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Subject: Final Interim Policy Guidance for Capital Investment Grant Program

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Dear Grantees:

FTA recently published the Final Interim Policy Guidance for the Capital Investment Grant (CIG) Program which went into effect August 5, 2015. This final policy guidance is characterized as “interim” because, in the near future, FTA will initiate a rulemaking to amend the regulations at 49 CFR Part 611 to fully carry out the authorizing statute for the CIG Program, codified in 49 USC 5309, and as amended by the *Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act* (MAP-21).

The link to the guidance is <http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2015-08-05/pdf/2015-19200.pdf>.

Highlights of the guidance include:

- Getting Into and Through the Steps in the Process
- Warrants
- Congestion Relief Evaluation Criterion (new per MAP-21)
- Bus Rapid Transit Eligibility
- Core Capacity Eligibility (new per MAP-21)

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Sincerely,

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