FHWA Activities

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Standing Committee on Highways (SCOH) Meeting
November 13, 2016
Transition

Pre-Election Day Preparation

Election Day until Inauguration Day

Post Inauguration Day: New Administration
FAST Act Implementation

Categorical Exclusion Assignment Program and Surface Transportation Project Delivery Program

Design Standards Guidance

Load Rating for the FAST Act’s Emergency Vehicles Guidance
Federal Register Rulemaking

Asset Management Plans and Periodic Evaluations of Facilities Repeatedly Requiring Repair and Reconstruction Due to Emergency Events
Published: 10/24/2016; Effective: 11/23/2016 & 10/02/2017

Regulatory Update of Transfer and Sanction Programs
Published: 9/30/2016; Effective: 10/1/2016

Metropolitan Planning Organization Coordination and Planning Area Reform
Published: 9/23/2016; Closed

Right-of-Way and Real Estate
Published: 8/23/2016; Effective: 9/22/2016

Categorical Exclusions
Published: 5/31/2016; Effective: 6/30/2016
Federal Register Notices

Project Management Plans for Major Projects  
Published: 11/7/2016; Comments due: 12/07/2016

Local Empowerment for Accelerating Projects (LEAP) Pilot Program  
- Published: 10/26/2016; Applications due: 11/25/2016

Buy America Nationwide Waiver Notification for Commercially Available Off-the-Shelf (COTS) Products With Steel or Iron Components and for Steel Tie Wire Permanently Incorporated in Precast Concrete Products  
Published: 10/18/2016; Comments due: 12/02/2016

Notice of Funding Opportunity for Accelerated Innovation Deployment Demonstration  
Published: 10/14/2016; open, rolling solicitation

Commercial Activities on Interstate Rest Areas  
Published: 9/27/2016; Comments due: 12/27/2016
LEAP Program

Allows on an experimental basis, the direct delivery of Federal-aid funding to LPA for sponsored projects.

Up to five LPAs will be selected for the pilot with the objectives to:

- Determine whether LPAs can deliver Federal-aid projects more expeditiously and at a lower cost as a direct recipient.
- Assess the additional costs and other impacts to FHWA associated with providing effective and efficient stewardship and oversight to an expanded number of direct Federal-aid recipients, and to explore various approaches to stewardship and oversight.

Program will be carried out for a period of five years (unless extended).

Applications for the program are requested by November 25, 2016.
Asset Management

23 CFR 515

- States are required to submit first asset management plans by April 30, 2018 for FHWA’s approval.
- The deadline for submission of a fully compliant asset management plan is June 30, 2019.
- State DOTs must update and resubmit asset management plans for FHWA’s approval at least every four years.

23 CFR 667

- State DOTs must complete a statewide evaluation for all NHS roads, highways, and bridges by November 23, 2018.
AASHTO MASH

Current Status

- FHWA has issued 63 eligibility letters, including at least 3 in every major category
- 22 additional devices under review

Roles

FHWA: Issue letters of eligibility for federal-aid reimbursement
AASHTO TCRS: Be responsible for developing and maintaining the evaluation criteria
Freight

National Highway Freight Program

- To date 35 States have obligated $649,406,287 of their National Highway Freight Program funds, which is 58.1 percent of the funds available for FY16.
- 19 of the 35 States have obligated 100 percent of their FY16 NHFP funds.

FASTLANE Grants

- 18 grant awards totaling $759,200,000 for FY 2016
- NOFO for 2nd round issued; applications accepted through 12/15/2016
### What’s on the Horizon?

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Advanced Transportation and Congestion Management Technologies Deployment Initiative (ATCMTD)
- In October 2016, $56.8 million awarded to 8 projects
- NOFO for 2nd round expected before the end of the year

Surface Transportation System Funding Alternatives (STSFA)
- In August 2016, $14 million awarded to 8 projects
- NOFO for 2nd round expected before the end of the year
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Questions?