



DATE: July 10, 2018
TO: Transit and Rail Advisory Committee
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SUBJECT: FTA 5304 Planning Grant Awards

The purpose of this memo is to provide information on the FTA 5304 Planning applications, the evaluation process, and the projects awarded.

The Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for the 5304 planning funds was released on January 30, 2018. We received eleven 5304 planning applications by the deadline of March 16, 2018. After an initial screening of the applications and further questioning, two of the applicants withdrew their request: Envida (they would rather complete the plan on their own), and Northwest Colorado Center for Independence (they were looking for operating funds).

For this grant award cycle, which includes two federal fiscal years (2017 and 2018), we have \$445,669 in funds available. For the nine remaining applications, we received a total request of \$645,800. RFTA, which requested nearly half of that amount, was planning to use CMAQ funds flexed to FTA. However, because the flexing option became unavailable, RFTA will only be eligible for the maximum grant amount, \$40,000. With RFTA eligible for a smaller award, the total funds requested was reduced to \$340,200.

The applications were reviewed and scored by a team made up of representatives from various departments within CDOT including DTR, DTD, and the Office of Civil Rights. All of the remaining projects were recommended to receive an award, with RFTA eligible for \$40,000 instead of their initial request of \$345,600.

The following tables provides a quick summary of all of the projects and the project budgets.

Agency	Funding Requested	Local Funding	Total Cost	Project Description
Breckenridge	\$35,000.00	\$45,000.00	\$80,000.00	Master Transit Plan
Glenwood Springs	\$32,000.00	\$8,000.00	\$40,000.00	On-Demand/Flex Service Plan
Larimer County	\$40,000.00	\$16,000.00	\$56,000.00	County-Level Umbrella Transportation Program
Mountain Metro	\$40,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$50,000.00	2045 Regional Transit Plan
Mountain Metro	\$40,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$50,000.00	North Nevada Avenue Corridor Plan.
Neighbor to Neighbor	\$33,200.00	\$6,640.00	\$39,840.00	Service in The San Luis Valley along Highway 285
RFTA	\$40,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$50,000.00	Parking and Congestion Mitigation Study
SMART	\$40,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$50,000.00	Phase II of Strategic Operating Plan
Summit County	\$40,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$50,000.00	5-Year Transit Operations Plan