overnight bus/vehicle storage as part of the application process.

**Approval Process:**

Kootenai County’s application is an unsolicited application for funding. As such, this project review, and requested site plan amendment will have a 30 day comment period will be to provide an opportunity for public comment on the application itself, the site plan amendment, as well as the subsequent consideration for approval and inclusion into the 2020-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and ITD Section 5339 Program of Projects (POP).

**Funding Information:**

Project Management \$ <u>12,000</u>	FTA Section 5339 Funds \$680,000
Design & Engineering \$ <u>73,000</u>	<u>Local Matching Funds \$170,000</u>
Construction Mgmt. \$ <u>25,000</u>	<b>Total Grant Request <u>\$850,000</u></b>
Construction <u>\$740,000</u>	
<b><u>Total Project Cost \$850,000</u></b>	

**Relevant Information:**

**Comment Period:** The comment period will be open from January 14, 2020 until February 14, 2020, 5:00 p.m. PST. Comments must be sent to **KMPO – 250 Northwest Blvd, Suite 209, Coeur d’ Alene, ID 83814** or emailed to [kmpo@kmpo.net](mailto:kmpo@kmpo.net)

**Copy of Kootenai County Funding Application Request:** The request can be found on the KMPO website at [www.kmpo.net](http://www.kmpo.net) , by contacting KMPO at (208) 930-4164 or email [kmpo@kmpo.net](mailto: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 available 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:**

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](mailto:gmiles@kmpo.net) (208) 930-4164

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