



TRANSIT ASSET MANAGEMENT

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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

2021 Roundtable Save the Date: Save the date for the 2021 TAM Roundtable, which will be held virtually on Tuesday, June 22! Please keep an eye on the [TAM website](#) for registration details and to share your ideas for topics we should cover.

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

Upcoming Events

Maintaining MomenTAM Webinar: The next TAM webinar will be held tomorrow, Wednesday, March 31 at 1pm ET and will feature representatives from Casco Bay Lines and RTD-Denver discussing how agencies can maintain energy and focus around TAM amid other agency priorities. Register [here](#) today!

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

NTD Narrative Report Example Format: This updated [resource](#) is intended to support agencies with developing their narrative reports for the National Transit Database. The user-friendly tool provides prompts for information that could be useful for inclusion in reports. This resource, which replaces and combines the example format and the sample that were previously available, provides better guidance on the level of detail to include in an agency's narrative report along with sample language for agencies to include in their reports. FTA encourages transit agencies to download and review the document in advance of their next annual submission.

Articles

FTA announces funding opportunity for low or no emission transit vehicles & facilities: FTA [announced \\$180 million in grant funding](#) for transit agencies to purchase or lease low- or no- emission vehicles and to support facilities that use advanced technologies to provide cleaner, more energy efficient transit operations in communities across the country. FTA will prioritize applications with an environmental justice component along with those that support workforce development activities to help America's transit workers succeed. Apply by April 12.

Casco Bay Lines uses its TAM Plan to prioritize investments: Casco Bay Island Transit District is [updating part of its fleet of vessels](#) based on the metrics laid out in the agency's TAM Plan. The agency used its TAM Plan during its long-range planning process to coordinate with partners and secure funding for the design and construction of a new ferry prior to their existing assets exceeding their useful life.

MetroTransit completes signal upgrades to improve system reliability: Metro Transit [replaced outdated equipment at 10 intersections](#) with a new technology that will improve communication between traffic lights for motor vehicles and the system that controls trains. The technology will boost on-time performance and improve system reliability by providing trains with more time to pass through intersections without having to stop.