



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

# Memorandum

Subject: **ACTION:** Ferry Boat Program (FBP)  
FY 2019 Full Year Distribution of Funds  
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In Reply  
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From: /Originally Signed by/  
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To: Division Administrators

Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act authorizes funds for the formula based Ferry Boat Program (FBP) for the construction of ferry boat and ferry terminal facilities in accordance with 23 U.S.C. 129(c) and 23 U.S.C. 147. The FBP funds are made available for eligible projects through the State or territory using the data contained in the most recent Bureau of Transportation Statistics (BTS) National Census of Ferry Operators (NCFO) database. States with at least one eligible entity that meet FBP requirements will receive at least \$100,000 for each fiscal year, per 23 U.S.C. 147(f).

Please notify your State departments of transportation (DOTs) that they may request allocation of these funds for projects ready to be authorized.

The funds are contract authority authorized under the FAST Act and made available for obligation under the obligation limitation provided in the Department of Transportation Appropriations Act, 2019 (title I, division G of Public Law 116-6). Under the provisions of Section 1102(f) of the FAST Act, Redistribution of Certain Authorized Funds, only the amount of funds for which obligation limitation is provided will be made available and the remaining funds will be distributed to the States. As a result, \$72,080,000.00 in FBP funds is available for distribution.

The attached table (Attachment 1) shows the distribution of funds by State and ferry service. The funds may only be used for eligible projects in the amount identified and may only be used on publicly owned terminals or boats. The available funding will be posted at <http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/specialfunding/fbp/>.

The listed ferry services operate either publicly owned vessels, or utilize publicly owned terminal facilities. These publicly owned vessels or terminals are determined to be eligible for the FBP program funds based on the 2016 National Census of Ferry Operators database and on follow up reviews by divisions and State DOTs. When requesting an allocation of funds, divisions must confirm that they have reviewed the ferry service and have determined

that the operator and the route meet eligibility requirements in 23 U.S.C. 147 and 129(c), as described in the implementing guidance. Divisions should contact this office if they determine that a ferry service is not eligible for the program. The funds identified for such services will be redistributed to the remaining eligible services based on the statutory formula. Program guidance can be found at <https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/specialfunding/fbp/161212.cfm>.

If a ferry operates between more than one State, the ferry service may elect to transfer funds to the appropriate State to implement an eligible project on the ferry system. States and ferry services should coordinate when selecting the projects. In these cases, the allocation request should include the State to which the funds are to be allocated or transferred. Funds may not be transferred among operators. If the ferry service wants to transfer of FBP funds to another Federal agency for project implementation, form FHWA 1576 must be completed and submitted to this office.

The maximum Federal share for a project in any State or Puerto Rico under this program is 80%. The maximum share in U.S. Territories is 100%. The sliding scale Federal share does not apply to this program. Other matching flexibilities such as donations and “soft match” may be considered. Guidance can be found at <http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/federal-aidessentials/catmod.cfm?id=13>.

When a project is ready to be obligated and the division has confirmed that the ferry service and project are eligible, please submit an allocation request to this office to make the funds available in FMIS. The request should identify the operator and the purpose for which the funds will be used and include confirmation that the ferry operation and project is eligible. These funds are available to eligible entities for three fiscal years following the fiscal year in which the funds were initially made available for allocation. FBP funds from FY 2019 that remain unobligated on September 30, 2022 will be withdrawn and redistributed in FY 2023 to eligible entities from which no funds were withdrawn.

FBP funds are subject to the annual August Redistribution of Obligation Limitation.

If there are any questions and for allocation of funds, please contact Katie Hulbert at 202-809-4758 or by e-mail at [Kathleen.hulbert@dot.gov](mailto:Kathleen.hulbert@dot.gov).

Attachment

**Attachment 1**  
**FY 2019 Ferry Boat Formula Fund Distribution**

<b>STATE</b>	<b>OPERATOR</b>	<b>ELIGIBLE</b>	<b>FY 2019 STATE ALLOCATION</b>
AK	Alaska Marine Highway System	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$16,316,036.00
AK	Ketchikan Gateway Borough	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$176,439.00
AK	Inter-Island Ferry Authority	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$156,933.00
	<b>ALASKA Total</b>		<b>\$16,649,408.00</b>
AL	Alabama DOT	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$146,766.00
	<b>ALABAMA Total</b>		<b>\$146,766.00</b>
AR	Arkansas Department of Transportation (ArDOT)	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$100,000.00
	<b>ARKANSAS Total</b>		<b>\$100,000.00</b>
CA	Chemehuevi Indian Tribe	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$91,011.00
CA	Catalina Express	Publicly owned Terminal only	\$481,713.00
CA	The Catalina Flyer	Publicly owned Terminal only	\$115,054.00
CA	Golden Gate Bridge Highway and Transportation District	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$644,731.00
CA	Blue and Gold Fleet	Publicly owned Terminal only	\$214,054.00
CA	CALTRANS	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$246,619.00
CA	San Francisco Bay Area Water Emergency Transportation Authority (WETA)	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$907,042.00
CA	Long Beach Transit	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$28,634.00
CA	Island Packers Corp.	Publicly owned Terminal only	\$439,369.00
CA	Jersey Island Ferry	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$9,812.00
CA	Humboldt County Public Works	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$1,589.00
	<b>CALIFORNIA Total</b>		<b>\$3,179,628.00</b>
CT	Connecticut DOT Bureau of Public Transportation	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$76,836.00
CT	The Town of Greenwich CT	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$23,286.00
	<b>CONNECTICUT Total</b>		<b>\$100,122.00</b>
DE	Delaware DOT	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$100,000.00
	<b>DELAWARE Total</b>		<b>\$100,000.00</b>

FL	Hontoon Island State Park	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$1,263.00
FL	St. Johns River Ferry - (HMS Ferries, Inc.)	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$342,797.00
FL	Putnam County Public Works	Publicly owned Terminal only	\$5,387.00
FL	Caladesi Island Adventure	Publicly owned Terminal only	\$23,001.00
FL	National Park Service (Fort Matanzas)	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$29,705.00
	<b>FLORIDA Total</b>		<b>\$402,153.00</b>
GA	State of Georgia, Department of Natural Resources	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$27,661.00
GA	Savannah Belles Ferry	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$169,162.00
GA	Lang Seafood (for Cumberland National Seashore)	Publicly owned Terminal only	\$40,506.00
	<b>GEORGIA Total</b>		<b>\$237,329.00</b>
HI	Expeditions	Publicly owned Terminal only	\$100,000.00
	<b>HAWAII Total</b>		<b>\$100,000.00</b>
IL	Calhoun Ferry Company	Publicly owned Terminal only	\$165,499.00
IL	Rock Island County Metropolitan Mass Transit District	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$19,306.00
IL	Illinois Department of Transportation	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$900,268.00
IL	City of Grafton	Publicly owned Terminal only	\$23,385.00
	<b>ILLINOIS Total</b>		<b>\$1,108,458.00</b>
KY	Butler County Fiscal Court	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$39,553.00
KY	Valley View Ferry Authority	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$163,351.00
KY	U.S. DOI - Mammoth Cave National Park	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$116,020.00
KY	Augusta Ferry Authority	Publicly owned Terminal only	\$47,435.00
KY	Kentucky Transportation Cabinet - Cumberland River Ferry	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$83,987.00
	<b>KENTUCKY Total</b>		<b>\$450,346.00</b>
LA	Plaquemines Parish Ferry Department	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$1,881,899.00
LA	St. Mary Parish Council	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$11,521.00
LA	The LA DOTD Headquarters Building	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$1,302,235.00
	<b>LOUISIANA Total</b>		<b>\$3,195,655.00</b>
MA	Boston Harbor Cruises LLC	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$325,008.00
MA	Woods Hole Martha's Vineyard and Nantucket Steamship Authority	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$1,397,852.00
	<b>MASSACHUSETTS Total</b>		<b>\$1,722,860.00</b>

MD	Wicomico County - Road Division	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$351,839.00
	<b>MARYLAND Total</b>		<b>\$351,839.00</b>
ME	Casco Bay Island Transit District	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$341,555.00
ME	State of Maine	Publicly owned Terminal only	\$458,213.00
ME	Town of Frye Island Ferry Service	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$65,314.00
	<b>MAINE Total</b>		<b>\$865,082.00</b>
MI	Charlevoix County Transportation Authority	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$72,802.00
MI	Eastern U.P. Transportation Authority	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$629,437.00
MI	The Isle Royale Line	Publicly owned Terminal only	\$123,253.00
MI	Isle Royale National Park	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$453,353.00
MI	Beaver Island Transportation Authority	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$91,280.00
MI	Plaunt Transportation Company Inc.	Publicly owned Terminal only	\$31,347.00
	<b>MICHIGAN Total</b>		<b>\$1,401,472.00</b>
MN	Grand Portage-Isle Royale Transportation Line, Inc.	Publicly owned Terminal only	\$1,272,350.00
	<b>MINNESOTA Total</b>		<b>\$1,272,350.00</b>
MO	National Park Service - Akers Ferry *See Note 1	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$6,000.00
MO	Ste. Genevieve - Modoc Ferry Inc. *See Note 1	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$46,000.00
MO	Mississippi County Port Authority *See Note 1	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$48,000.00
	<b>MISSOURI Total</b>		<b>\$100,000.00</b>
MS	Ship Island Excursions *See Note 1	Publicly owned Terminal only	\$96,000.00
MS	Warren County Board of Supervisors *See Note 1	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$4,000.00
	<b>MISSISSIPPI Total</b>		<b>\$100,000.00</b>
MT	Chouteau County *See Note 1	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$56,000.00
MT	Blaine County Road Department *See Note 1	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$44,000.00
	<b>MONTANA Total</b>		<b>\$100,000.00</b>
NC	Cape Lookout Cabins and Camps Ferry Service	Publicly owned Terminal only	\$11,784.00
NC	N.C. Department of Transportation Ferry Division	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$1,476,669.00
	<b>NORTH CAROLINA Total</b>		<b>\$1,488,453.00</b>
NJ	Cape May - Lewes Ferry	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$471,520.00

NJ	New York Waterway	Publicly owned Terminal only	\$1,000,181.00
NJ	Statue Cruises	Publicly owned Terminal only	\$2,888,513.00
	<b>NEW JERSEY Total</b>		<b>\$4,360,214.00</b>
NY	New York City DOT Ferry Division	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$5,006,695.00
NY	Fire Island Ferries Inc.	Publicly owned Terminals only	\$164,756.00
NY	South Ferry Inc.	Publicly owned Terminals only	\$963,544.00
NY	Fishers Island Ferry District	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$24,279.00
NY	North Ferry Company Inc	Publicly owned Terminals only	\$1,046,762.00
NY	Governor's Island Preservation & Education Corp.	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$186,044.00
NY	Empire State Development, Erie Canal Harbor Devel. Corp. (ECHPC)	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$12,322.00
	<b>NEW YORK Total</b>		<b>\$7,404,402.00</b>
OH	Put-in-Bay Boatline Co.	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$207,546.00
	<b>OHIO Total</b>		<b>\$207,546.00</b>
OK	Central Oklahoma Transportation and Parking Authority	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$100,000.00
	<b>OKLAHOMA Total</b>		<b>\$100,000.00</b>
OR	Clackamas County Department of Transportation and Development	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$63,750.00
OR	Marion County Department of Public Works	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$550,754.00
	<b>OREGON Total</b>		<b>\$614,504.00</b>
PR	Puerto Rico Maritime Transport Authority	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$301,187.00
	<b>PUERTO RICO Total</b>		<b>\$301,187.00</b>
RI	Conanicut Marine Services, Inc.	Publicly owned Terminal only	\$10,294.00
RI	A & R Marine Corporation, DBA Prudence & Bay Islands Transport	Publicly owned Terminal only	\$52,728.00
RI	The Block Island Ferry (Interstate Navigation)	Publicly owned Terminal only	\$261,910.00
RI	The Rhode Island Department of Transportation (RI Providence to Newport Ferry)	Publicly owned Terminal only	\$71,600.00
	<b>RHODE ISLAND Total</b>		<b>\$396,532.00</b>
SC	Fort Sumter Tours/Spiritline Cruises (NPS Concessionaire)	Publicly owned Terminal only	\$100,000.00
	<b>SOUTH CAROLINA Total</b>		<b>\$100,000.00</b>
TN	Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT)	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$100,000.00
	<b>TENNESSEE Total</b>		<b>\$100,000.00</b>

TX	Harris County	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$989,402.00
TX	Texas Department of Transportation	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$5,389,618.00
	<b>TEXAS Total</b>		<b>\$6,379,020.00</b>
UT	UDOT Charles Hall Ferry	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$100,000.00
	<b>UTAH Total</b>		<b>\$100,000.00</b>
VA	Transportation District Commission of Hampton Roads	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$59,838.00
VA	Virginia Department of Transportation	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$1,452,978.00
	<b>VIRGINIA Total</b>		<b>\$1,512,816.00</b>
WA	Colville Confederated Tribes (Inchelium-Gifford Ferry)	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$123,977.00
WA	Pierce County Public Works	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$192,408.00
WA	Skagit County Department of Public Works	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$262,277.00
WA	Whatcom County Public Works Department	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$299,084.00
WA	Kitsap Transit	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$108,743.00
WA	Wahkiakum County	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$65,333.00
WA	Washington State Ferries	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$15,763,558.00
WA	King County Department of Transportation, Marine Division	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$144,082.00
	<b>WASHINGTON Total</b>		<b>\$16,959,462.00</b>
WI	Wisconsin Department of Transportation, SW Region	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$359,064.00
WI	Cassville Car Ferry/ Cassville Tourism	Publicly owned Terminal & Vessels	\$13,332.00
	<b>WISCONSIN Total</b>		<b>\$372,396.00</b>
	<b>Grand Total</b>		<b>\$72,080,000.00</b>

Note 1 The State DOT will coordinate the distribution of funds for eligible projects with the operators listed.

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