

SB 09-108 Funding Advancement for Surface Transportation and Economic Recovery (FASTER)

- \$5M/year Local Transit Projects
- \$10M/year Statewide, Interregional, Regional Transit Projects

• 5 year History

- FY 2010-2012
- FY 2013
- FY 2014 (current fiscal year)

Project Award Practice

• \$5M Local Pool

- Competitive at the Region Level
- Formula Based Distribution to Engineering Regions
- Regions with MPO/TPRs make award recommendations

• \$10M Statewide Pool

• Competitive at a statewide level

• FY 2014/15 cycle

- Two year cycle to allow better planning
- FY 2014 project awards TC approval February 2013
- FY 2015 "preliminary" awards

FY 2015 Award Process

- Combined Capital Call-for-Projects
 - FASTER Local & Statewide pools
 - FTA capital programs
 - Comprehensive assessment and programming

• Total capital pool - \$18.78M

- FASTER \$5.0M Local/\$6.0M Statewide
 - × Excludes \$3.0M allocated to IX Bus
- FTA \$7.78M Capital programs
- 109 applications/46 transit entities
 - × Totaling \$50.6M

• FY 2015 FASTER project recommendations

- Tables in TC packet
- Honor FY 2015 "preliminary" awards from FY 2014
 - Regions have agreed
- Projects added through competitive process

• FTA capital awards

• Finalized when funding becomes available

Guiding Principles

- Transit Utilization
 - Fund highest priority projects
- Transit Asset Condition Local Pool
 - Utilize capital inventory (on-going)
 - Focus on vehicle replacement program
- Transit Connectivity Statewide Pool
 - Interregional Express Bus annual allocation
 - Encourage locally provided regional service
 - Consider operating assistance
- Streamline distribution process

Recommendations

- Approve FY 2015 FASTER projects
 O Honor/"grandfather" FY 2015 projects (FY 2014 process)
- Establish guiding principles for future years
 FY 2016 implementation
 - Emphasize PD 14 Transit Performance Objectives
- Support FY 2016 redistribution development
 - TRAC Sub-Committee participation
 - Completed for TC approval by July 2014

