**AMES TRANSIT AGENCY**

**FFY2019 PROGRAM OF PROJECTS**

#### Under 49 U.S. C 5307(b) and as a direct recipient of FTA Section 5307 funding, the Ames Transit Agency (CyRide) shall annually develop Program of Projects and make it available for public review detailing the project purpose, funding requested and the local and Federal share. The proposed program of projects has been developed in consultation with interested parties, including private transportation providers and human service agencies. This POP details the sub-allocation of Iowa’s FFY2019 Statewide Apportionment of 5307 funds to Ames which may be used for operating support or for capital projects at CyRide’s discretion.

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|  | **Transit Agency** | **Federal** | **Local** | **Total** |
| General Operating Assistance | Ames Transit Agency (CyRide) | $2,406,365 | $2,406,365 | $4,812,730 |
| **Section 5307 Annual Apportionment Total** | | **$2,406,365** | **$2,406,365** | **$4,812,730** |

#### Project(s) Description

#### General Operating Assistance: General Operating Assistance funding supports the day-to-day transit operations (typically applied to payroll only; i.e. driver wages) of the Ames Transit Authority from Ames’ urbanized area formula apportionment funding. This 5307 funding is only approximately 18-20% of CyRide’s operating budget.

#### Public Hearing Notice & Opportunity for Comment

Ames Transit Agency (CyRide) is holding a public hearing at CyRide, 601 N. University Blvd., Ames, Iowa 50010, at 9:00 a.m. CDT on Monday, April 29, 2019. The purpose of this hearing is to discuss grant applications from CyRide to the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) under the Section 5307 Program of the Fixing America’s Surface Transportation *(*FAST) Act.

CyRide will request Federal Transit Assistance (FTA) of 5307 federal funding in the amount of $2,406,365 to be matched with an equal local share for support of their FFY2019 general transit operations.

These projects are in conformance with the Transportation Improvement Program prepared by the Ames Area Metropolitan Planning Organization. A copy of the application for the proposed projects, together with a description of the project is currently available for public inspections at the offices of the undersigned. Comments on this application are invited from interested individuals and/or parties and should be submitted to CyRide no later than 9:00 a.m. CDT on April 29, 2019.

Any interested person or agency is invited to attend this hearing and speak for or against this application for funding. Any verbal or written comments made by the above date/time will be considered in preparing of the final Program of Projects, and if deemed appropriate CyRide will modify the projects. If no comments are received this Program of Projects will be considered final. The final Program of Projects, including copies of comments received, will be made available for inspection by the public from April 30, 2019 to May 30, 2019 between the hours of 8:00 am and 4:30 pm. For additional information you may call Shari Atwood, Transit Planner, at (515) 239-5539 or e-mail at satwood@cyride.com.