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MEMORANDUM

TO: Metropolitan Planning Organization Committee Members

FROM: Kelly Brennan, Long Range Planner III

DATE: April 4, 2022

RE: 22TP007 - Section 5310 Award Recommendation

The Rapid City Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) receives federal funds on a yearly basis as part of the Federal Transit Administration's Section 5310 program to provide capital assistance to elderly persons and/or persons with disabilities. The Rapid City Area MPO solicited applications from entities throughout the region regarding assistance with vehicles and/or operating costs. Funding is provided as an 80/20 split for capital costs and as a 50/50 split for operating costs. Two organizations submitted applications for review.

The scoring committee, which is composed of Rapid City Staff and MPO representatives, recommends granting \$80,000 to Black Hills Works for one transit style bus and \$53,600 to Prairie Hills Transit for one transit style bus. These busses will enable wheelchair transit options to assist the agencies in eliminating transportation gaps identified in the Coordinated Public Transit – Human Services Transportation Plan. The following chart identifies the funding sources.

Black Hills Works	
FTA §5310 Funds (80%)	\$80,000
Black Hills Works Match (20%)	\$20,000
Total	\$100,000
Prairie Hills Transit	
FTA §5310 Funds (80%)	\$53,600
Black Hills Works Match (20%)	\$13,400
Total	\$67,000

<u>SCORING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION</u>: The Scoring Committee recommends approving the recommendation to award Black Hills Works \$80,000 and Prairie Hills Transit \$53,600 in Section 5310 funds for the purchase of transit style busses.

