

Resolution # TC-18-03-03

FTA Section 5311 and FASTER Transit Distribution Methodology for Operating and Administrative Funds

Approved by the Transportation Commission on March 15, 2018.

WHEREAS, 49 U.S.C. 5311 outlines the requirements for CDOT to administer 5311 program funds on behalf of FTA; and

WHEREAS, C.R.S. 43-1-701 further guides the fair and equitable fund distribution on FTA's behalf for rural transit throughout Colorado; and

WHEREAS, Resolution TC-17-11-13 established the FASTER Transit Distribution methodology which included funds for local agency operating and administrative expenses; and

WHEREAS, CDOT places high value on rural transit in Colorado, and the fair and equitable distribution of federal and state operating funds; and

WHEREAS, in 2016 CDOT could not fund new eligible 5311 applicants without reducing funding to current recipients; and

WHEREAS, a Subcommittee of the Transit & Rail Advisory Committee (TRAC) was established to evaluate and devise a contemporary distribution methodology consistent with the Transportation Commission policy framework of 1) Fair and Equitable Distribution, 2) Transparent Process, 3) Stable Funding Base, 4) Available to all Eligible Providers, and 5) Rewards Performance; and

WHEREAS, the TRAC Subcommittee devised and recommended a distribution methodology with a suggested five year transition period, with endorsements from the TRAC and STAC; and

WHEREAS, The TRAC Subcommittee recommended that the FASTER funds should be allocated based on equity factors while the 5311 funds are allocated according to agency size.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Transportation Commission approves the Subcommittee-recommended 5311 distribution methodology as a framework and shown on Attachments A1 & A2, and including the following additional provision:

- Provide regular reports back to the Transit and Intermodal Committee on the application of the methodology. Include information about how the methodology accounts for new transit agencies and transit agencies that substantially expand or decrease service.

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Date