

Organization Completing Application:

Please include organization name, mailing address and a street address if different (We must have a physical address that is NOT a PO box).

COMPASS	Valley Regional Transit
800 South Industry Way, Suite 100	830 North Main Street, Suite 230
Meridian, Idaho 83642	Meridian, Idaho 83642

Contact person(s) in organization including email address and phone number:

This should include an **Idaho name and address**, but you may also include relevant Washington, DC representatives.

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Location of project, including congressional district

Canyon County, Idaho, Congressional District 1

Name of project

Park and Ride System, Canyon County, Idaho

Type of project—Please circle one:

Highway/road

Bridge

Tunnel

Bicycle/Pedestrian project

Intelligent Transportation System (technology) project

Ferry Boats or Ferry Boat Facilities

Intermodal Freight Facility

Public Transit

Rail

Research project

Other

Please identify if: [N/A](#)

- the project located on a Federal-aid highway?
- the project located on the National Highway System?
- the project located on the Interstate System?

If the project is a public transit project, please identify whether the project is:

- **Passenger Vehicles**
 - Transit Bus or Van
 - Transit Rail Car or Locomotive, including Streetcars
 - Transit Ferry
- **Transit Facilities**
 - Vehicle Maintenance or Administration Facility
 - Passenger Facility, including Intermodal Facilities, stations, and terminals
[This project includes locating, designing, and constructing multiple park and ride lots in Canyon County.](#)
- **Transit Rights-of-Way**
 - Property Acquisition
 - Corridor Development
 - Rail Track Construction or Maintenance
 - Bus-only Lane Construction or Maintenance
- **Transit Equipment**
 - Vehicle-related Equipment
 - System-related Equipment
- **New Start Project** (a major new fixed guidway capital project seeking more than \$75 million in Federal funds.)

- **Small Start Project** (a new fixed guidway capital project seeking less than \$75 million in Federal funds and with a total estimated net capital cost of less than \$250 million)

If the project is a rail project, please identify whether the project is located on:

- **Intercity passenger rail**
 - If so, is the project located within a corridor previously designated by the Secretary of Transportation pursuant to section 104(d)(2) of Title 23, United States Code, or the Northeast Corridor?
 - If yes, which corridor?
- **Freight Rail**
 - Class I Freight Rail
 - Class II or Class III Freight Rail

If it is a research project, please identify which type by circling below:

- University Transportation Center
- Other (please describe)

Did the FHWA, FTA, or Idaho State Department of Transportation confirm that this project is eligible under Title 23 (Highways) or Chapter 53 (Transit?) of Title 49 USC? If so, please provide a contact name, title, and phone number. **Yes.**

[Rick Krochalis, Administrator](#)
[Federal Transit Administration, Region X](#)
[206-220-7954](#)

Please identify the state, regional, or local governmental entity that is an eligible recipient of the funds.

[Valley Regional Transit](#)

Please describe the project by identifying:

Specific terminus points of the project or activity

[This project will determine specific site locations for park and ride lots throughout Canyon County.](#)

Activities (construct, plan, design, etc.)

[Activities include site selection, land acquisition, design, environmental, and construction.](#)

Total estimated cost of the project

\$4,000,000

Requested amount

\$3,200,000

Percentage of total estimated cost (request must finance at least 80% of the total cost)

80%

If the request is less than 80% of the total cost, how will the remaining funding be provided?

N/A

Please provide a BRIEF (five sentences) description of the project. Include why the project is needed and how funding will be used.

This project will identify the most efficient locations, as well as develop and build multiple park and ride lots throughout Canyon County. This project will complement the park and ride system currently operated by Ada County Highway District in Ada County, and will facilitate additional park and ride lots to encourage higher usage of alternative transportation including current and future bus, vanpool and carpool services in the Treasure Valley region.

Is the project included in the State's Long-Range Transportation Plan?

If so, please provide the date of approval of the most recent version of the plan and the title of the plan.

Transit capital infrastructure projects are consistent with *Communities in Motion* (CIM), the regional long-range transportation plan, as illustrative improvements to the transit system. CIM was adopted by the Community Planning Association of Southwest Idaho (COMPASS) Board on August 21, 2006. (page 95)

The project is included in Valley Regional Transit's Regional Operations and Capital Improvement Plan (ROCIP). The ROCIP was adopted by the Valley Regional Transit Board in February 2005.

The project is consistent with the Statewide Transportation Plan, which is visionary in nature, approved by the Idaho Transportation Board in July 2004.

Is the project included in the Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and/or State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)?

If so, please provide the date of approval of the most recent version of the plan and the title of the plan.

Upon notification of funding, the project will be added to the TIP through the amendment process. COMPASS will add the project in the FY2010-2014 TIP

Update as an “illustrative” project with a Congressional High Priority application, and will go through the public involvement process in the summer 2009.

If the project is an intercity passenger rail project, is it included in the State Rail Plan? N/A

If so, please provide the date of approval of the most recent version of the plan and the title of the plan.

Please describe the current status of the project and expected schedule for its completion. (Note whether the project is in planning, environmental review, final design, right-of-way acquisition, under construction, etc.)

This project is currently in the planning stage. Approximate schedule for project development is shown below:

FY2010 – Site selection and Environmental

FY2011 – Final design and land acquisition

FY2012 - Construction

What is the expected date of completion for the project?

Approximately summer 2012.

Have you attached the required letters of support, as described in the cover letter? If not, please explain why not.

Attached.

Does the project have regional or national significance? If so, please BRIEFLY describe significance in 3 or 4 sentences.

The project will develop the regional park and ride system envisioned in Valley Regional Transit’s ROCIP. The park and ride lots should encourage more people to take advantage of alternative transportation options in order to reduce commuter traffic on I-84, US 20/26 and SH 44.

BRIEFLY (500 words or less) describe the following:

- Safety benefits
This project will allow safe and secure locations for transitioning from auto mode to an alternative transportation mode along key corridors in the Treasure Valley. A park and ride system creates a coordinated, predictable, and safe location for these interactions to occur. The park and ride lots will be designed to include safety and security technology.
- Economic development benefits
This project will create jobs through the construction of the facilities. It also provides an economic development benefit in the improvement that is made to the transportation system by allowing for better utilization of alternative transportation for employees to access jobs.

- **Mobility benefits**
Park and ride lots create an intermodal system of access to alternative transportation improving mobility for a variety of transit markets including choice riders who may prefer to take an alternative mode, or for persons who are transit dependent because of a disability or are have low incomes.
- **Environmental benefits**
This project creates a system that increases public access to alternative transportation and can lead to reductions in traffic and overall improvements in air quality.

Has the project received previous federal funding?

No.

Did the project receive funding in an authorization bill? If so, please provide:

- Name of bill
- Section
- Project Number
- Amount of Funding
- Amount Obligated

Did the project receive funding in an appropriations bill? If so, please provide

- Public Law Name
- Public Law Number
- Section
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Did the project receive funding in other legislation? If so, please provide:

- Public Law Name
- Public Law Number
- Section

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Has the project received any prior funding for a state, local, or private source? If so, please provide:

- Source
- Amount of Funding
- Amount Obligated

[It is requested that if funds are granted, they are in addition to the state's annual apportioned funds and come with additional obligation authority.](#)