



U.S. Department  
of Transportation  
**Federal Transit  
Administration**

Administrator

1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE  
Washington, DC 20590

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Dear Colleague,

The Federal Transit Administration's (FTA) Transit Asset Management (TAM) Program continues to provide resources and technical assistance to help transit agencies implement strategic approaches to monitoring, maintaining, and replacing transit assets. Taking a strategic approach to TAM will help to reduce the state of good repair backlog, improving the safety, reliability, and effectiveness of public transportation for America's communities.

I am sending this letter to remind you of the TAM plan update requirement under the TAM regulation, 49 CFR Part 625. The TAM regulation requires a provider to update its entire TAM plan at least once every four (4) years. Since most FTA grantees established an initial TAM plan under this rule by October 1, 2018, most FTA grantees must update their TAM plans by October 1, 2022. FTA recognizes that if you have already completed an update to your TAM plan after October 2018, your next update is not required until four years from the date of the last update.

Within the TAM plan you may wish to document your criteria for updating the TAM plan and your standard operating procedure for completing these updates. These aspects of your TAM plan may be reviewed during your comprehensive oversight reviews.  
[<https://www.transit.dot.gov/TAM/gettingstarted/htmlFAQs>]

This is also a reminder that your Accountable Executive, which is usually your Chief Executive Officer or General Manager, must approve the TAM plan and must self-certify your compliance with the TAM regulation in the Certifications and Assurances phase of your grant applications with FTA.

Please also remember that you are required to share your TAM information, including your TAM plan and your performance targets, with your Metropolitan Planning Organization and State Department of Transportation planning partners.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Tamalynn Kennedy, TAM Program Analyst, at (202) 366-7573 or [Tamalynn.Kennedy@dot.gov](mailto:Tamalynn.Kennedy@dot.gov).

Sincerely,

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