

# Section 5304: State Planning and Research Program

## Program Overview

Under this program, funds are provided to states to support statewide transportation planning programs. The funds administered through NDOT may be used for a variety of rural Nevada transportation improvement planning purposes.

The program also provides funding and outlines procedural requirements for multimodal transportation planning in both metropolitan and non-metropolitan areas that is cooperative, continuous, and comprehensive, resulting in long-range plans and short-range programs of transportation investment priorities.

Funds are available for planning activities that:

- Increase the safety of the transportation system for motorized and nonmotorized users.
- Increase the security of the transportation system for motorized and nonmotorized users.
- Increase the accessibility and mobility of people and freight movements.
- Protect and enhance the environment, promote energy conservation, improve quality of life, and promote consistency between transportation improvements and state and local planned growth and economic development patterns.
- Enhance integration and connectivity of the transportation system across and between modes, for people and freight.
- Promote efficient system management and operation.

- Emphasize the preservation of the existing transportation system.

Additional information about the program can be found in [FTA Circular 8100.1D Program Guidance for Metropolitan Planning and State Planning](#) and FTA [Circular 5010.E Award Management Requirements](#).

## Eligible Recipients & Subrecipients

Eligible recipients and/or subrecipients include:

- State Departments of Transportation (DOTs).
- Local governmental authorities and operators of public transportation systems may become subrecipients.

## Eligible Activities

Eligible activities for the 5304 Planning and Research Program include:

- Developing transportation plans and programs.
- Planning and evaluating transportation projects.
- Conducting technical studies.
- Comprehensive intermodal transportation planning, including relationships among land use and transportation modes.

# Funding and Match Requirements

Type	Federal: Local Match Ratio
Planning	80:20

## ELIGIBLE MATCHING FUNDS

Eligible matching funds may include:

- Local tax revenues, such as sales tax receipts.
- Funds from other public agencies.
- Private donations, excluding passenger donations in lieu of fares.
- Advertising revenue.
- Corporate or foundation grants.
- State funds received from agencies other than the DOT.
- In-kind goods and services, including donated labor (operating, mobility management and planning projects only).
- Revenue from other grants awarded to your organization.
- Other funds from your organization not related to passenger services provided under the project (i.e., freight).
- Reserve funds or retained earnings from your organization.
- Contract revenue.

## How to Apply

As a potential funding recipient, you should first determine whether your organization and project are eligible for the program, based on the descriptions provided in the previous sections and/or the related FTA circulars.

Next, please visit NDOT's [Transit Programs](#) web page to view the informational webinar, sign up for a pre-application meeting, find links to other resources, and access the online application. Thank you for your interest in this program.