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### **U.S. Department of Transportation**

**Federal Transit Administration** 

# **Application**

Federal Award Identification Number (FAIN)	NV-2022-011-00
Temporary Application Number	7259-2022-1
Application Name	Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe, FY2022 Tribal Transit Formula, Operating Assistance
Application Status	Final Concurrence / Reservation
Application Budget Number	0

Period of Performance Start Date	N/A
Original Period of Performance End Date	7/31/2023
Current Period of Performance End Date	N/A Revision #: N/A

# **Part 1: Recipient Information**

# Name: PYRAMID LAKE PAIUTE TRIBE

Recipient ID	Recipient OST Type	Recipient Alias	UEI	DUNS
7259	Indian Tribe	Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe	GARBAUBDLGZ4	099539793

Location Type	Address	City	State	Zip
Headquarters	208 CAPITOL HILL	NIXON	NV	89424
Physical Address	208 CAPITOL HILL	NIXON	NV	89424
Mailing Address	PO BOX 256	NIXON	NV	89424

### **Union Information**

There are no union contacts for this application

# **Part 2: Application Information**

Title: Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe, FY2022 Tribal Transit Formula,

### **Operating Assistance**

FAIN	Application Status	Application Type	Date Created	Last Updated Date	From TEAM?
NV-2022- 011-00	Final Concurrence / Reservation	Grant	5/10/2022	5/10/2022	No

#### **Application Executive Summary**

This application to request FY2022 Section 5311 Tribal Transit Formula appointed to the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe, Nevada in the amount of \$129,754.

#### Purpose:

The purpose of this application is to assist with operational funds for upgrading, reclassifying and retaining transit employees. Operational funds will include expenses needed for fuel costs for the remaining year of FY22 & FY23. Lastly, operational funds will be used for administration supplies/equipment for the newly constructed transit facility and assistance with the transit administration's operations.

#### Activities to be performed:

The activities that will be performed is 1.) Upgrading and reclassifying the current transit specialist/ dispatcher and transit operator positions within the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribal Transit Department; 2.) Use operational funds for fuel expense for two (2) transit buses; 3.) Use operational funds to assist with the purchase of administration supplies for the newly constructed transit facility; and 4.) Use operational funds for transit administration.

#### **Expected Outcomes:**

The outcomes of having this grant application approved will be to improve the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribal Transit program by retaining employees and attracting qualified job applicants for open transit positions. The current wages that are in place are not competitive with jobs in this rural area. The job market with warehouse work, or other rural transit agencies pay higher wages thus making it difficult to recruit qualified drivers and dispatchers.

The outcome is having operational assistance for fuel costs. The supplies/equipment expenses will assist in purchasing furniture and equipment under \$5,000 for the newly constructed transit facility will be used with the operational funds. The transit facility construction project is expected for completion in 2023.

#### Intended beneficiaries:

Pyramid Lake Transit will be able to recruit and retain qualified drivers and dispatchers for the program. The benefit for obtaining operational assistance with fuel is that the transit program will be able to continue to run the two (2) existing buses efficiently for the rest of this fiscal year and partially FY2024. The inflated fuel rates have tremendously affected the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribal Transit's two (2) existing buses as the monthly fuel bill has doubled in costs from being \$3,500-\$4,000 per month in 2021 to \$7,000 in the month of April, 2022. The benefit of having operational assistance is to continue to have funding for administrative costs related to the operation of this program and for the future transit facility.

Subrecipient Activities: None

With this application, Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribal Transit is requesting a total amount of \$129,754.00. A local match can be obtained if it is required in this application. The match will be from the BIA Transportation/TTP.

\$129,754 federal award amount x 22.06% indirect cost rate = \$28,623 x 10% FTA 5311 Tribal indirect costs cap = \$2,862 total eligible indirect costs.

The following is breakdown of costs that will be used with this award:

\* Salary & Fringe for upgrades/reclassification of the transit specialist/dispatcher and transit operator positions: \$51,300

Federal Funds: FY2022 5311 Funds from Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe, Nevada in the amount of \$129,754

Local Match: \$0 Local Sales Tax Total Project Cost: \$129,754

Performance Start Date: July 1, 2022 Performance End Date: July 31, 2023

#### Frequency of Milestone Progress Reports (MPR)

Annual

#### Frequency of Federal Financial Reports (FFR)

Annual

#### Does this application include funds for research and/or development activities?

This award does not include research and development activities.

#### **Pre-Award Authority**

This award is using Pre-Award Authority.

### Does this application include suballocation funds?

Recipient organization is the Designated Recipient and can apply for and receive these apportioned funds.

#### Will this Grant be using Lapsing Funds?

No, this Grant does not use Lapsing Funds.

#### Will indirect costs be applied to this application?

This award is applying an approved Indirect cost rate(s).

*Indirect Rate Details*: \$129,754 federal award amount x 22.06% indirect cost rate = \$28,623 x 10% FTA 5311 Tribal indirect costs cap = \$2,862 total eligible indirect costs.

### Requires E.O. 12372 Review

No, this application does not require E.O. 12372 Review.

#### **Delinquent Federal Debt**

No, my organization does not have delinquent federal debt.

### **Application Point of Contact Information**

First Name	Last Name	Title	E-mail Address	Phone
Michele	Smith	Transit Manager	msmith@plpt.nsn.us	(775) 574-2410
Phil	Yue	Program Management Specialist	Phil.Yue@dot.gov	(415) 734-9476

### **Application Budget Control Totals**

Funding Source	Section of Statute	CFDA Number	Amount
5311 - Tribal Transit Program Formula	5311-1B	20509	\$129,754
Local			\$0
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0

<sup>\*</sup> Fuel costs for two (2) existing transit buses to cover fuel costs for approximately 8 months at \$7,000/month): \$53,454

<sup>\*</sup> Administrative expenses for supplies, equipment under \$5,000, R&M, etc. used for operations of the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribal Transit newly constructed transit facility and current administration: \$25,000

State/In-Kind	\$0
Other Federal	\$0
Transportation Development Credit	\$0
Adjustment	\$0
Total Eligible Cost	\$129,754

### **Application Budget**

Project Number	Budget Item		FTA Amount	Non- FTA Amount	Total Eligible Amount	Quantity	
NV-2022-011-01- 00	600-00 (600- A1)	OTHER PROC	GRAM	\$129,754.00	\$0.00	\$129,754.00	1
NV-2022-011-01- 00		30.09.02	SLIDING SCALE (5311 OR 5310 PILOT ONLY)	\$129,754.00	\$0.00	\$129,754.00	1

### **Discretionary Allocations**

This application does not contain discretionary allocations.

## **Part 3: Project Information**

# Project Title: FY2022 PLPT TRIBAL TRANSIT TRIBAL FORMULA, OPERATIONAL

Project Number	Temporary Project Number	Date Created	Start Date	End Date
NV-2022-011-01-00	7259-2022-1-P1	5/10/2022	7/1/2022	7/31/2023

#### **Project Description**

This application is to request FY2022 Section 5311 funds apportioned to the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribal Transit, Nixon, Nevada in the amount of \$129,754. This project will assist with operational costs related to administrative expenses such as salaries, supplies/equipment, and fuel. The current transit specialist/ dispatcher and transit operator positions will be reclassified and upgraded to be able to retain and attract applicants to vacant positions within the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribal Transit department. After a job comparability study was completed with transit agencies in both the rural and urban areas, Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribal Transit positions are paid much lower than other agencies. In addition, the job market in this particular area which consists of warehouse related jobs pay more, which is competitive to transit positions available. Operational funds will assist with paying 25% of the upgraded positions for the remaining year of FY22 and FY23. Included expenses will assist with fuel costs for the remaining year of FY22 & FY23 for two (2) existing buses as fuel inflation has taken a toll to the existing operating budget that did not foresee the increase occurring this year (2022). The cost of fuel rose tremendously from being invoiced at \$3,500 - \$4,000 to being \$7,000 (April, 2022). Operational funds will be used for administration supplies/equipment for the newly constructed transit facility. When the construction of the new transit facility is complete by FY23, Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribal Transit will need to purchase conference room and public lobby

furniture/items. Operational funds will be used to assist with the current transit administration's operations for expenses such as R&M, equipment < \$5,000, supplies, etc.

#### **Project Benefits**

The benefits of this grant award will improve the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribal Transit (PLPTT) program by retaining employees and attracting qualified job applicants for open transit positions. The current wages that are in place are not competitive with jobs in this rural area. The job market with warehouse work, or other rural transit agencies pay higher wages thus making it difficult to recruit qualified drivers and dispatchers. The salaries for the current transit specialist/dispatcher and transit operators will be pay for a 25% increase upon approval of the job reclassifications by the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribal Council.

The PLPTT will benefit with assistance for fuel costs to continue to run the two (2) existing buses efficiently. The inflated fuel rates have tremendously affected the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribal Transit's two (2) existing buses as the monthly fuel bill has doubled in costs from being \$3,500-\$4,000 per month in 2021 to \$7,000 in the month of April, 2022. The PLPTT is able to provide public transportation to the members of the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe, community members of Fernley (Lyon County) and the Greater Reno-Sparks (Washoe County) by transporting to employment, job training and education, health care, social services, shopping for food and necessities, recreation, and housing. With the rise in fuel costs everywhere, people are utilizing the PLPTT bus services as it is more affordable. The ridership for the month in April, 2022 has increased by 100% due to the rise in fuel costs. The PLPTT benefits the community as many people do not own or drive vehicles. Many of the ridership of PLPTT are elders or handicapped and they look forward to being able to utilize PLPTT to take them to local grocery shopping areas.

The benefit of obtaining operational assistance for supplies/equipment expenses will assist in purchasing furniture and equipment under \$5,000 for the newly constructed transit facility. The transit facility construction project is expected to be completed in 2023. The Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribal Transit will utilize operational funds for continued administrative costs related to the operation of this program. When the transit facility construction is completed, having new furniture in the lobby and conference room will be beneficial to meet the needs of staff and visitors to the facility. PLPTT will be able to effectively and efficiently provide required training related to Transit and safety. Having furniture in the staff break room will benefit the transit employees to have an area to prepare for their shifts and end their shifts. Having furniture in the lobby will benefit visitors and the general public who are waiting for the bus and keep them safe from weather conditions in the winter and summer months.

The Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribal Transit will utilize operational funds for continued administrative costs related to the operation of this program. The benefit is meeting the administrative needs of the transit program to run efficiently.

#### Additional Information

\$129,754 federal award amount x 22.06% indirect cost rate = \$28,623 x 10% FTA 5311 Tribal indirect costs cap = \$2,862 total eligible indirect costs.

### **Location Description**

Hwy 447, Nixon Nevada

### **Project Location (Urbanized Areas)**

UZA Code	Area Name
320000	Nevada

### **Congressional District Information**

State	District	Representative	

Nevada	2	Mark E Amodei

### **Program Plan Information**

#### STIP/TIP

Date: 5/10/2022

Description: The attached CSTIP detail data (kinds of work with estimated costs) adult projects. 11 pages are uploaded that specifically show data for the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe.

### **UPWP**

Date: Not Provided Description: N/A

### Long Range Plan

Date: 5/10/2022

Description: Attached is the Long Range Transportation Plan for the Pyramid Lake Paiute Reservation. The plan was provided by Lumos & Associates, Inc. on 8/2/11 and updated by the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe on 5/10/18. The Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribal Transit is listed Appendices J on the Long Range Transportation Plan. The transit facility is in the first phase of construction and the listed assistance for administrative costs will be used after the completion of the facility, 2023.

### **Project Control Totals**

Funding Source	Section of Statute	CFDA Number	Amount
5311 - Tribal Transit Program Formula	5311-1B	20509	\$129,754
Local			\$0
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$129,754

# **Project Budget**

Project Number		Budget Item	FTA Amount	Non- FTA Amount	Total Eligible Amount	Quantity
NV-2022-011-01- 00	600-00 (600- A1)	OTHER PROGRAM COSTS	\$129,754.00	\$0.00	\$129,754.00	1
NV-2022-011-01- 00		SLIDING 30.09.02 SCALE (5311 OR	\$129,754.00	\$0.00	\$129,754.00	1

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### **Project Budget Activity Line Items**

### Budget Activity Line Item: 30.09.02 - SLIDING SCALE (5311 OR 5310 PILOT ONLY)

Scope Name / Code	Line Item #	Line Item Name	Activity	Quantity
OTHER PROGRAM COSTS (600-00)	30.09.02	SLIDING SCALE (5311 OR 5310 PILOT ONLY)	OPERATING ASSISTANCE	1

### **Extended Budget Description**

This application is to request FY2022 Section 5311 funds apportioned to the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe, Nevada in the amount of \$129,754.

Federal Funds: FY2022 Funds from Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe, Nevada in the amount of \$129,754

Local Match: \$0 Local Sales Tax Total Project Cost: \$129,754

### Will 3rd Party contractors be used to fulfill this activity line item?

Yes, 3rd Party Contractors will be used for this line item.

Funding Source	Section of Statute	CFDA Number	Amount
5311 - Tribal Transit Program Formula	5311-1B	20509	\$129,754
Local			\$0
Local/In-Kind			\$0
State			\$0
State/In-Kind			\$0
Other Federal			\$0
Transportation Development Credit			\$0
Adjustment			\$0
Total Eligible Cost			\$129,754

Milestone Name	Est. Completion Date	Description
Tribal Transit Operational	7/1/2022	Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribal Transit (PLPTT) is proposing to reclassify and upgrade current transit employees wages and written job descriptions by an approximate 25% increase upon completion of job comparability studies of neighboring rural and urban transit agencies. This increase will include an increase to the transit employee's pay which includes fringe benefits. The amount needed for the salaries will be \$51,300. The PLPTT is proposing to utilize this funding for operations of the two (2) existing buses for fuel. The amount requested for the fuel assistance is \$53,454.00. The PLPTT is proposing to utilize this funding for

		continued operations for the transit department's supplies, equipment <\$5,000, R&M and furnishings for the newly constructed transit facility upon completion of that project in the amount of \$25,000.
Transit Operational Completion	7/31/2023	Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribal Transit (PLPTT) is proposing to reclassify and upgrade current transit employees wages and written job descriptions by an approximate 25% increase upon completion of job comparability studies of neighboring rural and urban transit agencies. This increase will include an increase to the transit employee's pay which includes fringe benefits. The amount needed for the salaries will be \$51,300. The PLPTT is proposing to utilize this funding for operations of the two (2) existing buses for fuel. The amount requested for the fuel assistance is \$53,454.00. The PLPTT is proposing to utilize this funding for continued operations for the transit department's supplies, equipment <\$5,000, R&M and furnishings for the newly constructed transit facility upon completion of that project in the amount of \$25,000.

### **Project Environmental Findings**

Finding: Class II(c) - Categorical Exclusions (C-List)

#### **Class Level Description**

Class II(c) consists of projects that do not have a significant environmental impact on the human or natural environment and are therefore categorically excluded from the requirement to prepare an environmental assessment or an environmental impact statement. FTA requires a sufficient project description to support a CE determination. The project may require additional documentation to comply with other environmental laws.

#### **Categorical Exclusion Description**

Type 04: Planning and administrative activities which do not involve or lead directly to construction, such as: training, technical assistance and research; promulgation of rules, regulations, directives, or program guidance; approval of project concepts; engineering; and operating assistance to transit authorities to continue existing service or increase service to meet routine demand.

Date Description	Date
Class IIc CE Approved	7/1/2021

Scope Name / Code	Line Item Number	Line Item Name	Quantity	FTA Amount	Total Eligible Cost
OTHER PROGRAM COSTS (600-00)	30.09.02	SLIDING SCALE (5311 OR 5310 PILOT ONLY)	1	\$129,754.00	\$129,754.00

### **Part 4: Fleet Details**

No fleet data exists for this application.

# **Part 5: FTA Review Comments**

### **FTA Comments for DOL**

Comment By	Phil Yue
Comment Type	DOL Review for Information
Date	7/6/2022
Comment	Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe, FY2022 Tribal Transit Formula, Operating Assistance, Department of Labor (DOL) certification is not required. It is for information purposes—as with regular Section 5311 Program applications.

# **Application Review Comments**

Comment By	Phil Yue
Comment Type	Pre-Award Manager Returns Application
Date	5/31/2022
Comment	1) On executive summary, please add this sentence on the first paragraph, This application to request FY2022 Section 5311 Tribal Transit Formula appointed to Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe, Nevada, in the amount of \$129,754.  2) Checking budget control total, does the tribe plan to add \$25,950 local match for this project? You know tribal formula does not require local match. If the tribe prefers to do so, on executive summary, please change your local match to \$25,950 and total project cost to \$155,704. And on executive summary, please indicate the amount of local match the tribe will contribute. On executive summary, please change your breakdown of cost to \$155,704.  3) On Indirect Rate Detail, beside the % of rate, please add the applicable base and the amount will charge for this project  4) On extended budget description, please indicate the amount of local match

Comment By	Phil Yue
Comment Type	Pre-Award Manager Returns Application
Date	5/31/2022
Comment	On application name: Please delete the repeated word, Tribal.  2) On executive summary, please add this sentence on the first paragraph, This application to request FY2022 Section 5311 Tribal Transit Formula appointed to Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe, Nevada, in the amount of \$129,754.  3) On executive summary, please split the expect outcomes and intended beneficiaries to two separate heading  4) On direct Rate Details, please change to this, The rate is 22.06, the applicable base is \$129,754 and the amount of charge will be \$28,627.73  5) On application budget, please change your scope from 300-00 to 600-00 (other program cost)  6) On Extended description, please add the fund, scope and the amount info

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Comment Type	Pre-Award Manager Returns Application
Date	6/1/2022
Comment	1) On executive summary, please add this sentence on the first paragraph, This application to request FY2022 Section 5311 Tribal Transit Formula appointed to Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe, Nevada, in the amount of \$129,754."  2) On Extended description, please add the fund, scope and the amount info.

### Comment By Phil Yue

Comment Type	Pre-Award Manager Returns Application
Date	6/1/2022
Comment	on extended description, please add the fund, scope and the amount info

### Comment By Phil Yue

Comment Type	Pre-Award Manager Returns Application
Date	6/7/2022
Comment	The Indirect cost amount must matched, please change your estimated indirect cost amount to \$28,623 on the application: executive summary, indirect cost detail and additional information.

### Comment By Phil Yue

Comment Type	Pre-Award Manager Returns Application
Date	6/7/2022
Comment	I don't see the changes. The Indirect cost amount must matched, please change your estimated indirect cost amount to \$28,623 on the application: executive summary, indirect cost detail and additional information.

### Comment By Phil Yue

Comment Type	Pre-Award Manager Returns Application
Date	6/7/2022
Comment	Grantee requested to return the application to make modification.

### Comment By Phil Yue

Comment Type	Pre-Award Manager Returns Application
Date	6/7/2022

Comment

Under project, application information, please change the indirect cost, amount of charge to 28,623 and remove the cents.

### Comment By Phil Yue

Comment Type	Pre-Award Manager Returns Application
Date	6/7/2022
Comment	return to grantee for modification.

### Comment By Phil Yue

Comment Type	Pre-Award Manager Returns Application
Date	6/9/2022
Comment	Return application to grantee to make modification on Indirect Cost amount.

### Comment By Phil Yue

Comment Type	Pre-Award Manager Returns Application
Date	6/13/2022
Comment	On indirect cost detail, executive summary and additional information, please changed the statement like this \$129,754 federal award amount x 22.06% indirect cost rate = \$28,623 x 10% FTA 5311 Tribal indirect costs cap = \$2,862 total eligible indirect costs

### Comment By Phil Yue

Comment Type	Pre-Award Manager Returns Application
Date	6/14/2022
Comment	return application per grantee requested.