



FTA Updates from the Region 6 Office:

Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP) Regulation

The [PTASP regulation](#) requires all operators of public transportation systems that are recipients and subrecipients of FTA's [Urbanized Area Formula Grants](#) (Section 5307) to develop safety plans that include the processes and procedures to implement [Safety Management Systems \(SMS\)](#). FTA has deferred applicability of this requirement for operators that only receive funds through FTA's [Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Formula Program](#) (Section 5310) and/or [Rural Area Formula Program](#) (Section 5311).

As part of the Annual Certifications and Assurances, transit operators must certify they have a safety plan in place for meeting the requirements of the rule by July 20, 2020. However, in response to the COVID-19 public health emergency, on April 22, 2020, FTA issued a [Notice of Enforcement Discretion](#), effectively extending the PTASP compliance deadline to December 31, 2020. All plans will be reviewed starting October 1, 2021 through FTA's oversight process. For guidance and updates to assist in the preparation and implementation of the PTASP Final Rule, please visit FTA's website at www.transit.dot.gov/PTASP