

## **High Speed Rail Corridors and Intercity Rail Passenger Service**

**Total Funding Available:** \$8.0 billion

**Overview:** Grants to improve the speed and capacity of intercity passenger rail service and high speed rail corridors. This is a new program that was approved in the Passenger Rail Investment and Improvement Act of 2008.

**Special Factors:**

- No matching funds required.
- Priority to projects that support development of intercity high speed rail service.
- Periodic reports to the Federal Transit Administration that include information on spending and job creation will be required.

**How to Access Funding:** The Secretary of the Federal Railroad Administration will release a strategic plan for use of the funds no later than April 18, 2009. The Department of Transportation will release guidance to applicants on grant terms, conditions, and procedures no later than June 17, 2009. There will be separate instructions for high speed rail, intercity rail, and congestion grants.

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