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Caltrans/FTA Programs Update

Federal Initiatives:

- 1) Drug and Alcohol Final Rule – October 1
- 2) Proposed Rule Makings for ADA
- 3) 2010 Census Proposed Urban Criteria



Caltrans/FTA Program Update

Caltrans Division of Mass Transportation:

- 1) Proposed Changes to 5311 Application
- 2) Narrow Band Public Notice
- 3) Upcoming Training/Events





Federal Register Notices, Proposed Rulemakings, and Final Rule



FTA Drug and Alcohol Program Final Rule

Procedures for Transportation Workplace Drug and Alcohol Testing Programs:

USDOT primary laboratory requirements in this
final rule include:

- Testing for MDMA (aka. Ecstasy);
- Lowering cutoff levels for cocaine and
amphetamines; and
- Conducting mandatory initial testing for heroin



FTA Drug and Alcohol Program Final Rule

- Each Medical Review Officer (MRO) will need to be re-qualified:
 - ✓ Must pass examination given by an MRO training organization every five years.
(Eliminated requirement for 12 hours of education every three years.)
- Does not allow use of HHS-Certified Instrumented Initial Testing Facilities (IITFs) to conduct initial drug testing.



Final Rule is effective October 1, 2010.

FTA Drug and Alcohol Program Final Rule

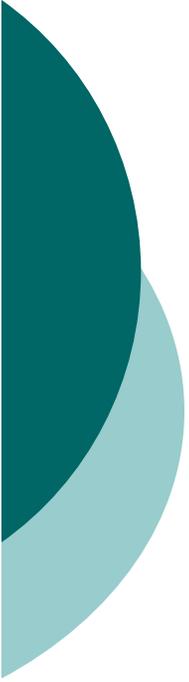
Final Rule Online:

<http://edocket.access.gpo.gov/2010/pdf/2010-20095.pdf>

FTA Drug and Alcohol Program Website:

<http://transit-safety.fta.dot.gov/DrugAndAlcohol/default.aspx>

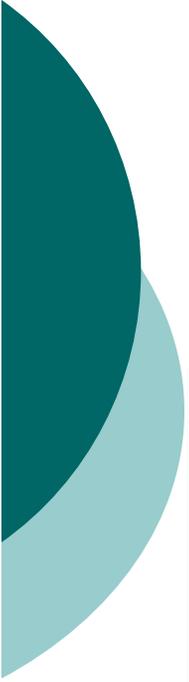




Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Notice of Proposed Rulemaking

Access Board - Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (Fed Reg. 7/26/10, Vol. 75, No. 142) – Changes scoping and technical requirements for the acquisition of new, used, and remanufactured vehicles and the remanufacture of existing vehicles to the extent required by regulations in 49 CFR Part 37.

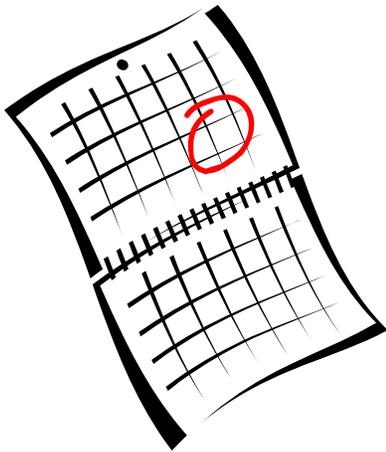




Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Notice of Proposed Rulemaking

Excerpts from ADA NPRM	Changes
<p>T104.4 Defined Terms. Boarding devices: A lift, ramp, bridgeplate, level boarding bus systems, operable parts, etc.</p>	<p><u>Adds</u> definitions for boarding devices, systems, and parts.</p>
<p>T203.2.2.1 Vehicle Floor and Station Platform Coordination. The design of the vehicles shall be coordinated with the station platforms to minimize the gap between the vehicle floor and the station platforms.</p>	<p><u>Requires</u> design of vehicles operating in level boarding bus systems to be coordinated with station platforms.</p>

Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Notice of Proposed Rulemaking



**ADA NPRM Comments Due:
November 23, 2010**

See Federal Register for Accessible Vehicles:

<http://edocket.access.gpo.gov/2010/pdf/2010-18255.pdf>

See Other Federal Registers at:

<http://www.regulations.gov/search/Regs/home.html>

Other Federal Rules and Notices:

1. USDOT Final Rule / Request for Comments: ADA Accessibility on Passenger Vessels - **Due 10/4/10**
2. USDOJ ANPRN - Accessibility of Web Info & Services of State & Local Govts – **Due 1/24/11**
3. OSHA Request for Comments on Transit Worker Whistleblower Protection - **Due 11/1/10**
4. FTA Notice of Buy America Final Assembly Waiver for Minivans and Chassis (June 21)



2010 Census Proposed Urbanized Area (UZA) Criteria

- ❑ The U.S. Census Bureau has published the proposed criteria for defining UZAs based on the 2010 census data.
- ❑ Please see the August 24, 2010 Federal Register Notice at:
<http://edocket.access.gpo.gov/2010/pdf/2010-20808.pdf>



Comments due November 22, 2010.



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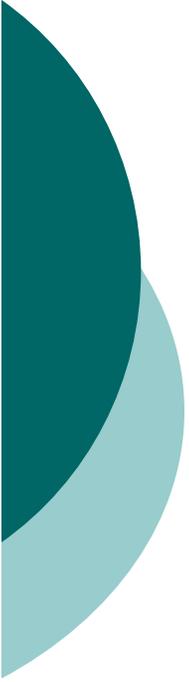
Why Update FTA Section 5311 Application?

- During the FY 2010 State Management Review, it was found that FTA 5311 program needs to strengthen its policies and procedures to ensure that subrecipients are in compliance with all FTA and State requirements.



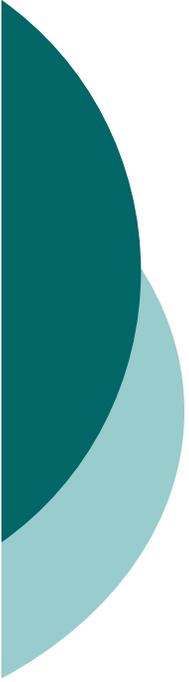
FTA Section 5311 Applications

- Operating Assistance
- Capital (Vehicle & Equipment)
- Capital (Construction/Real Estate Acquisition)



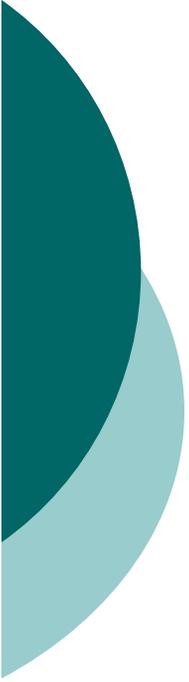
What has been updated on FY 2011 FTA Section 5311 Application?

- Project Description
- Project Budget Worksheet
- Project Budget
- Coordination of Services with Social Service Agencies
- Transit Security and Emergency Preparedness
- Authorized Resolution
- Bid Related Documents/Checklist
- IT/ITS Compliance Plan
- Maintenance Plan/Checklist



Project Description

- Instead of narrative that requires a lot of writing, we are now moving towards yes/no questions, multiple choice questions, filling in tables/charts, and short paragraphs.

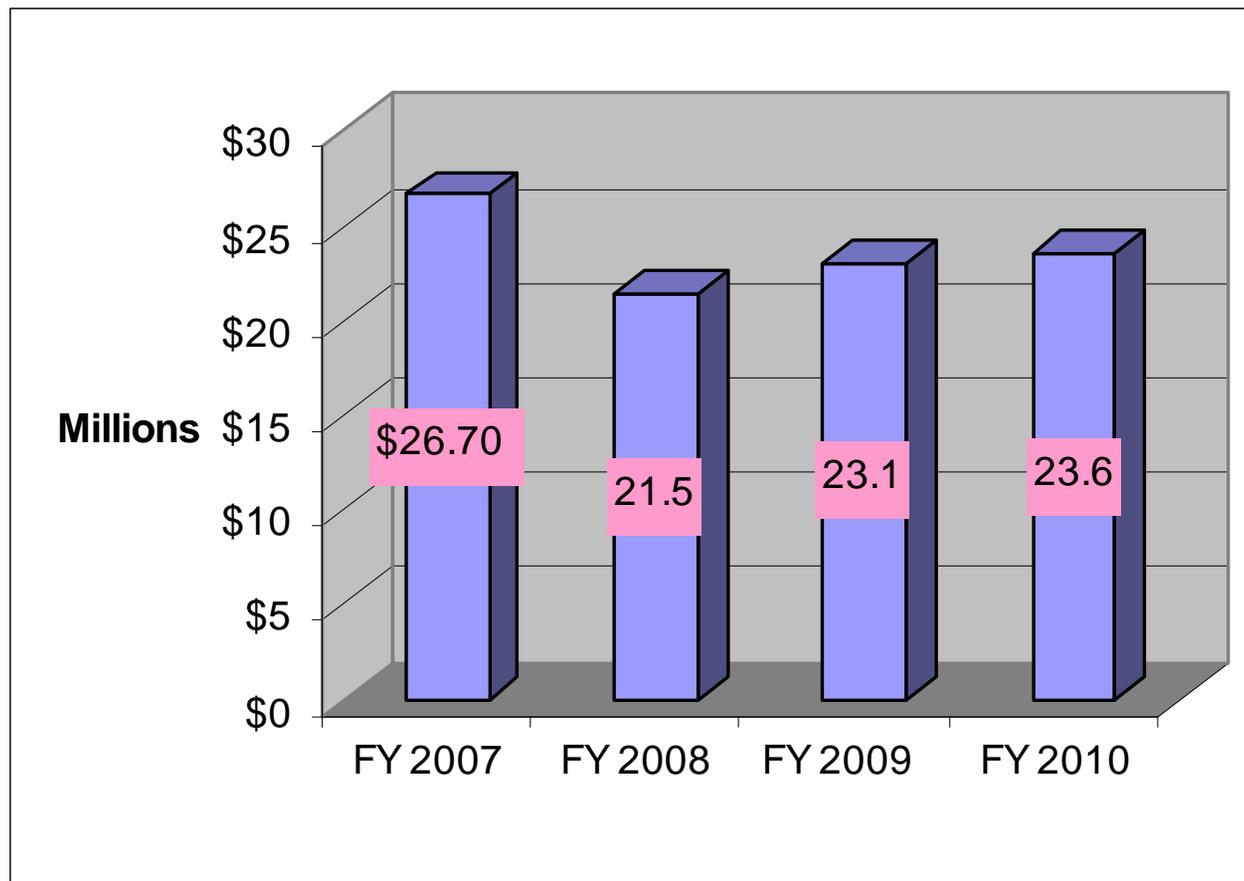


Project Budget Worksheet

Per OMB Circular A-87 and 49 CFR 18.20, State is responsible for:

- Determining the allowable costs incurred by subrecipients under grants, cost reimbursement contracts, and other agreements.
- Reviewing expenditures and/or outlays with budgeted amount for each standard agreement.

FTA Section 5311 Non-Urban Area Program



2010 Upcoming Training Events

- ❑ ARRA Reporting Online Training on September 21, 2010 - Launch **October 1, 2010!**
- ❑ Stakeholder Team for Grant Application and Process Improvements - **October 2010!**
- ❑ FTA will conduct NTD Training at CalACT Conference in Santa Barbara, CA on **September 29, 2010!**





PUBLIC NOTICE: NARROWBAND MIGRATION DEADLINES IN THE 150-174 MHz AND 421-512 MHz BANDS

Key Deadlines

- (1) Beginning **January 1, 2011**, no more applications for wide band or modification of existing wideband stations
- (2) By **January 1, 2013**, Industrial/Business and Public Safety Radio Pool licensees must
 - operate on 12.5 kHz (11.25 kHz occupied bandwidth) or narrower channels, or
 - employ a technology that achieves the narrowband equivalent of one channel per 12.5 kHz of channel bandwidth (voice) or 4800 bits per second per 6.25 kHz (data).

THANK YOU!



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