

TEXAS TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

VARIOUS Counties

MINUTE ORDER

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ALL Districts

The Texas Transportation Commission (commission) takes special note of its designation by the governor as the administering agency for the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) grant program, "Formula Grant Program for Areas Other than Urbanized" (49 U.S.C. §5311), in a letter dated June 13, 2002; and further acknowledges that federal program regulations require the Texas Department of Transportation (department) to ensure that these grant funds are distributed fairly and equitably within the state.

Title 43, Texas Administrative Code (TAC), §31.36(g) establishes a formula by which §5311 program funds shall be distributed to the nonurbanized areas of the state. On August 10, 2005, President George W. Bush signed the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU). SAFETEA-LU authorizes the federal surface transportation programs for highways, highway safety, and transit for the 5-year period 2005-2009. On November 30, 2005, President George W. Bush signed the federal appropriations act into law that provides funding for all surface transportation programs of the U.S. Department of Transportation, through September 30, 2006.

The distribution of the FY 2006 allocation, including unobligated funds from previous grants, is shown in Exhibit A and has been calculated in accordance with the provisions of §31.36(g). The apportionments and allocations published are subject to a one percent rescission in the FY 2006 Defense Appropriations Act. FTA will publish a revised notice to implement any rescission. Should the rescission affect the FY 2006 apportionment, the Commission Discretionary Funds allocation shown in Exhibit A will be adjusted in accordance with the formula in 43 TAC §31.36(g) (3).

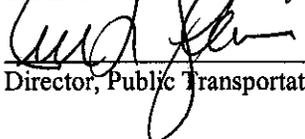
Transportation Code, Chapter 455 assigns a broad spectrum of public transportation roles and missions to the department.

Transportation Code, Chapter 456 authorizes the commission to administer funds appropriated for public transportation.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the commission that the executive director or the director's designee is directed to proceed with the allocations as described in Exhibit A, submit the necessary application to FTA and enter into the necessary contracts for the FY 2006 program of projects.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED by the commission that the executive director or the director's designee is directed to issue contracts in accordance with the priorities established in this minute order.

Submitted and reviewed by:



Director, Public Transportation Division

Recommended by:



Executive Director

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EXHIBIT A
ALLOCATION OF FEDERAL §5311 FUNDS TO RURAL TRANSIT OPERATORS

<u>Rural Transit District</u>	<u>FY 2006 Allocation</u>
Alamo Area Council of Governments	\$453,239
ArkTex Council of Governments	356,772
Aspermont Small Business Development Center, Inc.	171,667
Bee Community Action Agency	214,649
Brazos Transit District	2,278,585
Capital Area Rural Transportation System	824,395
Caprock Community Action Association, Inc.	255,928
Central Texas Rural Transit District	398,870
Cleburne, City of	203,536
Collin County Committee on Aging	150,962
Colorado Valley Transit, Inc.	344,382
Community Action Council of South Texas	236,692
Community Council of Southwest Texas, Inc.	322,263
Community Service, Inc.	199,058
Concho Valley Rural Transit District	321,057
Del Rio, City of	175,730
East Texas Council of Governments	274,087
El Paso County	143,885
Fort Bend County Rural Transit District	60,385
Golden Crescent Regional Planning Commission	278,680
Heart of Texas Council of Governments	275,618
Hill Country Transit District	349,116
Kaufman Area Rural Transportation	172,216
Kleberg County Human Services	139,823
Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council	327,871
Panhandle Community Services	528,267
Public Transit Services	241,775
Rolling Plains Management Corporation	261,825
Rural Economic Assistance League, Inc.	288,951
Senior Center Resources and Public Transit, Inc.	165,115
South East Texas Regional Planning Commission	279,648
South Padre Island, Town of	130,153
South Plains Community Action Association, Inc.	380,368
SPAN, Inc.	224,085
Texoma Area Paratransit System, Inc.	440,412
The Gulf Coast Center	201,676
The Transit System, Inc.	291,309
Webb County Community Action Agency	240,596
West Texas Opportunities, Inc.	500,706
	\$13,104,352

EXHIBIT A
ALLOCATION OF FEDERAL §5311 FUNDS TO RURAL TRANSIT OPERATORS

	<u>FY 2006 Allocation</u>
FY 2006 Federal Apportionment	\$28,379,729
Intercity Bus Enhancements	-4,256,959
State Administration ¹	- 1,200,000
Unobligated Amounts From Previous Grants	+436,156
Commission Discretionary Funds	-10,254,574
Available to Rural Transit Operators	\$13,104,352

¹ The state administrative set-aside can be up to 15 percent of the total annual apportionment. The \$1.2 million set-aside is 4.23 percent of the apportionment.