



TRANSIT ASSET MANAGEMENT

TAMNews

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FTA's Transit Asset Management (TAM) newsletter keeps you up to date on asset management initiatives and creates a forum for the industry to share information and learn from one another.

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Announcements

Updated FAQs: The [TAM FAQs](#) page has been updated to include the top 10 most frequently asked questions. A full set of all Questions and Answers are now available on the [Archived Questions and Answers](#) page.

Consider submitting your agency's best practices to the TAM Peer Library: The [TAM Peer Library](#) showcases examples of policies, processes, tools, or other resources you have to share from transit agencies. Click the link to learn more and submit your work.

TAM Plans: TAM Plans are now available for peer learning from the [AASHTO TAMP Builder](#) site. We are also accepting TAM Plan submissions for a forthcoming page on the [APTA](#) site.

Upcoming Events

Putting TAM Data to Good Use Webinar: [Register](#) for the FTA webinar on data integration at 3-4 p.m. ET on March 19. The event will review how two agencies are using their TAM data to support agency efforts and communicate their asset management successes.

Introduction to TAM (Tier I Agencies): NTI is hosting two upcoming trainings: [March 5-7 in Orlando, Florida](#) and [April 8-10 in Washington, DC](#). The course will cover principles and best practices for transit asset management, as well as how to comply with federal regulations.

2019 TAM Roundtable- Multimodal: Save the date for the first of two TAM Roundtable events in 2019, on [July 16-18](#) in Baltimore, Maryland. This 2.5 day event will be geared toward multimodal providers and larger, more complex bus operators.

2019 TAM Roundtable- Bus Operators: The second 2019 TAM Roundtable event will occur on [September 4-5](#) in St. Louis, Missouri. This 1.5 day event is designed for smaller tier I and tier II agencies that do not operate rail and will focus on more fundamental issues related to TAM implementation.

New Resources

Kayak Public Transit Asset Management/Maintenance Plan: A new [case study](#) for tribal/small providers is now available on Kayak Public Transit, a transit service provider for the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation (CTUIR) in Oregon.

TAM and PTASP Fact Sheet: The FTA [fact sheet](#) has been updated to include more information on Group Plans/State DOT Requirements.

MPO Coordination Webinar: A [recording](#) of the November 28, 2018 MPO Coordination Webinar is now available.

Webinar Resources: Additional transcripts from past TAM webinars are [now available](#). Previous webinar recordings can also now be found on the FTA [YouTube channel](#).

Articles

Amtrak chair wants to study Cuomo's L train fix for its own tunnels: Amtrak has been [planning to demolish](#) two East River tunnels after damage from Hurricane Sandy, but will now take a close look at Cuomo's fix before making a decision on whether to use the idea instead.

Broken transportation system needs new revenue: The Massachusetts Commission on the Future of Transportation [released its report](#) on the future of transportation in the state, which portrays a transportation system in need of modernization and far from a state of good repair.

CTA moves forward with major red line projects: Red and purple modernization phase one and red line extension: The Chicago Transit Board [approved a contract](#) to design and build the first phase of the Red and Purple Modernization (RPM) Program.

El Paso transit agency wraps up streetcar construction: The Camino Real Regional Mobility Authority in Texas has [finished construction](#) on the El Paso Streetcar project. This included building a maintenance and storage facility, track, and more.

GoBus awarded \$1.24M to replace aging rural transit vehicles: A Texas Department of Transportation grant will provide [new vehicles](#) to a rural East Texas transportation provider to replace vehicles that have approached or are approaching the end of their useful life.

Metra says it will meet Federal deadline for safety system—but other improvements will be delayed to pay for it: Chicago's Metra commuter rail agency is [on schedule](#) to complete full implementation of positive train control (PTC), but has had to forego other improvements.

Virginia sets priorities for infrastructure, transit: The Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) of Virginia's [Six-Year Finance Plan](#) prioritizes maintaining existing infrastructure and reforming statewide transit capital and operating allocation recommendations.