

## Regionally Coordinated Transportation Planning 5-Year Comprehensive Public Transit-Human Services Transportation Plan Update 2020

### Questions and Answers

Question	Answer
<p>On page 17 question 2, the instructions indicate Letters of Commitment are required however, page 20 question 3 states Letters of Support; are these the same?</p>	<p>Letters of support and letters of commitment are not the same. Letters of support endorse the project while letters of commitment state that a stakeholder will provide a specific resource, for example funds or staff time. Page 17 of the Instructions provides a more elaborate description of each.</p>
<p>Can we obtain clarification on the 5-Year Comprehensive Public Transit-Human Services Transportation Plan dates? Page 5 states January 2022 through December 2026, however the current plan overlaps with these dates.</p>	<p>The expectation is that the new plan will be in effect from January 2022 through December of 2026. If a current plan period is past December 2021 the new plan should supersede any plan that is currently in place.</p>
<p>During the “Completing the Funding Application” webinar by Linda Hernandez on 01/14/20 it was indicated that the Project Period (page 5) should be corrected to reflect September 1, 2020 – February 28, 2022, is this correct?</p>	<p>Yes, it is correct that the Project Grant Agreement period is anticipated to be from September 1, 2020 through February 28, 2022.</p>
<p>On page 21 the Goal states “Prepare a 5-year comprehensive public transit-human services transportation plan that covers from January 2022-December 2026 that encompasses all available transportation assets...” are the respondents required to submit the 5-year public workplan at the time of the application’s submission? These instructions imply that the workplan should accompany the application submission process, is this correct?</p>	<p>The “workplan” refers to the work effort required to produce the 5 year comprehensive service plan. Page 21 of the Instructions gives the additional guidance stating, “Follow the instructions given on the form to complete the table at the bottom. Complete a new row for each deliverable. The goals and objectives may be repeated if needed. The product of the table will be a workplan for the funds awarded based on this application for funds to complete 5 Year Plan.”</p>
<p>Page 5 under Purpose states, “The purpose of this call for projects is to assist planning regions in Texas in developing, adopting, and implementing a five-year public transit-human services transportation plan”, it is understood that awarded funding as a result of this application will serve to prepare, adopt, and implement the 5-year plan through February 28, 2022. Are we to add funds via this RFP to</p>	<p>No. As in recent years past, funds will be made available to lead agencies to support continuation efforts each year. A standard base amount will be made available following plan completion (last time it was \$30K each). Available amounts in subsequent years will be based on lead agency reported performance metrics.</p>

continue to support our Regional Stakeholders Committee beyond 2022 through 2026?	
Will current regional planning activities continued to be funding for next fiscal year	The call for projects will take the place of the continuation funding. Continuation funding will be made available to lead agencies to support continuation efforts in subsequent years.
In the past, the lead agency was required to provide verification that the other stakeholders wanted them to continue in the capacity as the lead agency. Is this required for this application?	The lead agencies do not need to submit verification during this application process but the lead agency should be the one selected by the stakeholders to fill that role.
Does the inventory of resources include school districts that offer bus services to students?	No. This would not include school districts unless the schools are providing some sort of open to the public transportation.