

AGENDA

PUBLIC HEARING

March 26, 2019

3:30 P.M.

Town of Normal Council Chambers 11 Uptown Circle Normal, Illinois 61761

- A. Call to Order
- B. Roll Call
- C. General Manager Comments
- D. Public Hearing on Proposed Fare Increase and Routes
- E. Public Comments
- F. Adjournment (Annual Meeting immediately follows)

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AGENDA

Annual Meeting of the Connect Transit Board of Trustees

March 26, 2019

Town of Normal Council Board Room Uptown Station 11 Uptown Circle, Normal, IL 61761

- A. Call to Order
- B. Roll Call
- C. Receive nominations for the following officers:

Chairman

Vice-Chairman

Secretary

- D. Close nominations
- E. Election of Officers
- F. Adjournment of Annual Meeting (Regular Meeting immediately follows)

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Meeting of the Connect Transit Board of Trustees

March 26, 2019

3:30 P.M.

Town of Normal Council Board Room Uptown Station 11 Uptown Circle, Normal, IL 61761

- A. Call to Order
- B. Roll Call
- C. Public Comments
- D. Consent Agenda
 - 1. Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting of February 26, 2019
 - 2. Disbursements for the month February 2019
 - 3. Financial Report for month of February 2019
 - 4. Capital and Self Insurance Reserve Fund Balances for month of February 2019
 - 5. Monthly Statistical Report for month of February 2019
- E. Old Business None
- F. New Business
 - 1. Recommendation of Fixed Route and Connect Mobility Fare Structure FY2020-FY2023
 - 2. Recommendation of Fixed Route Changes
 - 3. Recommendation of Vice-Chairman Ryan Whitehouse Travel Expenses (Roll Call Vote)
 - 4. Recommendation of Cash Farm Lease
- G. General Manager's Report
 - 1. Update on Connect Transit Audit Policy
- H. Trustee's Comments
- I. Adjournment



February 2019 Financial and Statistical Reports



Name	Check Number	Date	Amount	Description
A&RMechanical Contractors, Inc	00040864	15-Feb-19	\$321.00	HVAC
A&RMechanical Contractors, Inc	00040894	22-Feb-19	\$1,588.57	HVAC and Building Maintenace
A.T.U CO.P.E	00040865	15-Feb-19	\$140.90	Payroll Deduction
ABC Bus Companies	00040785	01-Feb-19	\$1,424.55	Bus Parts
ABC Bus Companies	00040895	22-Feb-19	\$4,143.87	Bus Parts
Advance Auto Parts	00040786	01-Feb-19	\$29.37	Maintenance Supplies
Advance Auto Parts	00040839	08-Feb-19	\$136.91	Maintenance Supplies
Advance Auto Parts	00040896	22-Feb-19	\$652.39	Maintenance Supplies
Airgas USA, LLC	00040787	01-Feb-19	\$238.81	Welding Supplies
Ally Financial	00040840	08-Feb-19	\$196.08	Lease
Amalgamated Transit Union Local 752	00040866	15-Feb-19	\$6,337.20	Payroll Deduction
Amazon Capital Service	00040788	01-Feb-19	\$394.99	Bus Parts and General Building Supplies
Amazon Capital Service	00040841	08-Feb-19	\$1,145.09	Garage Maintenance Equip. and Office Supplies
Amazon Capital Service	00040867	15-Feb-19	\$78.76	Office Supplies
Amazon Capital Service	00040897	22-Feb-19	\$330.68	Building Maintenance and Office Supplies
American Solutions for Business	00040842	08-Feb-19	\$265.00	Office Supplies
Assurance Agency, Ltd.	00040789	01-Feb-19	\$19,267.00	Insurance
Assurance Agency, Ltd.	00040868	15-Feb-19	\$19,267.00	Insurance
Avail Technologies	00040898	22-Feb-19	\$1,405.00	Software & Tech Support
Barker Motor Co.	00040869	15-Feb-19	\$60.00	Bus Parts
Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Illinois	00040829	01-Feb-19	\$114,387.02	Insurance
Brink's Incorporated	00040790	01-Feb-19	\$163.80	Consulting
Prink's Incorporated	00040899	22-Feb-19	\$159.38	Consulting
Cardinal Infrastructure	00040830	01-Feb-19	\$6,000.00	Consulting
Cardinal Infrastructure	00040900	22-Feb-19	\$6,000.00	Consulting
Cassie Mosier	00040843	08-Feb-19	\$42.45	Reimbursement
Dentral Illinois Flying Aces	00040870	15-Feb-19	\$1,050.00	
Dentral Illinois Trucks Inc.	00040791	01-Feb-19	\$93.95	Advertising- Promotions Bus Parts
Dentral Illinois Trucks Inc.	00040844	08-Feb-19	\$3,501.68	Bus Parts
Dentral Illinois Trucks Inc.	00040871	15-Feb-19	\$2,713.42	Bus Parts
Dentral Illinois Trucks Inc.	00040901	22-Feb-19	\$1,357.55	Bus Parts
Dentral States Bus Sales, Inc	00040902	22-Feb-19	\$344.33	Bus Parts
CHEMSEARCH H2O SOLUTIONS	00040792	01-Feb-19	\$675.00	Water Treatment
hildren's Home & Aid	00040793	01-Feb-19	\$672.00	Refund of Incorrect Payment
DRBN, LLC	00040794	01-Feb-19	\$347.84	Internet
DRBN, LLC	00040903	22-Feb-19	\$347.84	Internet
Ity of Bloomington	00040845	08-Feb-19	\$910.12	Utilities
Ity of Bloomington	00040904	22-Feb-19		Utilities
Dark Baird Smith, LLP	00040795		\$119.07	
M Promotions	00040795	01-Feb-19	\$1,340.00	Legal Service
Dorn Belt Energy Corp.		01-Feb-19	\$2,803.29	Advertising- Promotions
om Belt Energy Corp.	00040796	01-Feb-19	\$4,237.44	Utilites
ornerstone Government Affairs	00040905	22-Feb-19	\$4,327.87	Utilites
	00040872	15-Feb-19	\$3,333.33	Consulting
Limmins Crosspoint	00040906	22-Feb-19	\$574.12	Bus Parts
Limulus Media	00040907	22-Feb-19	\$750.00	Radio Advertising
Nane Vukovich	00040797	01-Feb-19	\$130.50	Uniform Reimbursement
Dish Network	00040798	01-Feb-19	\$97.02	Television Service
on Owen Tire Service, Inc.	00040799	01-Feb-19	\$16.27	Bus Parts
on Owen Tire Service, Inc.	00040832	01-Feb-19	\$18.27	Bus Parts
Oon Owen Tire Service, Inc.	00040846	08-Feb-19	\$18.27	Bus Parts



Name	Check Number	Date	Amount	Description
Ecolane USA, Inc.	00040800	01-Feb-19	\$3,750.00	Software Licensing
Ecolane USA, Inc.	00040908	22-Feb-19	\$19,995.00	Software Licensing
Economic Development Council	00040847	08-Feb-19	\$3,200.00	Travel & Meetings and Trustees Expense
Evergreen FS	00040801	01-Feb-19	\$16,787.69	Fuel
Evergreen FS	00040848	08-Feb-19	\$479.51	Fuel
Evergreen FS	00040874	15-Feb-19	\$17,671.94	Fuel
Evergreen FS	00040909	22-Feb-19	\$34,934.94	Fuel
Fastenal Company	00040802	01-Feb-19	\$162.65	Bus Parts
Fastenal Company	00040849	08-Feb-19	\$2.88	Bus Parts
Fastenal Company	00040875	15-Feb-19	\$25.58	Bus Parts
Fasteners Etc.	00040850	08-Feb-19	\$288.34	Maintenance Supplies
Fasteners Etc.	00040910	22-Feb-19	\$222.44	Maintenance Supplies
Frontier	00040876	15-Feb-19	\$56.06	Telephone
Frontier	00040911	22-Feb-19	\$962.34	Telephone
GIIIg LLC	00040803	01-Feb-19	\$1,454.56	Bus Parts
Gillig LLC	00040851	08-Feb-19	\$784.20	Bus Parts
GIlig LLC	00040912	22-Feb-19	\$514.32	Bus Parts
Global Equipment Company	00040804	01-Feb-19	\$230.41	Garage Supplies
Global Equipment Company	00040833	01-Feb-19	\$399.95	Garage Supplies
Gobal Equipment Company	00040852	08-Feb-19	\$182.12	Garage Supplies
Great Plains Media	00040913	22-Feb-19	\$1,400.00	Radio Advertising
Hotsy Equipment Company	00040805	01-Feb-19	\$175.00	Maintenance Equipment
ICMA 457 Retirement Trust	ACH	14-Feb-19	\$34,270.15	Payroll Deduction
ICMA 457 Retirement Trust	ACH	28-Feb-19	\$36,719.83	Payroll Deduction
Illinois Department of Revenue	00040806	01-Feb-19	\$12,125.25	Payroll Deduction
Illinois Department of Revenue	00040877	15-Feb-19	\$12,039.48	Payroll Deduction
Illinois Department of Revenue	00040807	01-Feb-19	\$368.24	Payroll Deduction
Illinois Department of Revenue	00040878	15-Feb-19	\$368.24	Payroll Deduction
Illinois State Disbursement Unit	00040808	01-Feb-19	\$1,054.33	Payroll Deduction
Illinois State Disbursement Unit	00040879	15-Feb-19	\$1,054.33	Payroll Deduction
Interstate Batteries of Mid-Illinois	00040853	08-Feb-19	\$1,409.70	Bus Parts
Interstate Batteries of Mid-Illinois	00040880	15-Feb-19	\$57.94	Shop Tools
IWN	00040834	01-Feb-19	\$96.00	Employee Physicals
Jesse Baxter	00040881	15-Feb-19	\$405.00	Software Licensing
KEITH Engineering Design	00040854	08-Feb-19	\$20,280.00	Capital Building and Improvements
Ken's Oil Service, Inc	00040809	01-Feb-19	\$1,876.41	Oil, Antifreeze
Ken's Oil Service, Inc	00040855	08-Feb-19	\$712.52	Oil, Antifreeze
Ken's Oil Service, Inc	00040882	15-Feb-19	\$427.01	Oil, Antifreeze
Ken's Oil Service, Inc	00040914	22-Feb-19	\$170.45	Oil, Antifreeze
Kirby Risk Corporation	00040915	22-Feb-19	\$10.97	Bus Parts
LKM Mowing & Landscaping	00040916	22-Feb-19	\$11,306.00	Snow Removal
McLean County Chamber of Commerce	00040810	01-Feb-19	\$1,250.00	Travel & Meetings
McLean County Chamber of Commerce	00040917	22-Feb-19	\$997.00	Dues & Subscriptions
Michelin North America, Inc	00040883	15-Feb-19	\$6,023.34	Tires
Miller Janitor Supply	00040811	01-Feb-19	\$114.32	Maintenance Supplies
Miller Janitor Supply	00040856	08-Feb-19	\$98.20	Maintenance Supplies
Minerva Promotions	00040812	01-Feb-19	\$363.00	Uniforms
Morris Avenue Garage	00040813	01-Feb-19	\$175.00	Vehicle Inspection
Morris Avenue Garage	00040918	22-Feb-19	\$250.00	Vehicle Inspection
Motion Industries, Inc.	00040814	01-Feb-19	\$58.94	Bus Parts
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Mutual of Omaha	00040835	01-Feb-19	\$14,832.30	Life, AD&D, STD & LTD
Mutual Wheel	00040919	22-Feb-19	\$25.52	Bus Parts
Neuhoff Media	00040815	01-Feb-19	\$1,260.00	Advertising- Media
Neuhoff Media	00040884	15-Feb-19	\$1,326.00	Advertising- Media
Nord Outdoor Power	00040920	22-Feb-19	\$1,049.00	Garage Equipment
Oberlander Alarm Systems, Inc.	00040836	01-Feb-19	\$208.00	Security Alarm Service Fee
Occupational Health Centralized Billing	00040816	01-Feb-19	\$226.50	- 2 22
Occupational Health Centralized Billing	00040885	15-Feb-19		Drug Testing
Orkin Pest Control			\$211.50	Drug Testing
*	00040817	01-Feb-19	\$560.80	Pest Control
Orkin Pest Control	00040857	08-Feb-19	\$560.80	Pest Control
Payroll	ACH	14-Feb-19	\$187,680.92	
Payroll	ACH	28-Feb-19	\$197,346.22	
Personal Finance Company LLC	00040886	15-Feb-19	\$268.41	Payroll Deduction
Piercy Auto Body	00040887	15-Feb-19	\$2,528.50	Outside Repair
Pinnade Door	00040819	01-Feb-19	\$2,335.00	Door Repair
Pinnade Door	00040837	01-Feb-19	\$403.80	Door Repair
Pinnade Door	00040921	22-Feb-19	\$342.40	Door Repair
Prairie Sgns	00040888	15-Feb-19	\$427.70	Advertising- Promotions
Prairie Sgns	00040922	22-Feb-19	\$212.94	Advertising- Promotions
Redbird Sports Properties, LLC	00040820	01-Feb-19	\$1,050.00	Advertising- Promotions
Remix Software	00040821	01-Feb-19	\$16,500.00	Software & Tech Support
Ross & White Co.	00040923	22-Feb-19	\$111.11	Bus Washer
Safety-Kleen Systems, Inc	00040858	08-Feb-19	\$267.87	Bus Washer
Social Security Administration	00040889	15-Feb-19	\$60.00	Payroll Deduction
The Aftermarket Parts Company LLC	00040822	01-Feb-19	\$2,015.77	Bus Parts
The Aftermarket Parts Company LLC	00040859	08-Feb-19	\$5,697.80	Bus Parts
The Aftermarket Parts Company LLC	00040890	15-Feb-19	\$451.08	Bus Parts
The Aftermarket Parts Company LLC	00040924	22-Feb-19	\$189.37	Bus Parts
The Pantagraph	00040925	22-Feb-19	\$395.00	Public Notices
Tonto Apache d/b/a Comet Loans	00040891	15-Feb-19	\$325.13	Payroll Deduction
Town of Normal	00040860	08-Feb-19	\$381.80	Utilites
TransitTalent.com	00040823	01-Feb-19	\$115.00	Advertising- Promotions
Uline	00040824	01-Feb-19	\$233.75	Office Supplies
UniFirst Corporation	00040825	01-Feb-19	\$240.11	Geaning Uniforms & Rugs
UniFirst Corporation	00040861	08-Feb-19	\$563.08	Geaning Uniforms & Rugs
UniFirst Corporation	00040892	15-Feb-19	\$230.10	Geaning Uniforms & Rugs
United Parcel Service	00040826	01-Feb-19	\$16.93	Shipping
United Parcel Service	00040893	15-Feb-19	\$14.58	Shipping
United Parcel Service	00040926	22-Feb-19	\$19.51	Shipping
United States Treasury	ACH	05-Feb-19	\$66,205.93	Federal Tax
United States Treasury	ACH	20-Feb-19	\$66,725.62	Federal Tax
Verizon Wireless	00040862	08-Feb-19	\$511.37	Mobile Data Terminals for SS
Visa - Commerce Bank	00040828	01-Feb-19	\$3,395.71	Equipment, Tools & Other
Visa - Commerce Bank	00040828	01-Feb-19	\$68.66	Garage Maintenance Equipt.
Visa - Commerce Bank	00040828	01-Feb-19	\$131.79	Building Maintenance
Visa - Commerce Bank	00040828	01-Feb-19	\$50.00	Advertising- Employment
Visa - Commerce Bank	00040828	01-Feb-19	\$600.00	Freight
Visa - Commerce Bank	00040828	01-Feb-19	\$319.96	Software Licensing
Visa - Commerce Bank	00040828	01-Feb-19	\$1,950.00	Travel & Meetings
Visa - Commerce Bank	00040828	01-Feb-19	\$356.93	Employee Recognition
Visa - Commerce Bank	00040828	01-Feb-19	\$81.78	Advertising- Promotions



Name	Check Number	Date	Amount	Description
Vision Service Plan (IL)	00040838	01-Feb-19	\$968.88	Vision Insurance
Watts Copy Systems, Inc	00040863	08-Feb-19	\$719.35	Lease
WGLT	00040827	01-Feb-19	\$600.00	Radio Advertising
	Grand Total		\$1 045 305 68	

Bloomington Normal Public Transit Balance Sheet

	Division: 99 Board Reports	As of: 2/28/2019
Fiscal Year: 2019 Period: 8 Feb-2019		
Assets		
Current Assets		
Checking and Savings	\$7,362,559.88	
Accounts Receivable	\$83,946.13	
nventory Asset - Fuel	\$46,411.90	
Inventory Asset - Parts	\$147,614.32	
nventory Asset - Tires	\$0.00	
Other Current Assets	\$335,364.77	
Total Current Assets	\$7,975,897.00	
Fixed Assets	\$21,763,907.12	
Total Assets	\$29,739,804.12	
iabilites & Equity		
Liabilities	V.	
Accounts Payable	\$471,275.07	*
Payroll Liabilities	\$1,042,679.30	
Contracts	\$0.00	
Due to Illinois Funds Account	\$0.00	
Deferred Revenue	\$144,413.79	
Deficit Funding Advance	\$0.00	
Total Liabilities	\$1,658,368.16	
QUITY		
Fixed Asset Equity	\$12,483,532.77	
Inreserved Fund Equity	\$6,750,412.62	
Inderground Petroleum Storage	\$20,000.00	
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otal Equity	\$19,253,945.39	
Retained Earnings	\$8,827,490.57	
otal Liabilities & Equity	\$29,739,804.12	

Income Statement With Approved Budget **Bloomington Normal Public Transit**

From Fiscal Year: 2019 From Period 8	Division: 98 Operating Profit/Loss		As of: 2/28/2019	6
Thru Fiscal Year: 2019 Thru Period 8		Jul-2018		
	Feb-2019	Feb-2019		Approved Budget
Operating Revenue				
Passenger Fares	\$48,916.40 7.48%	% \$451,804.32	.2 69.08%	\$654,000.00
ISU Contract Fare	\$45,416.66 8.33%		8 66.67%	\$545,000,00
Other Contract Fares	\$10,433.87 5.49%			\$190,000.00
Advertising Revenue	\$6,863.21 3.98%		7 38.89%	\$172,500.00
Miscellaneous Revenue	\$4,155.30 118.72%		4	\$3,500.00
Total Operating Revenue	\$115,785.44 7.40%	\$973,519.21	1 62.21%	\$1.565.000.00
Operating Expenses				
Operators Wages	\$470,076.10 8.53%	\$3,761,859.06	6 68.25%	\$5,512,000.00
Maintenance Wages	\$86,042.10 7.22%	% \$704,119.37	7 59.12%	\$1,191,000.00
Administration Wages	\$72,894.87 7.12%		0 52.79%	\$1,024,000.00
Employer Payroll Tax Expense	\$54,964.95 8.68%	% \$398,457.75	5 62.95%	\$633,000.00
Retirement Plan	\$23,860.40 6.48%	\$199,034.66	6 54.09%	\$368,000.00
Group Insurance	\$122,360.27 7.38%	\$931,783.94	4 56.23%	\$1,657,000.00
Uniform Expense	\$1,583.35 4.40%	% \$17,818.16	6 49.49%	\$36,000.00
Professional Services	\$10,978.33 3.38%	% \$181,505.56	6 55.85%	\$325,000.00
Outside Repair-Labor	\$6,146.11 5.49%	\$39,707.26	6 35.45%	\$112,000.00
Contract Maintenance Services	\$24,681.10 21.09%	% \$79,458.33	3 67.91%	\$117,000.00
Custodial Services	\$710.35 4.44%	% \$8,469.35	5 52.93%	\$16,000.00
Employee Recruiting/Testing/Temp Help		% \$6,377.63	3 53.15%	\$12,000.00
Fuel		% \$502,076.84	4 55.97%	\$897,000.00
Lubricants		% \$17,369.28	8 39.48%	\$44,000.00
Tires	1121	% \$51,188.49	9 56.25%	\$91,000.00
Bus Repair Parts	\$15,659.51 8.03%	% \$136,405.44	4 69.95%	\$195,000.00
Other Materials & Supplies	\$3,408.48 5.98%	% \$23,933.21	1 41.99%	\$57,000.00
Shelters/Signs/Shop Tools		% \$6,482.19	9 64.82%	\$10,000.00
Computer and Office Supplies		% \$182,176.22	2 114.58%	\$159,000.00
Utilities	_	% \$74,954.91	1 53.92%	. \$139,000.00
Corporate Insurance		€9	3 89.45%	\$268,000.00
Dues/Subscriptions/Fees		% \$39,208.38	8 78.42%	\$50,000.00
Printing/Marketing/Training	\$8,366.70	\$125,047.44	46.66%	\$268,000.00
Total Operating Expenses	\$1,025,579.65 7.78%	88,267,710.40	0 62.72%	\$13,181,000.00
Operating Assistance				
City of Bloomington Operating Assistance	_	⊕)		(\$11,616,000.00)
The second operating Assistance				\$610,000.00
I own of Normal Operating Assitance				\$390,000.00
Illinois Downstate Operating Assistance			0 62.76%	\$8,482,000.00
FTA 5307 Operating Assistance	\$154,449.00 7.71%	% \$1,203,920.00	0 60.14%	\$2,002,000.00
Total Operating Assistance	\$898,342.33 7.82%	% \$7,193,635.64	4 62.64%	\$11,484,000.00
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Connect Transit Local Capital and Self-Insurance Fund Balance February 2019

Local Capital	Commerce Bank - Cash Balance	
02/01/19	Beginning Balance	\$ 1,064,589.72
02/28/19	Additions - Interest Income	\$ 122.50
02/28/19	Ending Balance	\$ 1,064,712.22

Total Reserve Capital Account \$ 1,064,712.22

Breakdown of Local Funding in Local Capital #2 (Earmarked Funds):

	<u>F)</u>	19 Received	FY1	9 Receivable	
		2/28/2019	<u>2/28/2019</u>		
Bloomington	\$	348,541.62	\$	49,791.66	
Normal	\$	324,380.00			
Total YTD	\$	672,921.62	\$	49,791.66	

Local Capital Reserve F	und Balance - Account Value	
02/28/19	Cash Balance	\$ 1,064,712.22
02/28/19	Loans to Operating	\$ 2.980.249.22
02/28/19	Reserve fund for underground storage tank (Cap. I)	\$ (40,000.00)
02/28/19	Ending Balance	4,004,961.44

Federal Update for Connect Transit

Prepared by Cardinal Infrastructure March 26, 2019 Board Meeting

President's 2020 Budget Request

The President's Fiscal Year (FY) 2020 Budget Request to Congress, "A Budget for a Better America: Promises Kept. Taxpayers First," was released on March 11th. The budget document is a list of the Administration's priorities and does not become law.

The U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) budget request is for \$21.4 billion in discretionary budget authority for 2020, a \$5.9 billion or 22% decrease from the 2019 discretionary estimate. The FY19 budget estimate is based on the FY18 continuing resolution because the budget request was prepared before the final spending bill was signed.

The Budget request provides the following:

- Fully funds Highway Trust Fund-supported programs at levels consistent with the fifth and final year of the FAST Act.
- \$250 million "plus-up" above FAST Act levels of the Bus and Bus Facility competitive grant program.
- \$1 billion to the Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development (BUILD) competitive grant program.
- \$2 billion to the Infrastructure for Rebuilding America (INFRA) competitive grant program.
- \$1.5 billion for the Capital Investment Grant (CIG) program, which includes \$500 million in funding for new projects.
- The Budget also provides a fact-sheet on infrastructure, outlining the Administration's plan to provide \$200 billion over ten years to meet the President's goal of generating at least \$1.5 trillion in total infrastructure investment; which is largely similar to the proposal in FY18 Budget.

For context, last year the President requested \$15.6 billion in USDOT discretionary budget authority. He also requested the elimination of funding for BUILD discretionary grant program and the phase out of the CIG program by limiting funding to projects with existing full funding grant agreements only. As evidenced by the FY19 appropriations bill, Congress went in a different direction.

Low-No Grant Program

FTA released its notice of funding opportunity (NOFO) for \$85 million for the FY19 Low or No Emission Grant Program. Applications are due by 11:59 PM Eastern time on May 14, 2019.

There are a number of new elements to this year's NOFO. Specifically, in determining the allocation of program funds, FTA may consider:

- Projects located in or that support public transportation service in a qualified opportunity zone designated pursuant to 26 USC 1400Z-1; and
- Capping the amount a single applicant may receive; and
- Projects that have a higher local financial commitment may also be prioritized.

As stated in the NOFO: Beginning in FY 2020 FTA will no longer permit applicants to submit applications that include partnerships. Applicants in FY 2020 instead will be required to fulfill the competitive procurement requirement. Furthermore, the NOFO references Executive Order 13858, Strengthening Buy-American Preferences for Infrastructure Projects. Applicants are therefore requested to maximize the use of goods, products, and materials produced in the United States.

House Budget

House Budget Committee Chairman Yarmuth held the "Members' Day" hearing to share principles for the FY20 Budget Resolution. Yarmuth is expected to propose a two-year budget agreement to raise the non-defense and defense spending caps. His hope is to mark up a budget resolution during the first week of April. Senate Budget Committee Chairman Enzi intends to mark up a FY20 budget resolution during the last week of March to establish spending and revenue targets for the next five years, instead of the traditional 10-year forecast.

Earmarks

House Democrats don't plan to revive earmarks (directed spending typically for identified projects) during the upcoming FY20 appropriations process, though they expect to continue discussing the issue with their Republican colleagues. House Appropriations Chairwoman Nita Lowey (D-NY) wrote in a letter, "Unfortunately, there is currently not the necessary bipartisan, bicameral agreement to allow the Appropriations Committee to earmark." In the letter, Lowey communicated that bipartisan discussions about just how to bring back earmarks would continue during the 116th Congress.

In the Senate, Labor-HHS-Education Appropriations Subcommittee Chairman Roy Blunt (R-MO) said, "I think if the House would have changed their rule, we would have had to reconsider. But I think it's unlikely that the Senate takes the lead there."

Infrastructure

Senate Environment and Public Works Committee Chairman Barrasso said, with regards to an infrastructure bill in the Senate, "We're talking basically highway infrastructure, roads, bridges, highway. I met with the Chairman in the House as well and if we do a second infrastructure bill, some of the other things that he's been focused on, broadband and other buildings and construction we might get to. The first thing is highway infrastructure...and that's the focus right now."

Transportation and Infrastructure Committee Ranking Member Graves said, "We are moving forward with an infrastructure bill in the House. The Senate's idea is to just reauthorize a surface transportation bill which is due next year. Graves believes the House has to make a decision whether to do an infrastructure bill separate from FAST Act reauthorization.

Advanced Refunding

The Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017 repealed the exclusion of interest income earned on advance refunding bonds from federal income taxation. This change makes it more difficult for states and local governments to take advantage of a favorable interest rate environment through a refunding of existing bonds (similar to individuals refinancing their home mortgage) which had enabled them to reduce their borrowing costs and free up resources for new projects. A bill was recently introduced that restores the tax-exemption for advance refunding bonds so states and local governments can take advantage of favorable interest rates and more efficiently manage their financial obligations.

Highway Trust Fund

The House Ways and Means Committee, which has jurisdiction over tax issues, held a hearing on, "Our Nation's Crumbling Infrastructure and the Need for Immediate Action." Testifying on the first panel was Transportation and Infrastructure Chairman DeFazio (D-OR) and Ranking Member Graves (R-MO).

In DeFazio's opening remarks, he stated, "My Committee colleagues and I stand ready to direct investment to bring our highways, bridges, transit systems, rail lines, aviation system, and water infrastructure to a state of good repair..." He further remarked, "...we have to provide real revenue for our surface transportation network to shore up the Highway Trust Fund (HTF)."

Graves' agreed with DeFazio in his opening remarks, "The federal government has long played a leading role in infrastructure investment, and we need to continue that role and serve as a reliable partner to state and local governments." With respect to the HTF he said, "All options are on the table, and I'm open-minded to any potential solution." Though not outwardly endorsing an increase to the gas tax, he left the door open. His encouragement of looking into a Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) tax also came with the current challenges to pursuing such a system - privacy, data security, etc.

During the hearing, Ways and Means Ranking Member Brady (R-TX) criticized the "diversion" of HTF dollars to "non-highway uses," remarking, ""As we begin this work we should also recognize the challenges, among them the fact that our highway infrastructure program is too often a leaky bucket, with nearly 20 percent of funding diverted to non-highway uses" — which was a reference to the statutory allocation of funds to the Mass Transit Account.

White House Infrastructure Initiative

Cardinal Infrastructure participated in a briefing call and listening session on infrastructure with senior Administration officials hosted by the White House Office of Intergovernmental Affairs. The call provided an opportunity for state and local leaders to voice input on the Administration's upcoming infrastructure package.

Andrew Olmem, Deputy Adviser to the President and Deputy Director of the National Economic Council provided an overview of the Administration's efforts on infrastructure thus far, including:

- The President's "One Federal Decision" Executive Order to review and streamline federal permitting processes;
- The White House infrastructure proposal outline in last year's budget;
- Active bipartisan discussion with Congress on an infrastructure agreement; and
- Reauthorization of the Federal Aviation Administration.

Mr. Olmem outlined a few major infrastructure goals for the Administration in the months ahead:

- To use the upcoming surface transportation reauthorization to advance any major infrastructure reform efforts;
- To pursue additional permitting reforms;
- To identify and pursue innovative financial mechanisms to minimize municipal burdens for infrastructure projects and leverage federal dollars (meaning private sector participation in funding projects); and
- To advance large "bread and butter" projects, such as roads, bridges, and ports, as well as digital infrastructure, broadband projects, and 5G expansion.

State and local officials brought a host of concerns and preferences to the Administration's attention, during the conference call, including: green infrastructure and resiliency; improving the discretionary grant application process to enhance small cities' ability to access competitive funding; revenue solutions to address the solvency of the Highway Trust Fund and increase funding; and providing additional resources for infrastructure necessary for disaster mitigation and recovery.

Governors and Infrastructure

The White House held a session on infrastructure with governors in Washington, DC for the National Governors Association meeting. Attendees included USDOT Secretary Elaine Chao and Commerce Secretary Wilbur Ross. The discussion referenced priorities discussed in the President's initial infrastructure proposal provided in the Administration 2018 budget request; focusing on regulatory and permitting process changes, as well as leveraging existing federal funds with increased state and local investments. The session also emphasized the "self-help" option the Heritage Foundation and the Administration have emphasized.

The readout from the session stated: Governors and Administration officials discussed the inefficiencies in the current Federal regulatory and permitting process that delays new infrastructure projects across the country, how Federal funds can best be used to increase State and Local infrastructure investments, and how States have addressed their own infrastructure backlogs.

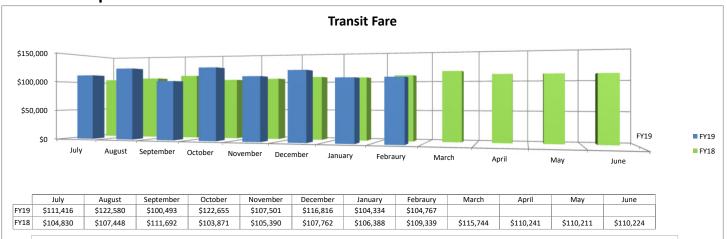
Automation and Labor

The Transportation Trades Department, AFL-CIO called on Congress and the President to "take seriously threats posed by automation." The coalition published eight principles aimed at "protecting the livelihoods of transit operators...as automated transit and ride-hailing services enter their communities." Among the priorities, the coalition is asking that transit operators remain on-board autonomous vehicles for safety reasons. They also are calling on Congress to "establish a fund that would supplement wages, health care costs, and training or retraining programs of workers affected by automation."

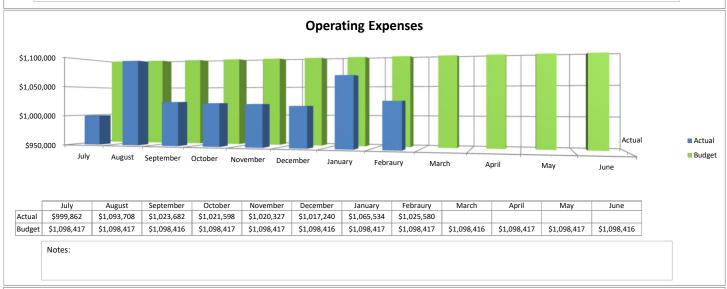
The policy principles request that transit agencies planning to use AVs "must examine the impact they will have on transit workers and issue a report." The report must include "the potential impacts on current employees' terms and conditions of employment."

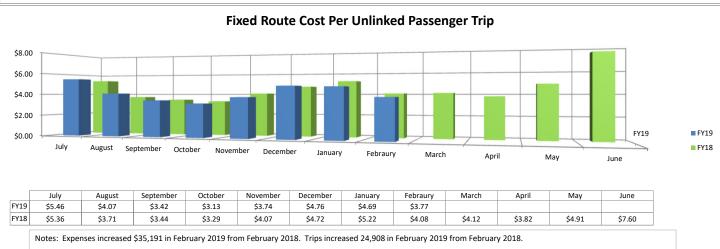
The Transportation Trades Department, AFL-CIO, is a coalition of 32 member unions, including the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees; Amalgamated Transit Union; Communications Workers of America; Laborer's International Union of North America; National Federation of Public and Private Employees; Transportation Communications Union; and Transport Workers Union of America.

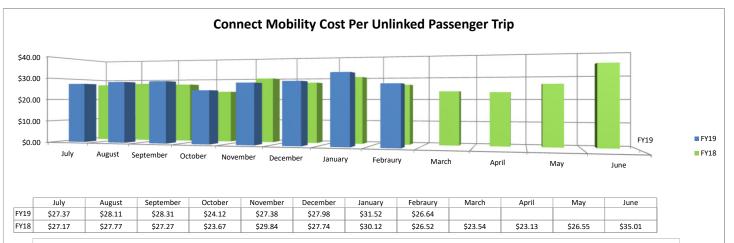
Financial Reports



Notes: ISU revenue increased \$833 in February 2019 from February 2018. Other Contract Fares revenue decreased \$3,050 in February 2019 from February 2018 due to Heartland Community College, Eastview Church and Medicaid. Total Cash Fares decreased \$2,470 in February 2019 from February 2018. Total Pass Fares increased \$198 in February 2019 from February 2018.







Notes: Expenses increased \$7,478 in February 2019 from February 2018. Trips increased by 247 in February 2019 from February 2018.

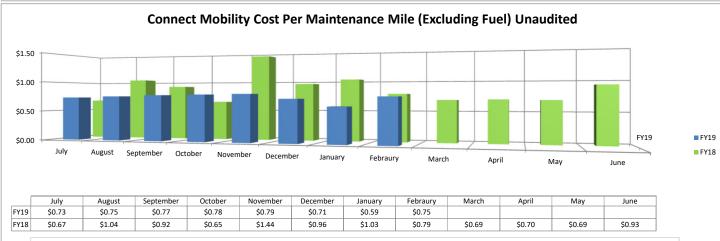


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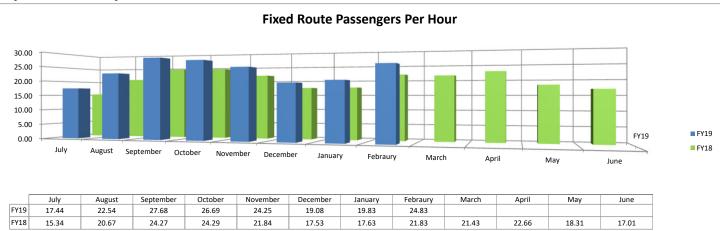
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FY19	\$1.09	\$0.99	\$0.99	\$0.98	\$0.99	\$1.01	\$0.94	\$1.01				
FY18	\$0.89	\$0.95	\$0.95	\$0.90	\$1.18	\$0.98	\$1.16	\$1.00	\$0.89	\$1.14	\$1.09	\$1.82

Notes: Fixed Route maintenance expense increased \$3,004 in February 2019 from February 2018. Fixed Route miles increased 1,962 in February 2019 from February 2018.

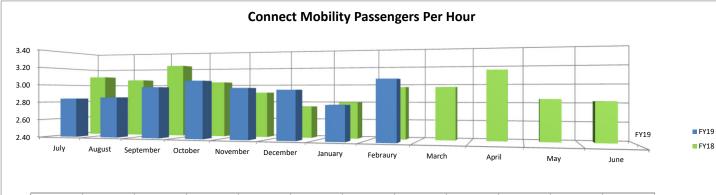


Notes: Connect Mobility maintenance expense decreased \$568 in February 2019 from February 2018. Mobility miles increased 1,405 in February 2019 from February 2018.

Operations Reports

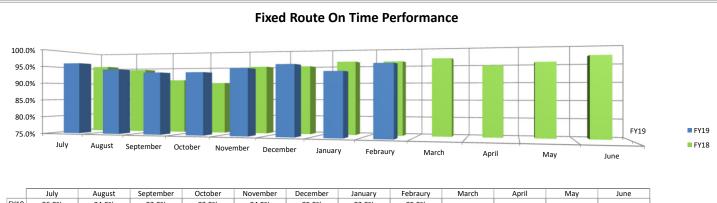


Notes: Fixed route boardings per revenue hour increased 13.7% or 3 boardings PRH in February 2019 over February 2018. This is the average boardings per revenue hour for all fixed route service in February.



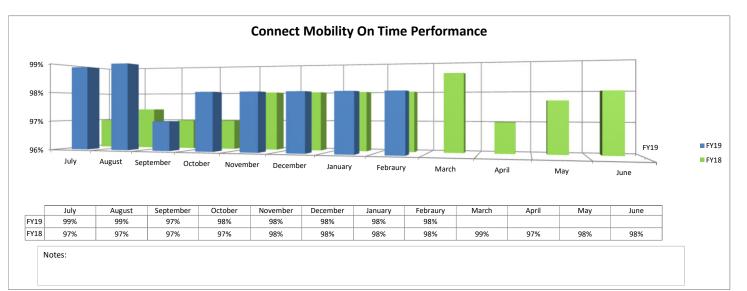
	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	Febraury	March	April	May	June
FY19	2.84	2.85	2.97	3.04	2.96	2.94	2.78	3.05				
FY18	3.10	3.06	3.23	3.03	2.91	2.75	2.80	2.97	2.97	3.15	2.84	2.82

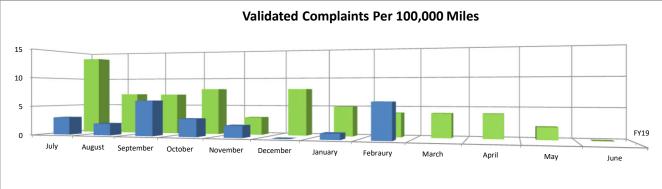
Notes: Mobility boardings per revenue hour in February 2019 increased 2.5%, mileage increased .9%, and passenger trips increased by 247 trips.



	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	Febraury	iviarch	Aprii	iviay	June
FY19	96.0%	94.0%	93.0%	93.0%	94.0%	95.0%	93.0%	95.0%				
FY18	95.4%	94.3%	91.0%	90.1%	94.9%	94.9%	96.1%	96.0%	96.7%	94.6%	95.4%	97.0%

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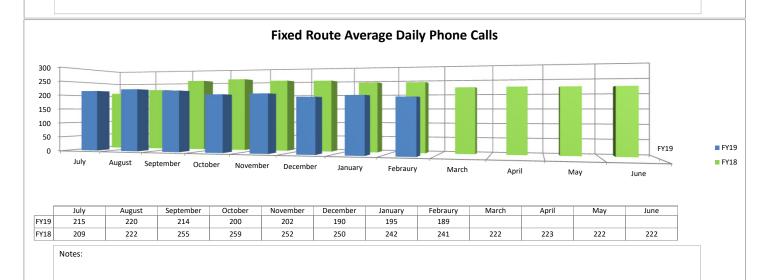


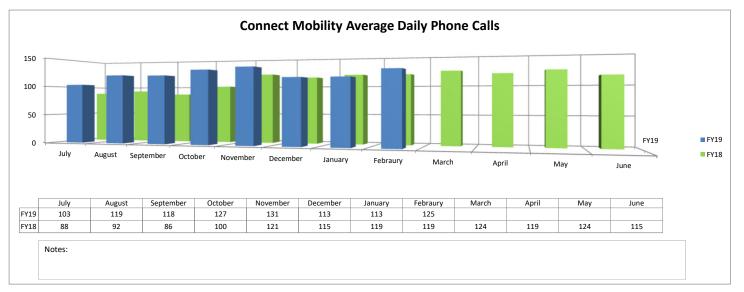
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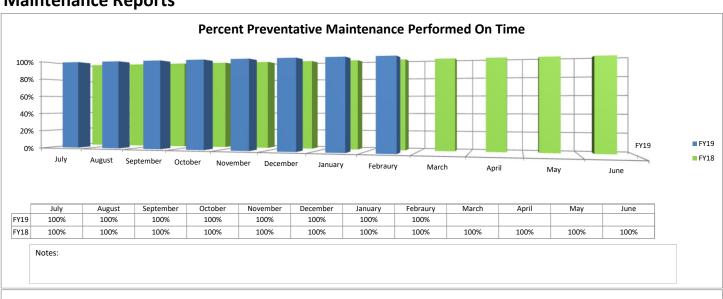
	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	Febraury	March	April	May	June
FY19	3	2	6	3	2	0	1	6				
FY18	14	7	7	8	3	8	5	4	4	4	2	0

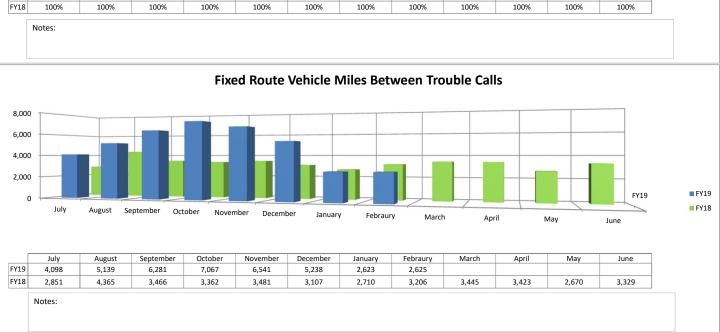
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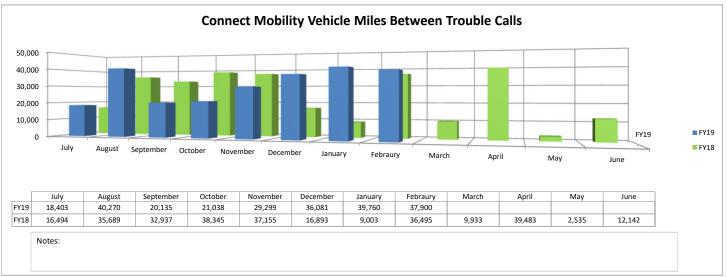


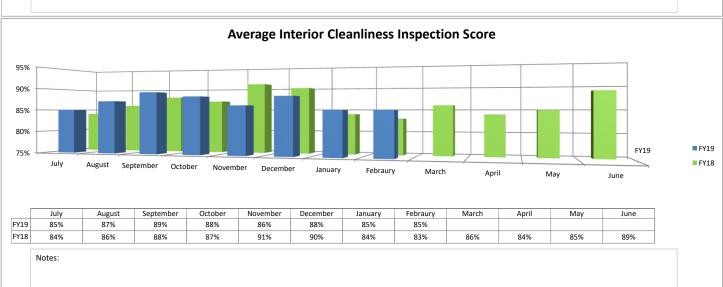


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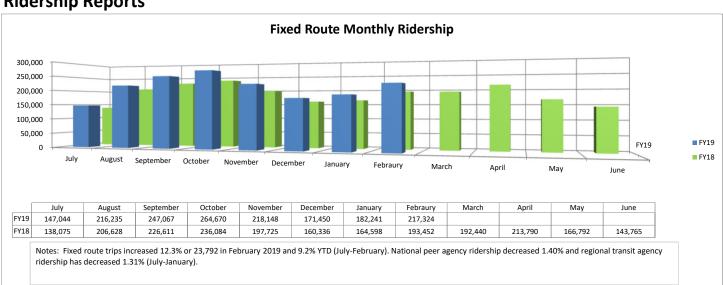


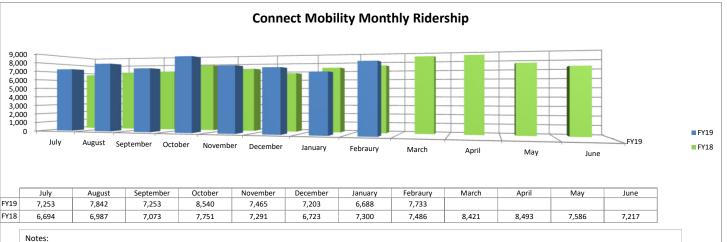






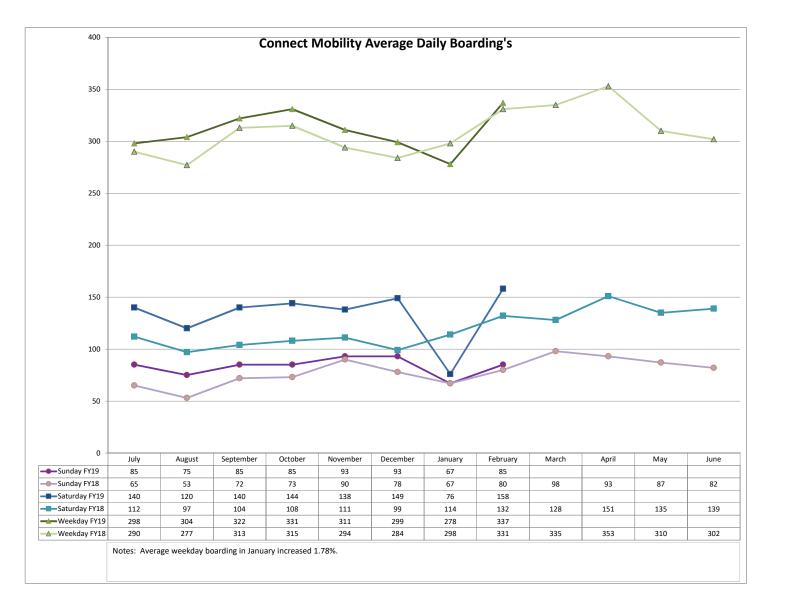
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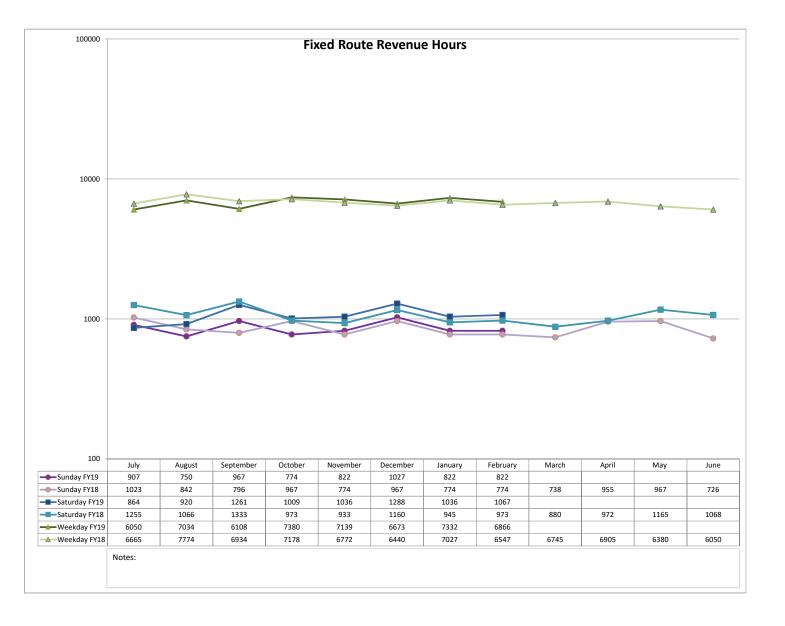


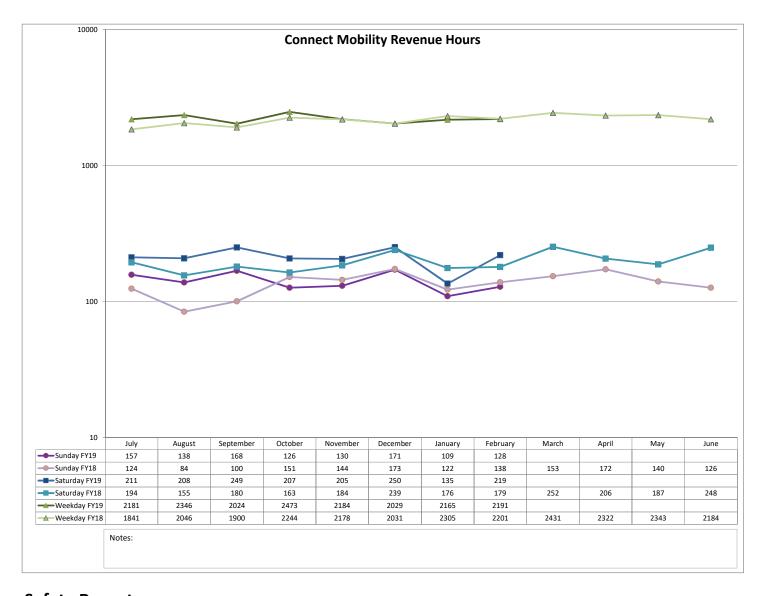




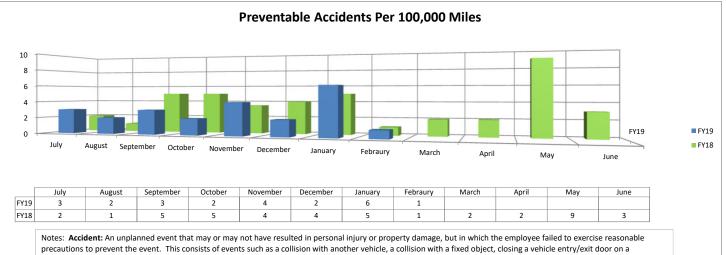
Notes: Average weekday boardings in February 2019 increased 12%. Sunday average boardings increased 5% in February, and have increased 7.3% YTD in FY2019 over FY2018.





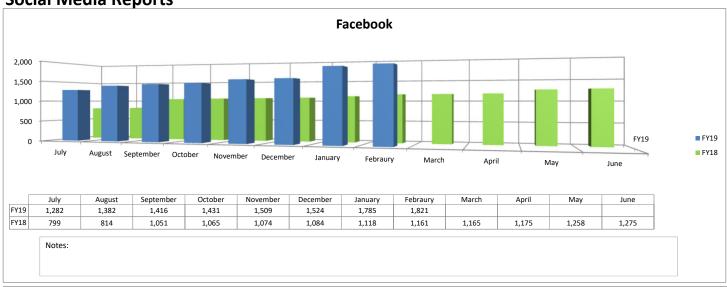


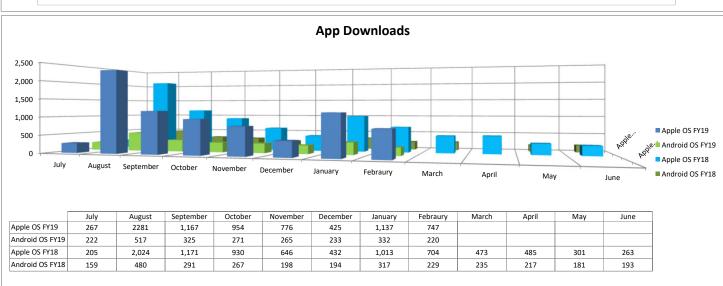


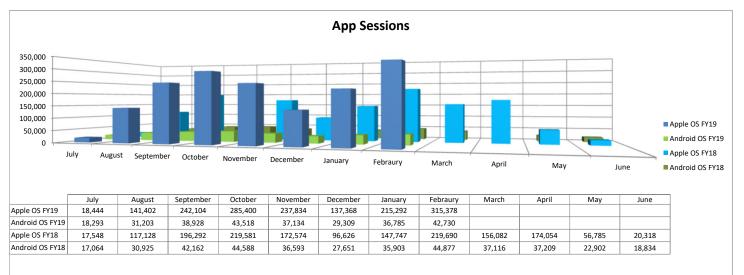


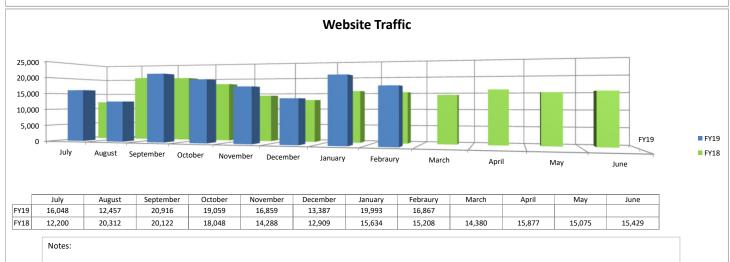
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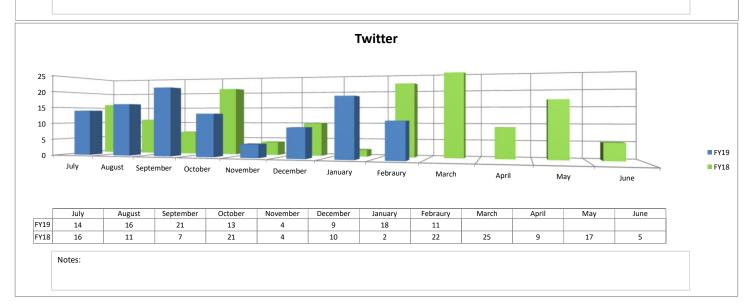
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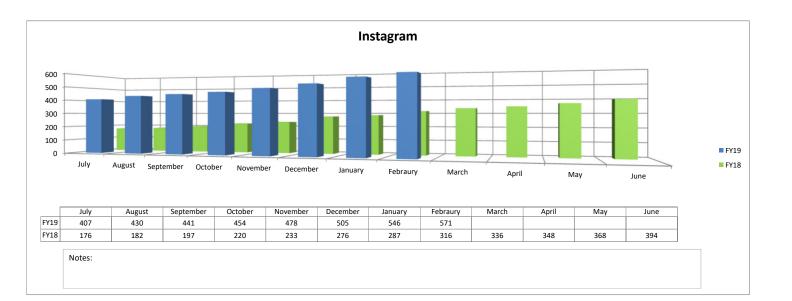














Statistics	Feb 19				Feb 18				% Change			
	Customers	Revenue Miles	Revenue Hours	Boardings per Revenue Hour	Customers	Revenue Miles	Revenue Hours	Boardings per Revenue Hour	Customers	Revenue Miles	Revenue Hours	Boardings per Revenue Hour
Connect Transit												
Green	22,336	7797	794	28.13	20,616	7473	761	27.09	8.3%	4.3%	4.3%	3.8%
Red	26,180	13782	1284	20.39	24,776	13032	1212	20.44	5.7%	5.8%	5.9%	-0.3%
Lime	25,880	16182	1321	19.59	23,756	13888	1234		8.9%	16.5%	7.0%	
Teal	25,000	0	1321		25,750	0	0		0.570	10.5%	7.070	1.0%
Aqua	6,652	2619	187	35.51	5,520	2619	187	29.47	20.5%	0.0%	0.0%	20.5%
Orange	4,128	4604	352		3,116	4604	352		32.5%	0.0%	0.0%	32.5%
Gold	5,232	4568	376		5,040	4568	376		3.8%	0.0%	0.0%	3.8%
Purple	9,696	10383	712	13.62	8,700	10383	712	12.22	11.4%	0.0%	0.0%	11.4%
Blue	3,872	4175	365	10.60	3,672	4175	365	10.05	5.4%	0.0%	0.0%	5.4%
Brown	4,368	3862	337	12.97	4,908	4897	428	11.46	-11.0%	-21.1%	-21.4%	13.2%
Tan	5,248	5642	457	11.48	6,056	7676	621	9.76	-13.3%	-26.5%	-26.3%	17.6%
Pink	6,012	4118	360	16.70	4,992	3571	360	13.87	20.4%	15.3%	0.0%	20.4%
Yellow	15,088	8397	586	25.75	14,300	8720	608	23.52	5.5%	-3.7%	-3.6%	9.5%
Olive	3,352	4084	404	8.30	3,124	4084	404	7.73	7.3%	0.0%	0.0%	7.3%
Redbird	73,476	7273	672	109.34	59,256	7273	672	88.18	24.0%	0.0%	0.0%	24.0%
Ntripper	-	0	0		-	0	0					
Btripper	-	0	0		-	0	0					
Silver	5804	6918	546	10.63	5620	6587	546	10.29	3.3%	5.0%	0.0%	3.3%
Eastview		0	0	4	80	292.32	28					
Total Fixed Route	217,324	104,405	8,754	24.83	193,532	103,843	8,867	21.83	12.3%	0.5%	-1.3%	13.7%
Demand Response												
Connect Mobility	7,733	31,225	2,538	3.05	7,486	30,950	2,518	2.97	3.3%	0.9%	0.8%	2.5%
Connect Late Night												
Total Demand Response	7,733	31,225	2,538	3.05	7,486	30,950	2,518	2.97	3.3%	0.9%	0.8%	2.5%
SYSTEM TOTALS	225,057	135,630	11,292	19.93	201,018	134,793	11,385	17.66	12.0%	0.6%	-0.8%	12.9%



Statistics	YTD 19		YTD 18				% Change					
	Customers	Revenue Miles	Revenue Hours	Boardings per Revenue Hour	Customers	Revenue Miles	Revenue Hours	Boardings per Revenue Hour	Customers	Revenue Miles	Revenue Hours	Boardings per Revenue Hour
Connect Transit												
Green	186,939	64,971	6,510	28.72	169,137	66,158	6,272	26.97	10.5%	-1.8%	3.8%	6.5%
Red	232,414	115,815	10,779	21.56	218,608	110,036	10,290	21.25	6.3%	5.3%	4.8%	1.5%
Lime	232,503	136,067	11,095	20.96	206,606	118,386	10,535	19.61	12.5%	14.9%	5.3%	6.9%
Teal	-	-	-	#DIV/0!	10,461	12,792	1,178	8.88	-100.0%	-100.0%	-100.0%	#DIV/0!
Aqua	62,556	22,335	1,589	39.37	50,321	22,270	1,852	27.17	24.3%	0.3%	-14.2%	44.9%
Orange	37,667	39,200	2,986	12.61	33,256	38,406	2,974	11.18	13.3%	2.1%	0.4%	12.8%
Gold	48,917	38,815	3,193	15.32	44,394	39,591	3,269	13.58	10.2%	-2.0%	-2.3%	12.8%
Purple	93,063	88,132	6,039	15.41	90,498	98,849	7,531	12.02	2.8%	-10.8%	-19.8%	28.2%
Blue	36,190	35,765	3,099	11.68	35,401	35,544	3,094	11.44	2.2%	0.6%	0.2%	2.1%
Brown	38,317	34,586	3,015	12.71	43,098	41,338	3,629	11.88	-11.1%	-16.3%	-16.9%	7.0%
Tan	43,302	51,352	4,162	10.40	49,958	65,029	5,308	9.41	-13.3%	-21.0%	-21.6%	10.5%
Pink	52,269	34,900	3,052	17.13	48,083	30,343	3,105	15.49	8.7%	15.0%	-1.7%	10.6%
Yellow	123,061	62,738	4,379	28.11	122,842	64,722	4,463	27.52	0.2%	-3.1%	-1.9%	2.1%
Olve	30,258	34,687	3,431	8.82	29,713	34,729	3,356	8.85	1.8%	-0.1%	2.2%	-0.4%
Redbird	388,929	45,517	4,258	91.35	337,733	44,831	4,285	78.83	15.2%	1.5%	-0.6%	15.9%
Ntripper	-	-	-	#DIV/0!	270	557	32	8.50	-100.0%	-100.0%	-100.0%	#DIV/0!
Btripper	-	-	-	#DIV/0!	621	1,087	64	9.78	-100.0%	-100.0%	-100.0%	#DIV/0!
Silver	57578	58708.12	4631	12.43	32,509	39,670	3,151	10.32	77.1%	48.0%	47.0%	20.5%
Eastview	216	501	48	4.50	736	2,370	227	3.24	-70.7%	-78.9%	-78.9%	38.8%
Total Fixed Route	1,664,179	864,090	72,265	23.03	1,524,245	866,709	74,611	20.43	9.2%	-0.3%	-3.1%	12.7%
Demand Response												
Connect Mobility	59,977	248,074	20,461	2.93	57,305	235,006	19,260	2.98	4.7%	5.6%	6.2%	-1.5%
Connect Late Night	-	-	-	#DIV/0!	-	-	-	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!
Total Demand Response	59,977	248,074	20,461	2.93	57,305	235,006	19,260	2.98	4.7%	5.6%	6.2%	-1.5%
SYSTEM TOTALS	1,724,156	1,112,164	92,726	18.59	1,581,550	1,101,715	93,871	16.85	9.0%	0.9%	-1.2%	10.4%

Premium Service Overview from Feburary 2019.

Completed Trips	Individuals	Direct Miles	Direct Hours	Fare Collected
367	24	1,972	81	\$1,135

Premium Service Overview from Sept 2017 to Feb 2019.

Completed Trips	Individuals	Direct Miles	Direct Hours	Fare Collected
8072	93	43,225	1757.3	\$25,681



DATE: March 26, 2019

TO: Connect Transit Board of Trustees

FROM: Isaac Thorne, General Manager

SUBJECT: Recommendation of Fare Structure FY2020-FY2023

BACKGROUND: Over the last 12 years Connect Transit has not increased the one-way fare. In the past 24 to 30 months a new route structure was implemented, including Sunday service. On-time performance of routes has significantly increased and Connect is providing 15 to 30-minute service on most routes. Passenger trips have increased 9.2% year-to-date and Connect has had 9 consecutive months of increased ridership. The last change in the fare structure took place in 2016, when the 30-day fixed route pass was increased from \$29 to \$32 and the CM 30-day pass was increased from \$51.00 to \$65.00.

Fixed Route Fare and Passes for Illinois Transit Agencies

- Springfield Mass Transit District \$1.25 one-way / No monthly pass /\$20 for 20-rides pass
- MetroLINK (Rock Island Mass Transit District) \$1.00 one-way / \$30 calendar month pass
- Greater Peoria Mass Transit District \$1.00 per ride / transfers \$1.00 / \$40.00 for 30-day pass
- Champaign Mass Transit District \$1.00 one-way / \$20.00 for monthly pass
- Decatur Public Transit \$1.00 one-way / \$36.80 calendar month pass
- Danville Public Transit \$1.00 one-way / \$36.00 calendar month pass
- Rockford Mass Transit District \$1.50 one-way / \$55.00 for 30-day pass

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Trustees approve the below-recommended fare structure starting on July 1, 2019 through July 1, 2023. The fare structure recommendation is a four-year plan to increase fares to help offset a small portion of the additional service that has been provided over the last few years.



Recommended Fare Structure - FY2020-FY2023

<u>July 1, 2019</u> (FY2020)

Increase the fixed route one-way fare \$.25 (\$1.25). Fixed Route 30-day pass increases to \$36. Disabled fare will increase to \$.60. Institute a fare cap for fixed route service allowing those of low or fixed income the ability to purchase a monthly pass. Customers approved for Connect Mobility can use fixed route service for free.

One-day pass - \$3.00 (no change) Seven-day pass - \$10.00 (no change)

Connect Mobility one-way fare increases to \$2.50. Premium service increases to \$3.50 (1.00 mile) and \$4.50 (1.25 miles). Connect Mobility 30-day pass would be eliminated and replaced with a Value Card.

The Value Card will provide a discount to <u>all</u> Connect Mobility customers regardless of the geographical location of the trip. Customers can purchase Value Cards at a discount that ranges from 5%-15%.

- 5% discount on a \$25 Value Card, customer is charged \$23.75
- 10% discount on a \$50 Value Card, customer is charged \$45.00
- 15% discount on a \$100 Value Card, customer is charged \$85.00

This allows customers to use a Value Card in the Connect Mobility and Premium service areas. Additionally, the Value Card will not expire like a 30-day pass. Customers will be able to use it as needed without fear that it will expire in a pre-determined time period.

<u>July 1, 2020</u> (FY2021)

Fixed Route
Increase fixed route fare \$.05 (\$1.30)
Disabled - \$.60 (no change)
One-day pass - \$3.50
Seven-day pass - \$11.00
30-day pass - \$36.00 (no change)

Connect Mobility

One-way fare increases to \$2.60. Premium service increases to \$3.60 (1.00 mile) and \$4.60 (1.25 miles).



<u>July 1, 2021</u> (FY2022)

Fixed Route
Increase fare \$.10 (\$1.40)
Disabled - \$.70
One-day pass - \$3.50 (no change)
Seven-day pass - \$11.00 (no change)
30-day pass - \$38.00

Connect Mobility

One-way fare increases to \$2.80. Premium service increases to \$3.80 (1.00 mile) and \$4.80 (1.25 miles).

<u>July 1, 2022</u> (FY2023)

Fixed Route
Increase fare \$.10 (\$1.50)
Disabled - \$.75
One-day pass - \$4.00
Seven-day pass - \$12.00
30-day pass \$40.00

Connect Mobility

One-way fare increases to \$3.00. Premium service to \$4.00 (1.00 mile) and \$5.00 (1.25 miles).

Financial Impact: Connect Transit is projecting the following increases in Passenger Fare Revenue due to fare increases:

FY 2020: \$95,000.00 FY 2021: \$98,000.00 FY 2022: \$132,000.00 FY 2023: \$150,000.00



DATE: March 26, 2019

TO: Connect Transit Board of Trustees

FROM: Isaac Thorne, General Manager

SUBJECT: Recommendation of Route Adjustments for July 1, 2019 (FY2020)

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Trustees approve the discontinuation of the Olive Route and create the Red and Lime Express routes.

BACKGROUND: To increase ridership, frequency, and make good use of infrastructure, staff is recommending the following route adjustments to the Olive and the addition of the Lime Express and Red Express.

- Olive
 - Discontinue Service
- Lime EX
 - o Increase service from Bloomington Walmart to Downtown
- Red EX
 - Increase service from Uptown to Normal Walmart, and serve OSF Fort Jessie Medical Center

These proposed route adjustments are consistent with the results of the rider survey conducted in 2018. The two items that are most important to customers are reliability of service and frequency of service.

Olive

The Olive operations costs are approximately \$523,200 per year. On average, the Olive weekday ridership for the last 6 months is 134 trips per day. Round-trip the Olive makes 41 stops. Out of the 41 stops 12 average 0 riders, 15 others have less than 2 riders. The stops that currently generate ridership are Orlando (43 On, 44 Off), Normal Walmart (34 On, 37 Off) and OSF Medical Center (16 On, 17 Off). In comparison the Yellow route at Orlando and the Alumni Center are (41 On, 32 Off) and the Red/Purple at Walmart are (162 On, 189 Off).

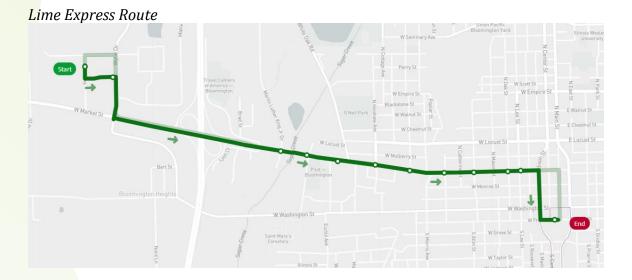


Staff recommendation is to discontinue service on the Olive and reallocate the hours to create the Red Express and the Lime Express. This will not only provide service to the stops that generate ridership on the Olive but will also increase frequency of service on two busy corridors within our service area. The hours available for reallocation are 5,232.

This allows for the proposed Lime Express and Red Express routes to run Monday-Friday for 14hrs (8hrs on the Red Express and 6hrs on the Lime Express). The reallocation of hours creates a surplus of 6 service hours/per day which results in a decrease of expenses of \$156,600 for fixed route service.

Lime Express

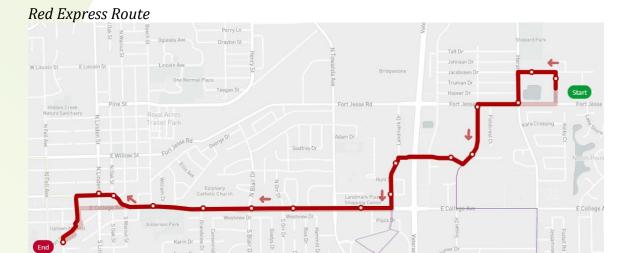
The Lime route has a 12.5% or 25,897 increase in passenger trips year-to-date. The Lime Express would run Monday thru Friday 9am-11am and then from 1:30pm to 5:30pm. This will allow us to increase service from the Walmart in Bloomington to Downtown Bloomington during peak times. The Lime Express will not congest Downtown transfer location by arriving at :15 and :45.





Red Express

The Red route has a 6.3% or 13,806 increase in passenger trips year-to-date. The Red Express would run Monday-Friday. It would run from 7am to 11am, 3pm to 6pm. This would allow Connect to continue to service OSF Fort Jessie Medical Center and increase service from Uptown to the Normal Walmart. The addition of the Red Express will not congest the Uptown Transfer Center by arriving at :00 and :30.





MEMO

DATE: March 26, 2019

TO: Board of Trustees

FROM: Isaac Thorne, General Manager

SUBJECT: Recommendation for Approval of Vice-Chairman Ryan Whitehouse

Travel Expenses for OneVoice Trip

One Voice Registration - \$1,600.00

Flight - \$658.00

Hotel - \$303.47

Meals - \$57.85

Total \$2,619.32

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MEMO

DATE: March 26, 2019

TO: Board of Trustees

FROM: Pat Kuebrich, Finance Director

SUBJECT: Recommendation of Cash Farm Lease

RECOMMENDATION: That the Cash Farm Lease with Mark Thompson beginning on April 1, 2019 and ending on March 31, 2020 on a cash rent basis of \$200.00 per acre, and a total of \$1,000 to be approved.

BACKGROUND: In the past several years Connect has leased these acres of land. The property will be maintained by the Lessee and provides additional revenue to Connect.

DISCUSSION: The land produces average to fair yields due to sitting rather low and does not properly drain because of tile damage. Per the Farmland Values and Lease Trends the typical cash rental rates per acre of land with average to fair productivity ranges from \$186 to \$225.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: Revenue received will be directed to fiscal year 2020 operational expenses.

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CASH FARM LEASE

Sy	DE AND ENTERED into by and between Bloomington-Normal Public Transit stem, herein after called "Lessor", and Mark Thompson, herein after called ssee", this day of, 2019.
	WITNESSETH:
1.	That the Lessor hereby leases to Lessee, during the time period commencing on the day of, 2019, and ending on the day of, 2020, the following property (see Attachment A) to be used for farming purposes only. The tillable acres are stipulated to be <u>5 acres</u> , more or less. Lessee, in consideration of this lease, agrees to pay cash rent on the basis of \$200.00 per acre.
	The Lessor reserves the right to terminate this lease upon a six (6) month written notice to the Lessee. The Lessor will notify the Lessee no later than October 1, 2019 to terminate the lease for the following year.
	Annual rent is due and payable in the amount of \$1,000.00 on November 1, 2019.
2.	 Roadways shall be mowed at least twice during the growing season. Spray fence rows in the spring with brush killer or other material. To plant cover crop in the event layout acres are provided under the Government Program. Ditch maintenance and tiling would be responsibility of Lessor. Not to damage any existing grass waterways. To provide adequate crop insurance. To vacate said premises at the expiration of this lease without any notice to quit or any demands and to deliver up the premises to the Lessor. Lessor consents to Lessee entering into any farm program and agrees to join in executing necessary agreements with Lessee receiving farm program payments. To prorate lime application over a 4-year period.
	IS FURTHER UNDERSTOOD AND ACKNOWLEDGED that Lessor has a lien ainst all crops harvested for payment of cash rent.
	IS FURTHER UNDERSTOOD AND AGREED that this land is rent for farm e only.
W	TNESS our hands and seals this day of, 2019.
	LessorLessee