



THIRD QUARTER SFY 2026 PROJECT PLANNING REVIEW (PPR)

Planning and Programming Committee

January 30, 2026

ACTION REQUESTED

Recommend this item to the Executive Committee for its consideration of placement on the March 2026 Board of Directors agenda:

- **Third Quarter SFY 2026 Project Planning Review (PPR)**

PREVIOUS ACTION

Recommended by the Transportation Subcommittee

BACKGROUND

The purpose of Project Planning Review:

- To assess if a proposed project helps to achieve NOACA vision and goals; and
- To ensure that proposed project is consistent with NOACA planning requirements and oversight agency requirements

Review of proposed projects involves:

- Staff review and comment
- NOACA committee, subcommittee & advisory council review
- Intergovernmental Review and Consultation (IGRC)
Circulated to communities & agencies
- Public involvement
Posted on website for public review & comment

BACKGROUND

Actions

1. Project review completed
2. Recommendations to be considered by the project sponsor to best achieve planning requirements
3. Conditions of approval to be met prior to amendment to LRP and/or TIP

Proposed Projects



Target Needs

Project Planning Review



Evaluate Needs

LRP



Plan Needs

TIP



Commit Resources



Implement

BACKGROUND

- Project not requesting NOACA funds

Project Type	Project Sponsor	Project Name and Location	Primary Work Type	Total Cost
Transit	Laketran	<p>LAK OWMP Improve Cross County Transportation Laketrans will add vehicles to its fleet, increasing capacity for longer cross-county trips and supporting the expanded joint service. These vehicles will improve operational efficiency and help meet growing demand for workforce transportation, linking communities to manufacturing hubs, training centers, and essential services in Lake and Geauga counties.</p> <p>Laketran and Geauga Transit have been awarded funding to launch a three-year cross-county workforce mobility initiative. This project will expand demand-responsive transportation for work, training, education, and healthcare, removing barriers and connecting residents to major job centers and opportunities across both counties.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Add two propane-powered LTVs to fleet • Implement 3-year cross-county workforce mobility initiative 	\$2.9 M (ODOT & local)

FINANCIAL IMPACTS

- There is no financial impact
- Action does not approve proposed funding or implementation schedule of the project

NEXT STEPS

- Staff will forward any comments from this Committee to the project sponsor
- Pending the Planning & Programming Committee's recommendation, the project will be presented to the following for additional review and comment:
 - Executive Committee
- Pending Board approval, the project sponsor will be notified that their project has completed PPR
- NOACA staff will work with the project sponsor to address any planning issues identified during PPR

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**Motion
Second
Discussion
Put the Question**





NOACA

Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency

NOACA will **strengthen** regional cohesion, **preserve** existing infrastructure, and **build** a sustainable multimodal transportation system to **support** economic development and **enhance** quality of life in Northeast Ohio.