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To: Ken Reecy; Steve Auger
Subject: small/medium county RFA

Ken,

Congratulations on joining the FHFC team. You are a member of a great group.

I was reviewing the draft small/medium county RFA. I have a concern regarding the proximity criteria. I live in a medium county and am helping a homeless coalition in a small county. To the best of my knowledge, neither has a department of government which establishes and approves bus routes. We have been speaking with the county commission trying to develop a specific recommendation, but we haven't identified which department pertains to public transportation, nor does any of their staff know.

In both instances, the public transportation is operated by a nonprofit organization. They have routine routes, etc. But apparently no governmental oversight. I also do not know if they have the level of frequency you are requiring to meet the definition.

Also, with regards to the proximity scoring, for rural counties you are lucky to have many of these items in the county at all, let alone within 2 miles. For small counties I would encourage you to expand the distances in which projects can receive points for community amenities.

I apologize for sending these comments so late. I was trying to gather information to provide a specific recommendation, but realize time is running out to bring the matter to your attention.

Please feel free to give me a call to discuss further.

Thank you,

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