

Federal Multi-Agency Sustainable Infrastructure Resource Forum for California Tribes and Tribal Organizations

Financing Resources Panel



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- Public Transportation on Indian Reservations (5311c)
- Rural and Small Urban Areas (5311)
- Transportation for Elderly Persons and Persons with Disabilities (5310)
- Job Access and Reverse Commute (5316)
- New Freedom (5317)
- Transit in the Parks Program (5320)

- Program has existed since FY 2006.
- Funded as a takedown from FTA's Rural Program (Section 5311).
- Funds are in addition to formula funds that tribes receive from states through FTA's program for assistance to rural areas.
- Federally-recognized Indian tribes and Alaskan Native Villages are eligible.
- Eligible expenses: planning, capital, and operating assistance for tribal public transit services.

FTA Tribal Transit Program



- Grants directly to tribes through an annual national competitive selection process.
- \$15.1 million available in FY2010.
- FTA received 96 proposals requesting over \$36.8 million in funding.
- 59 projects were selected in FY2010.
- Project selections were made based on each applicant's responsiveness to the program's evaluation criteria.
 1. Project planning and coordination
 2. Demonstration of need
 3. Benefits of projects
 4. Financial commitment and operating capacity

FTA Tribal Transit Program



ARIZONA

- **Tohono O'Odham Nation: \$389,693**
Purpose: Implementation of two fixed routes of general public transit services and the associated operational and maintenance costs, and to hire a transit manager.
- **San Carlos Apache: \$214,739**
Purpose: Planning, fleet operation and maintenance, facilities operations, construction of tribe's first covered bus shelter, and hiring of a consultant to review tribe's transit operations.
- **Cocopah Tribe: \$242,860**
Purpose: Operating assistance to continue and expand fixed route service.
- **Yavapai Apache Nation: \$325,500**
Purpose: To purchase vehicles, bus stop signage and benches, and to provide operating and administrative services for a transit route.
- **Kaibab Paiute: \$103,500**
Purpose: For replacement vehicles.
- **Navajo Transit System: \$500,000**
Funds will go toward operating assistance.
- **White Mountain Apache: \$362,500**
Initiation of transit service on one route of three routes called for in the FTA-funded transportation plan for the tribe.

FY2010 TTP Projects Selected



CALIFORNIA

- **Yurok Tribe: \$155,940**
Purpose: To enhance and continue operations of transit services, and to purchase two new bus shelters.
- **Susanville Indian Tribe: \$200,000**
Purpose: To expand and improve public transportation services, to construct oil recycling collection station, and to expand parking lot.
- **Blue Lake Rancheria: \$230,000**
Purpose: Transit vehicle purchases and vehicle emissions retrofit.

- **Reservation Transportation Authority: \$400,000**
Purpose: To provide continued operational funding for route enhancements during fourth year of the RTA's Tribal Transit Program and new bus services to tribal lands in San Diego County.

NEVADA

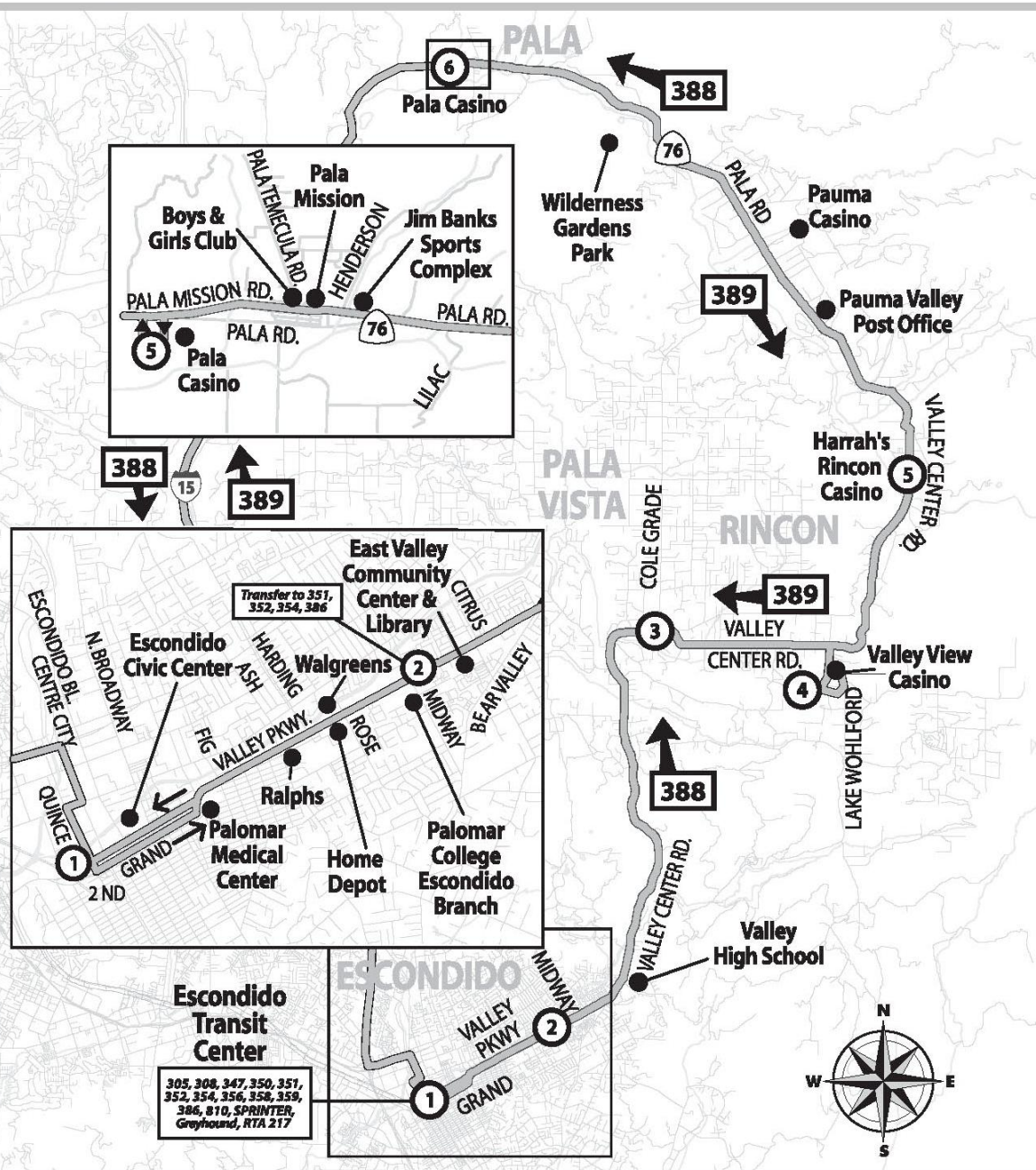
- **Fallon Paiute Shoshone: \$270,000**
Purpose: Operating expenses and purchase of transit vehicles necessary for startup transit service.

FY2010 TTP Projects Selected





FTA-Funded Project: Tribal Transit





FTA Tribal Transit

North San Diego County Transit District

-  Route / Ruta
-  Street / Calle
-  Time Point / Punto de Tiempo
-  Landmark / Señal



- TIGER (DOT) (Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery)
- Bus Livability (FTA)
- TIGGER (FTA) Transit Investment Generating Greenhouse Gas Energy Reductions)
- Clean Fuels (FTA)

Additional DOT Resources



- Indian Reservation Roads Program (IRR)
- Park Roads and Parkways Program (PRP)
- National Scenic Byways Program
- State and Community Highway Safety Grant Program (Section 402)
- Safe Routes to School

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