



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

Submit your agency's TAM Plans: TAM Plan examples are now available on the [APTA website](#). Submit your TAM Plan to FTA to be featured on the site.

Upcoming Events

Staying on Track with TAM: FTA Updates, Upcoming Deadlines and Resources

Webinar: The next TAM webinar will be held from 2:00-3:00pm ET on October 21 and will provide an update on recently published materials and upcoming deadlines. Keep an eye on the TAM website for registration details!

TRB TAM Conference: TRB's 13th National Conference on Transportation Asset Management has been [rescheduled](#) for August 7-10, 2021 in Boston, MA.

New Resources

2020 TAM Virtual Roundtable: The [recording](#) and [presentations](#) from the July 28-30, 2020 TAM Virtual Roundtable are now available.

Synthesis Reports on Investment Prioritization and Decision Support Tools: FTA published companion synthesis reports on [investment prioritization processes](#) and [decision support tools](#). These reports document the state of the practice and offer insights from interviews with five transit agencies.

Self-Assessment Tool: This [technical assistance tool](#) is provided to assist transit operators with reviewing the components within each of the required elements in a TAM Plan, along with establishing a method for assessing the quality of their TAM Plans. This tool is meant for agencies that have met all FTA TAM plan requirements and are looking to go further to determine and enhance its usefulness and effectiveness.

TAM Systems Handbook: This [handbook](#) is intended to expand upon and provide general information and guidance on the management of systems and associated assets used in the transit operating environment in support of the FTA TAM rule.

TAM Resources Search: FTA recently released an [interactive table](#) on the TAM website featuring hundreds of resources from FTA, APTA, transit agencies, and more.

Using NTD Data to Support TAM: Resources from the June 3, 2020 webinar are now available on the [TAM site](#).

Transportation Asset Management in a COVID-19 World: The recording from TRB's July 15, 2020 webinar is now available on the [TAM site](#).

Articles

MTA announces major switch replacement work to improve system reliability: The Metropolitan Transportation Authority will [replace track switches and perform other infrastructure improvement projects](#) on three of the system's subway lines. The agency is bundling projects and completing the work during August, which has traditionally low ridership, to minimize the disruption to riders.

MBTA uses lower ridership during COVID-19 pandemic to advance maintenance: The Massachusetts Bay Transit Authority is taking advantage of lower ridership during the COVID-19 pandemic to [conduct a major maintenance project](#) on the system's Green Line. Crews are working around-the-clock to deliver major improvements including track replacement to provide safer and more comfortable service to riders.

Metra completes renovations to make rail station fully ADA compliant: Metra recently held a dedication ceremony to celebrate the [new renovations to the Hazel Crest Station facility](#) on the Metra Electric Line. The project included the rehabilitation of various parts of the facility

to make the station fully compliant with the accessibility requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

MTA continues installation of contactless fare payment system: The Metropolitan Transportation Authority [installed OMNY readers, a contactless fare payment solution](#), across all 151 Manhattan subway stations and on over 800 buses. The agency will install contactless fare payment readers in remaining stations by the end of the calendar year.