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Agenda

- Boilerplate Agreement Changes for 2025
- Statement of Work (SOW) -Changes for 2 025
- NEPA Process
- STIF Rule Change
- STIF Periodic Report
- Agency Periodic Reports (APR)

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- Federal Funding Information
- Reimbursement Request in Optis
- Required Backup documents
- Title VI
- Procurement
- Coordinated Plans
- Compliance
- Scholarships and Training

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Grant Awarded	Statement of Work Completed from Information on Grant Application	Support Analysts create agreement in OPTIS with Boil erplate & SOW	Agreement is sent to provider for signature	Provider returns agreement for PTD Administrator signature

Boilerplate Agreements

- What is a Boilerplate
- Boilerplate agreement language has been updated with 2025 grant agreements



Statements of Work (SOW) Changes 2025

AKA – Scope of Work

- NEPA
- Clarity on required reimbursement documents
- Clearer project milestones
- Project details needed for ODOT completion of FTA grant application

Complete Agreements Contain

Scope or Statement of Work (SOW)

- · Outlines the objectives, project details and timelines
- Accurate description explaining what services or deliverables
- · Budget and payment terms
- Performance réquirements
- Reporting requirements
- Established process for monitoring, frequency, format content of reports

Boilerplate

- Other considerations (liability, confidentiality, dispute resolution, indemnification)
- · Outlines specific laws or rules



NEPA Requirements - Overview

- The requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) apply to <u>all projects</u> that receive FTA funds
- ODOT/subrecipients must comply with all NEPA requirements and are responsible for providing NEPA documentation to FTA
- Most projects are CEs; NEPA documentation requirements for CFs vary
- Additional environmental studies may be required (e.g., cultural resource studies, hazmat, etc)



CE Classification

For projects that meet the criteria to be classified as a CE, FTA completes the NEPA process by classifying the project as a CE, in one of two ways:

1 Providing written confirmation that FTA has determined the project qualifies as a CE under NEPA (i.e., NEPA concurrence, CE concurrence, or CE determination)

2. Confirming the CE classification as part of the grant review process in TrAMS, using the information/documentation in the grant application



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Within CE concurrence (#1) reed NEPA documentation. Pojects not equiring
writen CE concurrence (#2) typl at ly do not need NEPA documentation beyond the grant
application itself.

What activities do not require written NEPA concurrence of the CE from FTA?

- · Operating assistance
- Planning activities
- Engineering, design, drafting environmental documents and completing environmental studies that do not require ground disturbance
- Preventative maintenance that involves NO physical changes and/or alterations to facilities or properties
- Purch as e o fequipment that is not an interdependent part of a larger project and can be accommed at ed in existing build $\log(s)$ or facility (-ies) with NO physical changes, alterations, or installation required

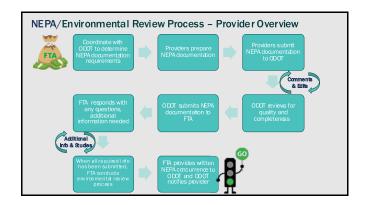


What activities require written NEPA concurrence of the CE from FTA?

- Final design activities includes design beyond 30%
- Property a quisition includes purchase discussions with property owners that imply or are explicitly
- Purchase of construction materials includes, but is not limited to, purchase of any materials used for the activities listed under the definition of project construction below
- Purchase of rolling stock "purchase" occurs when any funds are spent or when a commitment to purchase is made such that funds must be expended should the purchase be cancelled/modified
- Project onstruction FTA definition includes construction, alteration, or repair (including dredging, excavating, and painting) of buildings, structures, or other real property; excludes the assembly, alteration, or repair of vessels or other kinds of personal property.

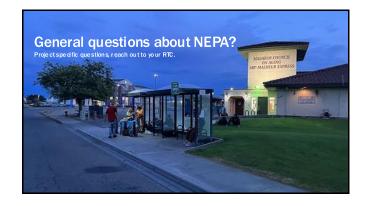






Examples of additional information/studies that may be needed Site Plan Section 106 Area of Potential Effect (APE) Archaeological or Historic Resource survey or report Section 7 of ESA Effect Determination Section 4(f) Identification of 4(f) properties and OWJ De mirimis impact determination Section 4(f) evaluation Hermination Traffic study Traffic study Examples only, not an exhaustvelistless Examples only, not an exhaustvelistless Tables Figure 1 Learning 1 Learning 1 Learning 2 Learning 2 Learning 2 Learning 2 Learning 3 Learning 3 Learning 3 Learning 4 Le

Important NEPA Considerations • Tming • Complete FTA submittal to NEPA concurrence = 6 to 10 months • Determining the full scope of a project for NEPA review purposes • NEPA prohibits dividing a project into smaller or separate projects to avoid appearance of significance or to avoid NEPA requirements (i.e., segmentation) • Projects must demonstrate independent utility, connect logical termini, and not restrict consideration of alternatives • Full scope of project for NEPA review may include local- or state-funded components and/or components from multiple different grants



$_{\mbox{\scriptsize survey}\,\#2}$ Who works on and completes the reports for your agency?

- (Check all that apply)
- A. Manager
- B. Accountant
- C. Finance Department
- D. Operations
- E. Multiple people
- F. I don't know



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STIF Rule Changes & Rule Advisory Committee

- New Requirements for 2025-2027 are signed agreements for the STIF Formula program.
- As part of our continuous improvement efforts to the STIF program, PTD has convened a Rules Advisory Committee.
- The committee will assist ODOT to develop STIF program rules updates to make policy and process improvements. Rules will go to OTC in 2026.
- The Rules Advisory Committee will be accepting public comments during meetings. You may also submit written comments by emailing STIF Program Analyst, Ben Goldberg. Written comments are encouraged and will be made part of the meeting record.



SPR Requirements

 Qualified Entities must record all STIF Plan activities quarterly in the STIF Plan Report (SPR). The reports are due no later than 45 days after the end of the quarter.



Common SPR Problems

- Lack of information about projects status
- Lack of back-up documentation for PTD to review expenditures
- Late reporting without notification to RTC or no reporting
- \bullet Not including vehicle information with expenditures recorded
- Not providing yearly reporting requirements
- Inconsistent and poor-quality data



Annual Reporting Requirements

- Annual Reporting
 - Agreed upon audit procedures-OAR 732-040-0015(2)
 - Budgets-OAR 732-040-0025(2)
 - Audits-OAR 732-040-0025(3)
 - Low-income mitigation-OAR 732-040-0025(1)
- Submit Audits, AUP and Budgets to <u>opporting@odot.oregon.gov</u>, Low-income mitigation is attached to the SPR



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$s_{unvey \# 3}$ What is the earliest you can submit your APR/SPR?

(Choose One)

- A. 45 days after the end of the quarter
- B. Anytime after the quarter ends
- C. We must report on grant funding?



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• WHAT IS AN AGENCY PERIODIC REPORT (APR)? *SPRs are also submitted in

- Required from each agency who:
 - Has received federal or state grant funds
 - Agencies operating a vehicle purchased using federal grantfunds
- APRs can be completed anytime prior to 45 days following the end of each quarter
- Your statement of work (SOW) outlines what information is needed for much of the APR

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What and Why of APR

- An APR gives details about:
 - Revenue
 - Expenses
 - Matching funds
 - Performance data
 - Vehicle data
 - Other narrative regarding grant agreements
 - Progress on deliverables in SOW

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- Complete reimbursement requests. Your agency cannot get paid without a current APR (exception is some capital expenses)
- Attest to your agencies on time reporting during site review
- General compliance



(Pick your top two) A. Data entry B. Attachments C. Understanding deadlines D. Clear direction on requirements E. Budget F. Asset report

APR Step by Step

- Log into OPTIS
- Select "Asset Search" from the navigation menu.
- At the find asset screen, leave all fields blank and click "Submit". This will pull up a current list of assets for your agency
- \bullet Compare this list with your records- update as needed
- If the assets record is incorrect or incomplete, contact your RTC
- Once all assets are verified, confirm that the current APR does not already exist in OPTIS



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Wizard Step 7 - Assets • Enter vehicle information, even if it has not • For your entire vehicle inventory • Number of vehicles in service · Number of spares or back ups Number of vehicles out of service For PTD-funded vehicles only Enter latest odometer reading, date of reading and condition of each vehicle Select "Out of Service" for any asset purchased with grant funds

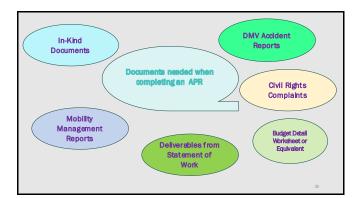


- If you answered yes to any question, click "Add Accident" button
- Enter the VIN for vehicle involved in accident
- Select the type of accident from dropdown menu
- · Enter number of fatalities and injuries,
- Describe accident or incident and
- what follow up occurred, if any
 Attach the required DMV accident
 report into the Attachments (asset
 wizard step 11)
- Click "Next"

Wizard Agency Narrative

- Tell us about your transit program
- Do you have a new service?
- New service partner?
- · Service cut back
- This can be historical or record-keeping

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Estimated RFP/IFD Detail		10/20/2023	Completed	0	Dids were received.
Estimated Contract And	and	01/09/2024	Completed	0	Completed
Estimated Construction	Start Date	03/19/2024	In Process	0	The project has started
Estimated Project Comp	pletion Date	06/30/2027	In Process	9	In process.
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Review and verify all information is correct If you find an error, select "Maintain" from the navigation menu, open the correct section and make changes Add Budget Detail Worksheet or Equivalent and other supporting documentation Click "Finish" If you are an authorized representative with signing authority, click "Complete Step" when finished. Check the certifying box Enter your e Response Keyword and click "Submit" Contact your RTC for any Issues or questions

Federal Funding

- Past Practice
 - Reimburse agencies before FTA grants were fully executed
 - Delays in processing grants and volume has reduced funding on hand
- ODOT Policy
 - Federal Funding must be available for reimburs ement
 - Grants must be executed by FTA

PTD Actions

Address Grant Backlog/Delays

- Dedicated additional staff
- Process improvements
- FTA prioritization
- Continual assessment

Hardship Requests

 Requested on Formula applications

Federal Funding

- Congressional Apportionment
- FTA Updates
- What this means for funding
- · Considerations-

PTD is looking at high need, interruption of service, availability of reserves. What other factors should be considered to develop funding plans with limited



Reimbursement Request Overview

- You can only submit a reimbursement request if you are current on your reporting
- For most funds, there is a maximum allowable disbursement for the first year of the biennium
- Review your grant's SOW regularly to ensure proper documentation

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Policy on Allowable Costs Determination

Purpose: To establish clear procedures for determining which costs are allowable for reimbursement under federal awards, ensuring compliance with the Uniform Guidance (2 CFR Part 200) and specifically addressing the requirements outlined in 2 CFR 200.30 2(b)(7).

Scope: This policy applies to all staff involved in the management of federal awards, including project managers, financial analysts, and administrative staff responsible for cost analysis and reporting.

- Policy Statement principles outlined in 2 CFR Part 200.
- Written Procedures
- Cost Analysis

Policy on Allowable Costs Determination

General criteria:

•Be necessary and reasonable for the performance of the Federal award and be allocable thereto under these principles.
•Conform to any limitations or exclusions set forth in these principles or in the

•Conform to any limitations or exclusions set forth in these principles or in the Federal award as to types or amount of cost items.

•Be consistent with policies and procedures that apply uniformly to both federally-financed and other activities of the district.

•Be accorded consistent treatment.

•Be determined in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles

•Not be included as a cost or used to meet cost sharing or matching requirements

of any other federally-financed program in either the current or prior period.

•Be adequately documented.

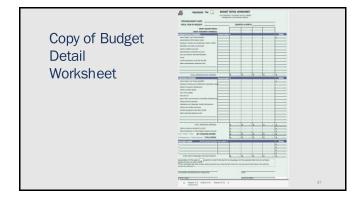
*Selected items of cost- is consistent with one of the allowability factors for selected items of costs articulated in 2 CFR 200.420 through 200.47.5.

Documents needed for Reimbursement Request

- Check the Statement of Work for the grant
- What type of expense(s) are being requested
- Are your documents easy to interpret by your RTC
 - Items should have description of what is being charge (X number of hours, 14 widgets...)
 - Date
 - Name of agency being billed
 - Name of agency billing for service
 - Quarter service was provided









Back-up Needed
for
Reimbursement

- Purchased/Contracted Services
 - Invo ice(s) or compa rable document in cluding basic description of services and associated expenses, service date(s) and identification of service provider
- Mob ili ty Mana gement
 In-House: Documentation of completed
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 Contracted: Documentation of complete d
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- Planning
 Docume ntation of completed deliverables and/or vendorinvoices. See SOW for specifics
- Pre ventative Maintenance
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Vehicle or Equipment Purchase

Vehicle Purchase Items Needed:

- Detailed cover letter
 - Cover letter template (online)
 - Edit cover letter for accurate information
- All invoices associated with the expense
- Pre-Award and Post-Delivery Certification
 - Check and initial each box
 - Sign form

 - *Buy America Certification
 *Disad vantaged Business Enterprise
 (DBE) certification

 - *Federal Motor Ve hicle Safety Standards (FMVSS) Certification
 - This information can be provided by your vendor. *as required per funding source.



Equipment, Facility Purchase or Construction

- Equipment Purch as e
 - Invoice(s)
 - Environmental documents (dependent on project)
 - Final Inspection report(s) (dependent on project)
 - · Maintenance Plans should be updated when put into service
- · Facility Purchase or Construction
 - Invoice(s)
 - Final inspection report(s)
 - Environmental documents (dependent upon project)
 - · Payroll documentation (if subrecipient labor is included)
 - Photos
 - Maintenance Plans should be updated when put into service



survey #5 - Do you know where to find information about assets and vehicle procurement on the PTD Website?

A. Yes
B. No

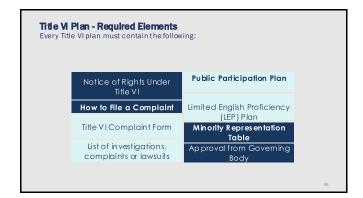


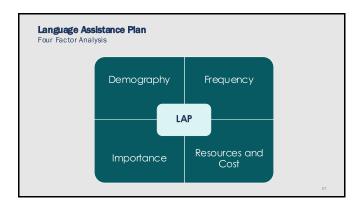
Title VI Requirements

- A Federal-aid recipient must have a formal plan to prevent discrimination in all of its programs and activities.
- Title VI Programs are used to ensure compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, and to give transit employees, members of the general public, ODOT and the FTA a consistent and easy "roadmap" of the transit provider's Title VI compliance.
- Pass-through entities are **not** exempt from Title VI, however Title VI Program elements may be developed in a conjunction with pass-through and provider.

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Other Potential Requirements If you provide Fixed Route Services, you must include: • Fixed Route Service Standards • Fixed Route Service Policies If you plan to construct new facilities, you may be required to conduct an Equity Analysis.

Pesouces Ovil Rights Website: Organ Department of Transportation: Intermodal Out Rights - Chil Rights: State of Organ Title VI Handbook (revised 2/2025); Title VI Handbook



Steps of Procurements

- Identifying the need
- Developing detailed specifications
- Conducting market research
- Soliciting proposals
- Evaluating bids
- Negotiating contract terms
- Awarding the contract
- Managing the contract throughout its lifecycle



Procurement Processes Comparison			
As pect	RFQ(Request for Quotation)	RFI (Request for Inf ormation)	RFP (Request for Pr oposal)
Purpos e	Obt ain pricing andt erms for spedificitems	Gather generalinformation about capabilities	Solicit detailed proposals for as pecific project
Scope	Narr ove focused on price and terms	Broad, exploratory	Detailed, solution-oriented
When Used	Requirement sare dear ands pedfic	Earlys tage to expbr eoptions	Project is defined but needs detailed solutions
Content	Product/Service details, quantity, terms	Questions about capabilities , experience	Project requirements, evaluation criteria
Respons e Detail	Pricing, delivery terms, conditions	Informativer esponses about offerings	Technical approach, pricing, timelines, qualifications
Evaluation Criter ia	Priceand terms	Quality and relevance of Information	Technical solution, pricing, experience
Complexit y	Lowto moderate	Low	High
Timet o Evaluate	Short	Short to moderate	Long
Typical Respondents	Suppliers or vendors	Suppliers , vendors , indust ryexperts	Suppliers, vendors, service providers
Outcome	Select supplier based on price and terms	Shortlist potential suppliers/solutions	Select best propos albased on multiple criteria
Examples	Pricing on office supplies, equipment	Information on rew technologies, market capabilities	Propos ds f or software syst ems, constructionprojects
Follow-up Actions	Iss uepur thase order/contr act	Iss ueRFP or RFQ	Contract negot ations, final selection



Procurement Best Practices

• FTA's "Best Practices Procurement - Lessons Learned Manual" better known as the (BPPM) provides suggested procedures, methods, and examples to advise a recipient on conducting its third-party procurements in compliance with Federal laws and regulations and FTA Circular 4220.1G guidance.

Procurement Folder

- Procurement Folder should read like a story All elements from start to finish should be included in the procurement folder.
- · If someone were to come to review, could they tell-
 - How you determined your bid method,

 - Who putinfor bids,How you chose the vendor,
 - What the contract ended up listing as the elements from the purchase order.

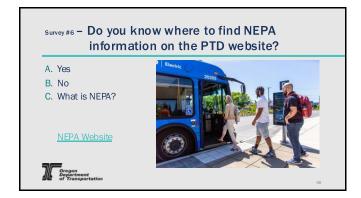


Procurement items to know

Did you have the following

- Full and open competition
- No geographic preferences
- No brand name dropping
- Awards to responsible contractors
- Know your thresholds for full procurement
- No splitting contract to avoid thresholds
- No debarment go to SAM.gov
- Signed certification
- A determine if all costs are fair and reasonable







What are Coordinated Plans?

- Locally developed, coordinated public transit-human services transportation plan ("coordinated plan") which identifies the transportation needs of:
 - · individuals with disabilities,
 - older adults,
 - · people with low incomes,
- Provides strategies for meeting those local needs and prioritizes transportation services for funding and implementation.





What is the purpose of a Coordinated Plan?

 The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and the Oregon Department of Transportation have expectations and requirements for a coordinated planning process.

Requirements

- Transit projects shall be derived from a coordinated plan that minimally includes the following elements at a level consistent with available resources and the complexity of the local institutional environment (updated every 5 years):
 - (1) An assessment of available current transportation providers.
 - (2) An assessment of transportation needs for individuals with disabilities, older adults, and people with low incomes.
 - (3) Strategies, activities, and/or projects to address the identified gaps.
- (4) Priorities for implementation based on resources.





Who, What and When of Compliance

- PTD works with a contractor to conduct reviews
- Reviews approximately every three years
- All findings must be completed as noted in final report
- Typical timelines are 30, 60, 90 or 120 days after final report is received
- RTC and Compliance Coordinator will follow up if issues are not resolved
- Funding could be delayed if findings are not closed
- \bullet Single Audit findings must show timeline for resolution and documentation of resolution



Compliance Requirements

- On time quarterly reporting
- Yearly budgets submitted within 30 days of board approval
- Yearly Audits for agencies with \$1M or more in federal fundingsubmitted 30 days after completion
- Yearly Agreed Upon Audit Procedures submitted within 30 days of completion
- Drug and Alcohol reporting (Feb/March)



Training
Tyler Tweedy



survey#7 - How many trainings per year would you like to see?

- A. 1-3 virtual
- B. 1-2 in person
- C. 3-5 with a mix in person and virtual
- D. Only training at the conference
- E. As many as you can offer
- F. None



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Upcoming Trainings

- NEPA Training Spring 2025 (virtual)
- STIF Report Training Spring 2025 (virtual)
- Procurement Training May 14, 2025 (virtual)
- Financial Management July 9, 2025 (virtual)
- Drug and Alcohol Training July 29 30, 2025 (in-person Bend, OR)



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