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DATE: September 20, 2017
TO: Transportation Commission
FROM: Mark Imhoff, Director - Division of Transit & Rail
SUBJECT: 2018 FTA Section 5311 Redistribution Process

Purpose

The purpose of this memo is to provide a status update for the FTA Section 5311 distribution process.

Action

Informational only, no action requested

Background

FTA Section 5311 funds are an important source of funds allocated, currently, to thirty rural general public transportation agencies across the state. The majority of the funds, nearly 70 percent, are used for annual transit operations. The remainder are used for capital projects, intercity transportation, and CDOT administration.

In April the Transportation Commission approved the Subcommittee distribution methodology for one year and requested the Subcommittee continue meeting to address issues raised by Commissioners related to equity and multi-county organizations. DTR staff used the new methodology to make award decisions for 2018.

Details

The Subcommittee has continued to meet at least monthly since the April approval. Commissioner Hofmeister attended the June meeting and described the Commission's concerns, and will continue stay involved in the process at appropriate milestones.

DTR staff and the Subcommittee have identified three new methodology scenarios for 2019 to potentially address the equity concerns expressed by the TC. Staff is working to obtain data and will meet with the Subcommittee and Commissioner Hofmeister in October to review results.

Next Steps

The Subcommittee, with Commissioner Hofmeister's input, will continue to meet over the fall to address outstanding items that were identified in the approval.

