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POLICY STATEMENT

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Policy Statement:

Transportation Management Area (TMA) Funding Eligibility

Background:

Surface Transportation Program (STP) and Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) funds are directly allocated to areas with populations over 200,000 (Transportation Management Areas [TMAs]). Currently, the Boise Urbanized Area is the only TMA in the State of Idaho.

Funds directly allocated to a TMA will be programmed within the TMA, as defined by the adjusted urbanized area map adopted by the COMPASS Board of Directors on August 19, 2013 (Attachment). However, funds may be considered for programming outside the TMA, but within the COMPASS planning area boundary, if all of the following conditions are met:

- 1. A comprehensive* call for project applications was conducted, and
- 2. Qualified project applications meeting the appropriate program criteria** were not received for projects within the TMA boundary, and
- 3. Qualified project applications meeting the adopted program criteria** were submitted from outside the TMA boundary, and
- 4. Funding is available.

A qualified project application is defined as any application that:

- 1. Meets the goals and vision of the long-range transportation plan, and
- 2. Leverages other sources of funds to the extent possible, and
- 3. Provides a description of how the project benefits the region, and especially the TMA, and
- 4. Demonstrates project readiness, defined as ability to meet obligation deadlines, and is within the budget presented.

At least the first three years of the TMA programs will be fully programmed.

- *A comprehensive call for project applications includes outreach to all eligible applicants, including COMPASS members and non-members.
- **Program criteria for the STP and TAP programs are included with the application materials and incorporate the goals and vision of the long-range transportation plan.

Previous Policy:

This policy replaces original policy 16-01, approved by the COMPASS Board of Directors on April 18, 2016.

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