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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Transit Administration

[Docket No. FTA-2025-0134]

Rescission of the National Transit Database Weekly Reference Reporting Requirement

AGENCY: Federal Transit Administration (FTA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

ACTION: Final notice; response to comments.

SUMMARY: This notice finalizes and responds to comments on the proposed rescission of the National Transit Database's (NTD) Weekly Reference (WE-20) reporting requirement.

DATES: Applicable date: January 15, 2026.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Chelsea Champlin, National Transit Database Program Manager, FTA Office of Budget and Policy, 202-366-4000, chelsea.champlin@dot.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

Congress established the NTD to be the Nation's primary source for information and statistics on the transit systems of the United States. During the COVID-19 pandemic, FTA found it did not have sufficient and timely data on transit ridership or transit service levels to inform decision-makers during the rapidly changing crisis situation. To better understand changes in the transit industry on a timely basis, FTA went through the notice and comment process (Docket number FTA-2022-0018) pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 5334(k) to, among other things, enable FTA to collect additional data from a sample set of modal reports from across the universe of full, reduced, tribal, and rural reporters on a weekly reference WE-20 Form. FTA finalized the WE-20 reporting requirements in March 2023 (88 FR 13497).

Although the WE-20 reporting requirement provided important data as the country recovered from the pandemic, it is not required by statute, and after two years of experience with this data collection, FTA determined the WE-20 reporting requirement no longer offers sufficient value relative to the administrative burden on transit agencies and is inconsistent with this Administration's deregulatory priorities.

II. Proposed Rescission of the Weekly Reference Reporting Requirement (WE-20) and Responses to Comments

Pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 5334(k), FTA published a notice in the **Federal Register** on November 18, 2025 (90 FR 51809) requesting comments on the proposed rescission of the WE-20 reporting requirement. The comment period closed on December 2, 2025. FTA received five comments in support (including three who expressed strong support) of the proposal to rescind the required weekly NTD reporting requirement. Comments were received from three public transit agencies, a consortium consisting of five State Departments of Transportation, and one transportation association. Two of the comments in support of the change justified the rescission by quantifying the time the reporting took them away from other critical work, including transit operations, planning, and analysis. In addition, the consortium specifically noted the filing burden on rural states, where small transit operators have limited staff to attend to administrative and regulatory compliance. FTA received no comments in opposition or providing additional information.

FTA Response: FTA appreciates the support for this change and will move forward with the rescission as proposed. The proposed rescission takes effect immediately upon publication of this final notice.

Marcus J. Molinaro,

Administrator.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Transit Administration (FTA)

Announcement of Fiscal Year 2025 Grants for Buses and Bus Facilities Program and Fiscal Year 2025 and 2026 Low or No Emission Program Project Selections

AGENCY: Federal Transit Administration (FTA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

ACTION: Notice of project selections and implementation guidance.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Transportation's (DOT) Federal Transit Administration (FTA) announces the award of a total of \$2,027,948,082 for 165 projects. This includes \$397,665,476 under the FY 2025 Grants for Buses and Bus Facilities Competitive Program (Bus Competitive Program) for 62 projects and \$1,630,282,606 under the FY 2025 Low or No Emission (Low-No) Grants Program for 103 projects. This notice provides administrative guidance on project implementation.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Successful applicants should contact the appropriate FTA Regional Office for information regarding applying for the funds or program-specific information. A list of Regional Offices can be found at <https://www.transit.dot.gov/about/regional-offices/regional-offices>.

Unsuccessful applicants may contact Kirsten Wiard-Bauer, Office of Program Management, at ftalownobusnofo@dot.gov or (202) 366-2053 within 30 days of this announcement to arrange a proposal debriefing. Some unsuccessful applicants, such as those who received an overall rating of Highly Recommended or Ineligible, may receive feedback only via email. A TDD is available at 1-800-877-8339 (TDD/FIRS).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Federal public transportation law (49 U.S.C. 5339(b)) authorizes FTA to make competitive grants for the Bus Competitive Program. Federal public transportation law (49 U.S.C. 5339(c)) authorizes FTA to make competitive grants for the Low-No Program.

Federal public transportation law (49 U.S.C. 5338(a)(2)(M)) authorized \$398,103,239 in FY 2025 funds for the Bus Competitive Program after an oversight takedown. After the addition of available prior year funding, the total available funding for the Bus Program in FY 2025 is \$399,330,754.

For FY 2025, \$76,512,334 was authorized and appropriated for the FY 2025 Low-No Program, and the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA, Pub. L. 117-58) appropriated an additional \$1,029,000,000 after accounting for the authorized takedown for administrative and oversight expenses and the Office of Inspector General (OIG). For FY 2026, \$1,029,000,000 is appropriated under the IIJA for the Low-No Program. After the oversight takedown and transfer to the OIG, and the addition of prior year(s) funding, the total available

funding for the Low-No Program is \$2,140,796,484.

On May 15, 2025, FTA published a joint Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) announcing the availability of approximately \$398 million in FY 2025 Bus Competitive Program funds and approximately \$1.10 billion in Low-No Program funds (90 FR 20737). Consistent with the NOFO, which stated that FTA “may award additional funding that is made available to the programs prior to the announcement of project selections,” FTA is electing to allocate a portion of the appropriated FY 2026 Low-No Program funds, as well as available prior year funds for both programs. These funds will provide financial assistance to states and eligible public agencies to replace, rehabilitate, purchase, or lease buses, vans, and related equipment, and for capital projects to rehabilitate, purchase, construct, or lease bus-related facilities. For the Low-No Program, projects must be directly related to low or no-emission vehicles. In response to the NOFO, FTA received 479 eligible project proposals requesting approximately \$6.8 billion in Federal funds. Project proposals were evaluated based on each applicant’s responsiveness to the program evaluation criteria outlined in the NOFO.

Based on the criteria in the NOFO, FTA is funding 62 projects, as shown in Table 1, for a total of \$397,665,476 for the Bus Competitive Program, and 103 projects, as shown in Table 2, for a total of \$1,630,282,606 for the Low-No Program. A minimum of 15 percent of the amount made available for the Bus Competitive Program is set aside for projects located in rural areas, which is reflected in FTA’s selections. A statutory cap of 10 percent for any one applicant in the Bus Competitive Program is reflected as well. A minimum of 25 percent of the amount made available for the Low-No Program is set aside for projects related to the acquisition of low-emission buses or bus facilities.

Recipients selected for competitive funding are required to work with their FTA Regional Office to submit a grant application in FTA’s Transit Award Management System (TrAMS) for the projects identified in the attached tables to quickly obligate funds. A discretionary project identification number has been assigned to each project for tracking purposes and must be used in the TrAMS application. Grant applications must include only eligible activities applied for in the original project application.

When the allocated amount is less than the requested amount, recipients

must reduce scope or scale the project so that a complete phase or a usable segment of the originally proposed project is implemented. Amounts may be reduced because they were capped or scaled due to more funding being requested than available, ineligible expenses may have been removed from the funded project scope, or funding was allocated for only the low-emission elements of a mixed-emission project. In all such cases where the amount allocated is less than the amount requested, the recipient should work with its Regional Office to reduce the scope appropriately. Recipients may also provide additional local funds to complete a proposed project.

Selected projects are eligible to incur costs under pre-award authority no earlier than November 20, 2025. Pre-award costs are incurred at your own risk, and the announcement that a project was selected does not guarantee that FTA will, in fact, obligate a grant for the funding. FTA is not required to reimburse pre-award costs if you do not receive an obligated grant or if the obligated grant is less than anticipated and is inadequate to cover all pre-award costs. Eligibility for reimbursement is contingent upon planning and environmental requirements having been met, among other factors. For more about FTA’s policy on pre-award authority, please see the current FTA Apportionments, Allocations, and Program Information at <https://www.transit.dot.gov/funding/apportionments>.

Post-award reporting requirements include submission of Federal Financial Reports and Milestone Progress Reports in TrAMS (see FTA Circular 5010.1F). Recipients must comply with all applicable Federal statutes, regulations, executive orders, FTA circulars, and other Federal requirements in carrying out the project supported by the FTA grant. FTA emphasizes that recipients must follow all third-party procurement requirements set forth in Federal public transportation law (49 U.S.C. 5325(a)) and described in the FTA Third Party Contracting Guidance Circular (FTA Circular 4220.1G).

Funds allocated in this announcement must be obligated in a grant by September 30, 2029.

Technical Review and Evaluation Summary: The FTA assessed all project proposals that were submitted under the FY 2025 Buses and Bus Facilities Program and the Low-No Program competition according to the following evaluation criteria. The specific metrics for each criterion were described in the May 2025 NOFO:

1. Demonstration of Need

2. Demonstration of Benefits
3. Planning/Local Prioritization
4. Local Financial Commitment
5. Project Implementation Strategy
6. Technical, Legal, and Financial Capacity

For each project, a technical review panel assigned a rating of Highly Recommended, Recommended, or Not Recommended for each of the six criteria. The technical review panel then assigned an overall rating of Highly Recommended, Recommended, Not Recommended, or Ineligible to the project proposal.

FTA also used a streamlined application for tribal applicants requesting less than \$1 million in order to reduce the burden of application for tribes with smaller requests and encourage more tribal applications. Such applicants were only required to provide a full response to Demonstration of Need and Local Financial Commitment, and a shortened response to Project Implementation Strategy. Tribes with requests of less than \$1 million had to meet statutory requirements, such as attaching a fleet transition plan to zero-emission applications, but did not need to provide responses related to any Administration priorities.

Projects were assigned a final overall rating of Highly Recommended if they were rated Highly Recommended in at least four categories overall, with no Not Recommended ratings. Projects were assigned a final overall rating of Recommended if the projects had three or more Recommended ratings and no Not Recommended ratings. Projects were assigned a rating of Not Recommended if they received a Not Recommended rating in any criteria. A summary of the final overall ratings for all 479 eligible project proposals is shown in the table below.

Overall Project Ratings (eligible submissions):

	Bus	Low-No	Total
Highly Recommended	223	131	354
Recommended	30	21	51
Not Recommended	47	27	74
Total	300	179	479

Consistent with the NOFO, FTA made the final selections based on the technical ratings as well as geographic diversity; diversity in the size of transit systems receiving funding; vehicle propulsion type; and additional considerations/administration priorities including benefits to Opportunity Zones, intent to use cost-effective vehicle procurements, intent to use terms to strengthen the U.S. vehicle

manufacturing industry, benefits to families and communities, and

commitment to Buy America domestic preference standards.

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Administrator.

TABLE 1—FY 2025 BUSES AND BUS FACILITIES PROJECT SELECTIONS
[Note: Some projects have multiple project IDs.]

State	Recipient	Project ID	Project description	Award
AK	Kenaitze Indian Tribe	D2026-BUSC-001	Rehabilitate a bus facility	\$654,272
AL	Poarch Band of Creek Indians	D2026-BUSC-002	Purchase replacement buses and construct transportation hub	1,939,904
AR	University of Arkansas—Fayetteville	D2026-BUSC-003 and D2026-BUSC-004	Purchase replacement and expansion buses	13,175,000
AZ	Northern Arizona Intergovernmental Public Transportation Authority	D2026-BUSC-005	Rehabilitate bus stops	3,207,678
CA	California Department of Transportation obo Eastern Sierra Transit Authority	D2026-BUSC-006	Construct an operations and administration facility	3,044,961
CA	California Department of Transportation obo Eastern Sierra Transit Authority	D2026-BUSC-007	Purchase replacement buses	7,978,159
CA	California Department of Transportation obo Humboldt Transit Authority	D2026-BUSC-008	Purchase replacement buses	2,394,000
CA	Eastern Contra Costa Transit Authority	D2026-BUSC-009	Rehabilitate operations facility	2,400,000
CA	Santa Cruz Metropolitan Transit District	D2026-BUSC-010	Purchase replacement and expansion buses	1,152,000
CA	Yuba-Sutter Transit Authority	D2026-BUSC-011 and D2026-BUSC-012	Construct an administration, operations, and maintenance facility	12,714,902
CO	Colorado Department of Transportation obo Eagle Valley Transportation Authority	D2026-BUSC-013	Construct and rehabilitate bus stops	1,060,000
CO	Colorado Department of Transportation obo Gunnison Valley Transportation Authority (GVRTA)	D2026-BUSC-014	Purchase replacement bus	768,557
CO	Colorado Department of Transportation obo Miguel Authority for Regional Transportation (SMART)	D2026-BUSC-015	Purchase replacement buses	534,108
CO	Colorado Department of Transportation obo Mountain Express (MX)	D2026-BUSC-016	Construct bus storage, maintenance, and operations facility	14,400,000
CO	Colorado Department of Transportation obo Mountain Express (MX)	D2026-BUSC-017	Purchase replacement buses	256,000
CO	Colorado Department of Transportation obo The Roaring Fork Transportation Authority (RFTA)	D2026-BUSC-018	Purchase replacement buses	6,745,942
CO	Colorado Department of Transportation obo Town of Winter Park	D2026-BUSC-019	Rehabilitate maintenance facility	1,056,120
FL	Lakeland Area Mass Transit District dba Citrus Connection	D2026-BUSC-020	Rehabilitate maintenance and administration facilities and purchase equipment	1,104,080
IA	Ames Transit Agency dba CyRide	D2026-BUSC-021	Rehabilitate and convert buses to biodiesel, and expand bus storage facility	14,648,686
IA	City of Iowa City	D2026-BUSC-022 and D2026-BUSC-023	Purchase replacement buses and paratransit vehicles	8,665,485
IA	Iowa Department of Transportation	D2026-BUSC-024	Purchase replacement buses	27,834,685
IL	Bloomington-Normal Public Transit System (dba Connect Transit)	D2026-BUSC-025	Construct transit center	5,000,000
KY	Kentucky Transportation Cabinet	D2026-BUSC-026	Purchase replacement and expansion vehicles, and purchase and rehabilitate bus facilities	12,363,501
KY	Transit Authority of River City	D2026-BUSC-027	Rehabilitate and expand bus maintenance facility	2,624,000
KY	Transit Authority of the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government	D2026-BUSC-028	Purchase replacement paratransit vehicles	1,200,000
LA	Jefferson Transit	D2026-BUSC-029	Rehabilitate bus stops	2,975,000
MA	Berkshire Regional Transit Authority	D2026-BUSC-030	Rehabilitate bus facility and purchase equipment	3,000,000
MA	Pioneer Valley Transit Authority	D2026-BUSC-031	Rehabilitate bus garage	4,475,955
MD	Maryland Transit Administration obo Charles County Government	D2026-BUSC-032	Construct maintenance and operations facility	10,000,016
ME	Greater Portland Transit District	D2026-BUSC-033	Purchase replacement and expansion vehicles	4,248,542
ME	Maine Department of Transportation	D2026-BUSC-034	Purchase replacement vehicles and rehabilitate administration facility	1,062,220
MI	Bay Mills Indian Community	D2026-BUSC-035	Construct bus facility	320,000
MI	Central County Transportation Authority	D2026-BUSC-036	Purchase replacement buses	972,000
MI	Michigan Department of Transportation	D2026-BUSC-037	Purchase replacement buses, construct and rehabilitate bus facilities, and purchase equipment	30,006,950
MI	Suburban Mobility Authority for Regional Transportation	D2026-BUSC-038	Purchase replacement and expansion buses	1,249,500
MN	Minnesota Department of Transportation	D2026-BUSC-039	Purchase replacement buses	7,360,000
MN	Minnesota Department of Transportation	D2026-BUSC-040	Construct bus facilities	6,170,462
MN	Minnesota Valley Transit Authority	D2026-BUSC-041	Construct bus garage	2,720,000
MS	City of Jackson	D2026-BUSC-042	Rehabilitate bus stops	2,800,000
MT	Crow Tribe of Indians	D2026-BUSC-043	Construct new transit facility	996,740
NY	Village of Kiryas Joel	D2026-BUSC-044	Purchase expansion buses	5,780,000
OH	Allen County Regional Transit Authority	D2026-BUSC-045	Purchase replacement buses	2,354,425
OK	Cherokee Nation	D2026-BUSC-046	Construct transit facility	10,010,220
OK	Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma	D2026-BUSC-047	Purchase replacement buses	3,730,140
OK	Oklahoma Department of Transportation	D2026-BUSC-048	Purchase replacement buses	4,468,088
OR	Oregon Department of Transportation obo Benton County	D2026-BUSC-049	Purchase replacement and expansion buses	833,000

TABLE 1—FY 2025 BUSES AND BUS FACILITIES PROJECT SELECTIONS—Continued

[Note: Some projects have multiple project IDs.]

State	Recipient	Project ID	Project description	Award
OR	Oregon Department of Transportation obo Coos County Area Transportation District.	D2026-BUSC-050	Construct transit center	8,839,155
OR	Oregon Department of Transportation obo Yamhill County-Yamhill County Transit Area (YCTA).	D2026-BUSC-051	Purchase replacement buses	1,921,000
SC	City of Spartanburg	D2026-BUSC-052	Purchase replacement buses	448,000
SD	City of Rapid City	D2026-BUSC-053	Purchase replacement buses	1,190,000
SD	City of Sioux Falls	D2026-BUSC-054	Rehabilitate bus stops	1,993,408
TN	Nashville Metropolitan Transit Authority	D2026-BUSC-055	Purchase replacement buses	10,000,001
TX	City of Amarillo	D2026-BUSC-056	Purchase replacement buses	5,440,000
TX	Denton County Transit Authority	D2026-BUSC-057	Purchase replacement buses	2,295,000
TX	Texas Department of Transportation	D2026-BUSC-058 and ≤ D2026-BUSC-059.	Purchase replacement and expansion buses and construct operations and maintenance facility.	36,000,000
UT	Utah Transit Authority	D2026-BUSC-060	Purchase replacement buses	21,330,000
VA	Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation (DRPT).	D2026-BUSC-061	Purchase replacement buses	8,621,909
VT	Green Mountain Transit Authority	D2026-BUSC-062	Purchase replacement buses and rehabilitate bus facility and bus stops.	4,755,647
WA	Skagit Transit	D2026-BUSC-063	Purchase replacement and expansion buses	9,368,858
WA	Washington State Department of Transportation obo Okanogan County Transit Authority (OCTA).	D2026-BUSC-064	Construct administrative, operations, and maintenance facility.	9,237,473
WV	Kanawha Valley Regional Transportation Authority.	D2026-BUSC-065	Construct maintenance and operations facility	21,254,847
WY	City of Cheyenne—Cheyenne Transit Program ...	D2026-BUSC-066	Rehabilitate administration and operations facility and transit hub.	2,514,880
Total				397,665,476

TABLE 2—FY 2025 AND FY 2026 LOW OR NO EMISSION PROJECT SELECTIONS

[Note: Some projects have multiple project IDs.]

State	Recipient	Project ID	Project description	Award
AK	Fairbanks North Star Borough	D2026-LWNO-001	Purchase replacement buses	\$3,150,360
AL	City of Huntsville	D2026-LWNO-002	Purchase replacement buses	6,098,667
AZ	Regional Public Transportation Authority (Valley Metro).	D2026-LWNO-003	Purchase replacement buses	18,630,264
CA	California Department of Transportation obo Humboldt Transit Authority.	D2026-LWNO-004	Purchase replacement buses	4,696,000
CA	City of Lynwood	D2026-LWNO-005	Purchase replacement buses	1,047,709
CA	City of Tracy	D2026-LWNO-006	Purchase expansion buses	7,140,000
CA	Culver City Municipal Bus Lines	D2026-LWNO-007	Purchase replacement buses	14,450,000
CA	Fresno, City of	D2026-LWNO-008	Rehabilitate buses and fueling station*	16,688,720
CA	Gold Coast Transit District	D2026-LWNO-009	Purchase replacement buses and paratransit vehicles.	3,615,006
CA	Golden Empire Transit District	D2026-LWNO-010	Purchase replacement buses and fueling infrastructure.	11,788,089
CA	Livermore Amador Valley Transit Authority	D2026-LWNO-011	Purchase replacement buses and construct operations and maintenance facility.	63,951,145
CA	Marin County Transit District	D2026-LWNO-012	Purchase replacement buses and rehabilitate operations facility.	5,640,020
CA	Monterey-Salinas Transit District	D2026-LWNO-013	Purchase bus equipment*	1,032,000
CA	Napa Valley Transportation Authority	D2026-LWNO-014	Purchase replacement buses	6,823,698
CA	North County Transit District (NCTD)	D2026-LWNO-015	Purchase replacement buses	16,774,170
CA	Redding Area Bus Authority	D2026-LWNO-016	Purchase replacement buses*	2,619,040
CA	Riverside Transit Agency	D2026-LWNO-017	Purchase replacement buses*	1,329,480
CA	Sacramento Regional Transit District (SacRT)	D2026-LWNO-018	Purchase replacement buses	39,670,302
CA	San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency	D2026-LWNO-019 and D2026-LWNO-200	Purchase replacement buses	39,800,000
CA	San Joaquin Regional Transit District (RTD)	D2026-LWNO-021	Purchase replacement buses*	10,327,500
CA	Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA).	D2026-LWNO-022	Purchase replacement vehicles*	20,311,640
CO	City of Colorado Springs dba Mountain Metropolitan Transit.	D2026-LWNO-023	Purchase expansion buses	7,623,000
CO	City of Fort Collins	D2026-LWNO-024	Purchase replacement buses*	4,838,610
CO	City of Pueblo	D2026-LWNO-025	Purchase replacement and expansion buses	15,687,944
CO	Colorado Department of Transportation obo City of Steamboat Springs Transit (SST).	D2026-LWNO-026	Purchase replacement buses	1,504,000
CO	Colorado Department of Transportation obo The Roaring Fork Transportation Authority (RFTA).	D2026-LWNO-027	Purchase replacement buses	3,745,800
CO	Mesa County	D2026-LWNO-028	Purchase replacement buses	2,097,033
CT	Connecticut Department of Transportation	D2026-LWNO-029	Expand and rehabilitate transit facility*	35,700,000
DC	Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority	D2026-LWNO-030 and D2026-LWNO-031	Purchase replacement buses	50,322,380
FL	Broward County Transit	D2026-LWNO-032	Purchase replacement buses and equipment	20,480,000
FL	City of Tallahassee	D2026-LWNO-033	Purchase replacement buses and fueling station	8,798,487
FL	Hillsborough Transit Authority (HART)	D2026-LWNO-034	Purchase replacement buses	32,037,390
FL	Palm Beach County Board of Commissioners	D2026-LWNO-035	Purchase replacement buses	7,200,000

TABLE 2—FY 2025 AND FY 2026 LOW OR NO EMISSION PROJECT SELECTIONS—Continued
 [Note: Some projects have multiple project IDs.]

State	Recipient	Project ID	Project description	Award
FL	Pinellas Suncoast Transit Authority	D2026-LWNO-036	Purchase bus equipment*	6,580,000
GA	Cobb County	D2026-LWNO-037	Purchase replacement and expansion buses and chargers.	6,632,101
GA	Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority (MARTA).	D2026-LWNO-038	Purchase replacement buses	20,735,040
IA	Iowa Department of Transportation	D2026-LWNO-039	Purchase replacement buses and construct and expand transit facilities*.	19,892,534
IA	University of Iowa	D2026-LWNO-040	Purchase replacement buses	6,171,174
ID	Valley Regional Transit	D2026-LWNO-041	Purchase fueling infrastructure	5,053,440
IL	Chicago Transit Authority (CTA)	D2026-LWNO-042 and D2026-LWNO-043.	Purchase replacement buses	121,125,000
IL	Pace, the Suburban Bus Division of the Regional Transportation Authority.	D2026-LWNO-044	Purchase replacement buses	39,780,000
IN	Columbus Transit	D2026-LWNO-045	Purchase replacement buses	256,281
IN	Indianapolis Public Transportation Corporation (IndyGo).	D2026-LWNO-046	Purchase replacement buses	14,747,166
KS	City of Wichita	D2026-LWNO-047	Purchase expansion buses and equipment*	2,066,786
KY	Transit Authority of Northern Kentucky	D2026-LWNO-048	Purchase replacement buses	7,331,800
KY	Transit Authority of the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government.	D2026-LWNO-049	Purchase replacement buses	4,900,000
LA	Louisiana Governor's Office of Rural Development obo Rapides Area Planning Commission (RAPC).	D2026-LWNO-050	Purchase replacement buses and construct maintenance and parking facilities*.	1,580,000
MA	Berkshire Regional Transit Authority	D2026-LWNO-051	Purchase replacement buses and equipment	5,381,341
MA	Lowell Regional Transit Authority	D2026-LWNO-052	Purchase replacement buses	7,158,564
MA	Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority	D2026-LWNO-053 and D2026-LWNO-054.	Purchase replacement buses	78,566,512
MA	Merrimack Valley Regional Transit Authority	D2026-LWNO-055	Purchase expansion buses	7,194,360
ME	Biddeford Saco Old Orchard Beach Transit	D2026-LWNO-056	Purchase replacement buses	1,537,650
MI	Capital Area Transportation Authority	D2026-LWNO-057	Purchase replacement buses	6,962,784
MI	Detroit Department of Transportation	D2026-LWNO-058	Purchase replacement buses*	50,854,529
MI	Interurban Transit Partnership	D2026-LWNO-059	Purchase replacement buses	7,523,235
MI	Michigan Department of Transportation	D2026-LWNO-060	Purchase replacement buses	12,053,626
MN	Metro Transit	D2026-LWNO-061	Purchase replacement buses	35,033,000
MN	Minnesota Department of Transportation	D2026-LWNO-062	Purchase replacement and expansion buses and fueling infrastructure.	4,437,600
MN	Minnesota Valley Transit Authority	D2026-LWNO-063	Purchase replacement buses	8,000,000
MN	SouthWest Transit	D2026-LWNO-064	Purchase replacement buses	5,080,042
MN	St Cloud Metropolitan Transit Commission	D2026-LWNO-065	Purchase replacement buses	14,289,325
MO	City of Jefferson	D2026-LWNO-066	Purchase replacement buses	2,024,860
NC	Cape Fear Public Transportation Authority	D2026-LWNO-067	Purchase replacement buses	1,020,000
NC	City of Winston-Salem/Winston-Salem Transit Authority.	D2026-LWNO-068	Purchase replacement buses	5,068,887
NE	Regional Metropolitan Transit Authority of Omaha d/b/a Metro.	D2026-LWNO-069	Purchase replacement buses	4,932,259
NM	City of Santa Fe	D2026-LWNO-070	Purchase replacement buses	3,844,125
NM	New Mexico Department of Transportation obo South Central Regional Transit District (SCRTD).	D2026-LWNO-071	Purchase expansion buses	4,049,179
NV	Regional Transportation Commission of Washoe County.	D2026-LWNO-072	Purchase replacement buses	21,551,453
NY	Capital District Transportation Authority	D2026-LWNO-073	Purchase replacement buses and equipment	31,787,140
NY	Nassau County NY—Nassau Inter County Express.	D2026-LWNO-074	Purchase replacement buses and rehabilitate maintenance facility.	42,000,000
NY	New York State Metropolitan Transportation Authority.	D2026-LWNO-100 and D2026-LWNO-101.	Rehabilitate facility	11,965,000
NY	The Central New York Regional Transportation Authority.	D2026-LWNO-102	Purchase expansion buses	9,280,000
OH	Central Ohio Transit Authority	D2026-LWNO-103	Purchase expansion buses and rehabilitate bus garage.	19,906,459
OH	Metro Regional Transit Authority (METRO RTA) Southwest Ohio Regional Transit Authority (SORTA).	D2026-LWNO-104	Purchase replacement buses	9,741,172
OR	Oregon Department of Transportation obo Umpqua Public Transportation District.	D2026-LWNO-105	Purchase replacement buses	11,498,030
PA	Pennsylvania Department of Transportation	D2026-LWNO-107	Purchase replacement buses	2,000,000
PA	Southeastern Pennsylvania Transportation Authority.	D2026-LWNO-108	Purchase replacement buses	43,000,000
RI	Rhode Island Public Transit Authority	D2026-LWNO-109	Purchase replacement buses	25,000,000
SC	Central Midlands Regional Transit Authority	D2026-LWNO-110	Purchase replacement buses	15,750,000
SC	Greenville Transit Authority dba Greenlink	D2026-LWNO-111	Purchase expansion buses and equipment*	3,304,336
SC	The Waccamaw Regional Transportation Authority (d/b/a Coast RTA).	D2026-LWNO-112	Purchase replacement buses and construct bus maintenance, operations, and transit center facilities.	25,538,000
SD	South Dakota Department of Transportation	D2026-LWNO-113	Purchase replacement and expansion buses	1,101,750
TN	Chattanooga Area Regional Transportation Authority.	D2026-LWNO-114	Purchase replacement and expansion buses and paratransit vehicles, and equipment*.	757,486
TN	University of Tennessee	D2026-LWNO-115	Purchase replacement and expansion buses	9,801,300
TX	Brazos Transit District	D2026-LWNO-116	Purchase replacement buses	18,900,000

TABLE 2—FY 2025 AND FY 2026 LOW OR NO EMISSION PROJECT SELECTIONS—Continued
 [Note: Some projects have multiple project IDs.]

State	Recipient	Project ID	Project description	Award
TX	City of El Paso Mass Transit Department—Sun Metro.	D2026-LWNO-117	Purchase replacement buses	1,963,500
TX	City of Lubbock/Citibus	D2026-LWNO-118	Purchase replacement buses	26,250,000
TX	City of San Marcos	D2026-LWNO-119	Purchase replacement buses	1,762,476
TX	Corpus Christi Regional Transportation Authority	D2026-LWNO-120	Construct maintenance facility	46,280,000
TX	Dallas Area Rapid Transit (DART)	D2026-LWNO-121	Purchase replacement buses	7,094,000
TX	Fort Bend County	D2026-LWNO-122	Purchase replacement and expansion buses, and rehabilitate maintenance facility.	13,747,775
TX	Metropolitan Transit Authority of Harris County (METRO).	D2026-LWNO-123	Purchase replacement buses and rehabilitate maintenance facility.	100,728,336
UT	Utah Transit Authority	D2026-LWNO-124	Purchase replacement buses	20,475,200
VA	City of Alexandria	D2026-LWNO-125	Purchase replacement buses	10,939,552
VT	Green Mountain Transit Authority	D2026-LWNO-126	Purchase replacement buses and fueling infrastructure.	2,064,459
WA	City of Everett (DBA Everett Transit)	D2026-LWNO-127	Purchase replacement buses	10,071,054
WA	Pierce County Public Transportation Benefit Area Corporation (DBA Pierce Transit).	D2026-LWNO-128	Purchase replacement buses	6,704,881
WA	Snohomish County Public Transportation Benefit Area Corporation.	D2026-LWNO-129	Purchase replacement buses	13,987,608
WA	Thurston County Public Transportation Benefit Area (DBA Intercity Transit).	D2026-LWNO-130	Purchase replacement buses	17,551,815
WA	Washington State Department of Transportation obo Grant Transit Authority.	D2026-LWNO-131	Purchase replacement and expansion buses*	3,852,628
WA	Whatcom Transportation Authority (WTA)	D2026-LWNO-132	Purchase replacement buses	16,717,842
WI	City of Madison	D2026-LWNO-133	Purchase replacement buses*	17,432,700
Total				1,630,282,606

* Consistent with the NOFO, FTA prioritized low-emission projects over zero-emission projects in the Low-No Program. Only low-emission elements of projects identified with an asterisk are selected.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Transit Administration

Prevention of Alcohol Misuse and Prohibited Drug Use in Transit Operations

AGENCY: Federal Transit Administration (FTA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

ACTION: Notice of calendar year 2026 random drug and alcohol testing rates.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the calendar year 2026 drug and alcohol random testing rates for specific recipients of FTA financial assistance. The minimum random drug testing rate will remain at 50 percent, and the random alcohol testing rate will remain at 10 percent.

DATES: *Applicability Date:* January 1, 2026.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On January 1, 1995, FTA required large transit employers to begin drug and alcohol testing of employees performing

safety-sensitive functions, and to submit annual reports by March 15 of each year beginning in 1996, pursuant to drug and alcohol regulations adopted by FTA at 49 CFR parts 653 and 654 in February 1994. The annual report includes the number of employees who had a verified positive test for the use of prohibited drugs, and the number of employees who tested positive for the misuse of alcohol during the reported year. Small employers commenced the required testing on January 1, 1996, and began reporting the same information as the large employers beginning March 15, 1997.

FTA updated the testing rules by merging them into a new 49 CFR part 655, effective August 1, 2001 (66 FR 41996). The regulation maintained a random testing rate for prohibited drugs at 50 percent and the misuse of alcohol at 10 percent. The Administrator may lower the random testing rate to 25 percent if the violation rates drop below 1.0 percent for drug testing and 0.5 percent for alcohol testing for two consecutive years. Accordingly, in 2007, FTA reduced the random drug testing rate from 50 percent to 25 percent (72 FR 1057). In 2018, however, FTA returned the random drug testing rate to 50 percent for calendar year 2019 based on verified industry data for calendar year 2017, which showed that the rate had exceeded 1 percent (83 FR 63812).

Pursuant to 49 CFR 655.45, the Administrator's decision to determine

the minimum annual percentage rate for random drug and alcohol testing is based, in part, on the reported positive drug and alcohol violation rates for the entire public transportation industry. The information used for this determination is drawn from the Drug and Alcohol Management Information System (MIS) reports required by 49 CFR 655.72. To ensure the reliability of the data, the Administrator must consider the quality and completeness of the reported data, may obtain additional information or reports from employers, and may make appropriate modifications in calculating the industry's verified positive results and violation rates.

For calendar year 2026, the Administrator has determined that the minimum random drug testing rate for covered employees will remain at 50 percent based on a verified positive rate for prohibited drug use of 1.24 percent for calendar year 2024 and 1.23 percent for calendar year 2023. Further, the Administrator has determined that the minimum random alcohol testing rate for calendar year 2026 will remain at 10 percent, because the violation rate again was lower than 0.5 percent for calendar years 2024 and 2023. The random alcohol violation rates were 0.17 percent for 2024 and 0.18 for 2023.

Detailed reports on FTA's drug and alcohol testing data collected from transit employers may be obtained from FTA, Office of Transit Safety and