

**ODOT Public Transit Division  
2009 ARRA 5311 Capital Program  
Review Criteria for Intercity Facility Projects**

Current participants in Oregon's 5311(f) rural intercity program may compete for approximately \$2.2 million ARRA set-aside for facility projects. The primary basis for competitive award for facility applications containing all required information is project readiness, with projects being most ready receiving the highest points.

Projects must substantially benefit intercity bus service. Eligibility criteria is the same as for other PTD ARRA transit projects

The potential for creating or sustaining jobs or early project start dates may also be considered as factors to determine awards if tie breakers are needed.

**Scoring** (Maximum 110 points)

1. Work can be completed timely (within three years). Examples:
  - A. work can be completed within 2 years = 10 points
  - B. work can be completed within 3 years = 5 points
  - C. work will take longer than 3 years = 0 points – not eligible
  
2. Project has been identified in a local plan (Transportation System Plan, Human Service/Transit Coordinated Plan, or other local transportation plan). Examples:
  - A. Project in an approved plan = 10 points
  - B. Plan is in amendment with public comments received and project is in the plan = 5 points
  - C. Not in any plan = 0 points – not eligible
  
3. Request is for additional funds for a project already started that meets all federal requirements. Examples:
  - A. DCE approved and construction started = 20 points
  - B. DCE approved and construction ready to bid for contractors = 10 points
  - C. Project supplants funds from an existing FTA grant = 0 points - not eligible
  
4. All required environmental documentation is included in application:
  - Documented Categorical Exclusion
  - Site Map – included in documentation required for DCE
  - Public Involvement completed
  - Permits – ready to apply for

Examples:

- A. All documents provided and DCE is already approved by FTA = 20 points
  - B. All documents provided, awaiting FTA approval = 15 points
  - C. Some of the documents are included in application = 10 points
  - D. None of the documents are included in application = 0 – not eligible
5. Procurement of contractors can begin as soon as DCE is approved or grant application is signed by both parties. Examples:
- A. Either DCE approved or renovation of existing building and no DCE is required = 10 points
  - B. Shelters ready to bid and placing on existing concrete pad = 5 points
  - C. Ground will be disturbed and DCE not yet approved = 2-3 points
6. Project directly affects the agency's ability to deliver services; or project provides auxiliary services such as administration. Examples:
- A. Agency needs a bus barn to shelter vehicles and preserve them; or project will incorporate ADA accessibility standards = 10 points
  - B. Renovate, remodel or build a new facility to improve access to rides and will improve existing service provision = 5
  - C. Administration building that greatly increases square footage and service delivery will not change = 0-2 points
7. Project will preserve existing facility or services. Examples:
- A. Project is to renovate/remodel an existing facility and is required to provide services = 10 points
  - B. Project is to build a facility expansion for existing service to meet space/maintenance needs that already exist = 3-4 points
  - C. Project is to build a new facility for a new service = 1-2 points
  - D. Land must be purchased in order to build the facility for expanding service = 0 points
8. Facility purpose will improve the passenger experience. Examples:
- A. Facility serves multiple intercity transit providers, multiple transit providers, users of multiple modes in addition to bus = 20 points.
  - B. Facility serves multiple transit providers and passengers = 14 – 18 points.
  - C. Facility serves individual provider and passengers = 10-12 points
  - D. Facility serves single individual provider buses and administration, not passengers = 0-8.