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FYs 14-17 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM GRANT APPLICATION		Infrastructure	
PROJECT NAME	Purchase and/or rehab Locomotive and rail cars		
LEAD AGENCY	Regional Transportation Authority		
PROJECT TYPE	<input type="checkbox"/> On-Road Improvements <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Off-Road Improvements <input type="checkbox"/> Amenities/ Enhancements		
ROADWAY OR NEAREST INTERSECTION	REGIONAL	TERMINI (TO/FROM)	LENGTH (MILES)
		REGIONAL	
COUNTIES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Davidson <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rutherford <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sumner/Robertson <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Williamson/Maury <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wilson		
BRIEF DESCRIPTION	Purchase and/or Rehab of locomotive(s) and rail cars for use on Music City Star service. Prepare and paint exterior of passenger cars to cover rusted areas and improve image of service. Paint recently purchased locomotive to match paint scheme of current equipment. Rehab interiors of 30+ year old equipment used on Music City Star service.		
PROPOSED ELEMENTS		PROJECT HISTORY	
<input type="checkbox"/> Sidewalks <input type="checkbox"/> Curb Ramps <input type="checkbox"/> Crosswalk <input type="checkbox"/> Signalization/ Traffic Control <input type="checkbox"/> Intelligent Transportation System <input type="checkbox"/> Signage <input type="checkbox"/> Bus/ Transit Stop <input type="checkbox"/> Transit Service <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Transit Capital <input type="checkbox"/> Pedestrian Amenities <input type="checkbox"/> Bicycle Parking (Rack, Locker) <input type="checkbox"/> Shared Lane <input type="checkbox"/> New Greenway <input type="checkbox"/> Greenway Extension <input type="checkbox"/> Greenway Amenities <input type="checkbox"/> Connection to School <input type="checkbox"/> Connection to Transit Stop		<input type="checkbox"/> Project in TIP ID# _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Not in TIP, LRTP Project ID# _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Existing Project, Not in TIP or Plan <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New Project <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	
		GRANT FUNDING SUMMARY (NEW REQUESTS)	
		<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Federal Requested</i>
		**2013	\$228,000
		2014	\$660,000
		2015	\$500,000
		2016	\$250,000
		2017	\$250,000
		Total	\$1,660,000
			\$415,000
		<i>*Please complete the PROJECT BUDGET WORKSHEET form and include any funding from other sources of revenue.</i>	
		<i>** Amend 2011-2015 TIP</i>	
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PROPOSAL NARRATIVE

(Provide no more than 5 pages, responding to each of the following sections)

<p>Section 1. Project Description, Purpose, Need, and Objectives</p>	<p>Purchase and/or Rehab of locomotive(s) and rail cars for use on Music City Star service. Currently have four locomotives that are approximately 30 years old that will require various levels of rehabilitation. Also plan to purchase new or used locomotives for expansion of services on current line to Lebanon and for future new service to Clarksville area.</p> <p>Major projects include maintenance and rehabilitation of older locomotives as well as procurement/purchase of new or used locomotives. Those new locomotives will need cosmetic work in order to match the current locomotive design.</p>
<p>Section 2. Benefits to Region and Local Community</p>	<p>Rehabilitation of locomotives will ensure a safer and more comfortable ride for passengers. The purchase/procurement of new locomotives will allow RTA to increase our service which will help mitigate traffic congestion and air pollution.</p> <p>This project is consistent with the transit priorities identified by the Nashville Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) 2035 Regional Transportation Plan. This project is also a part of the MTA's Strategic Master Plan, which identifies long-term planning opportunities for public transportation in Nashville.</p>
<p>Section 3. Project Deliverables, Schedule, & Milestones</p>	<p>Projects can be implemented within 12 months and project can be obligated within 12 months. RTA has an experienced procurement and program management staff and is ready to begin procurement and deployment of the program tasks once the notice of award for this project has been granted.</p> <p>RTA has previous success with completing larger capital projects with the use of federal funds. There are no outstanding legal issues that would make this a high-risk project to implement quickly.</p>
<p>Section 4. Budget Narrative</p>	<p>RTA is the designated recipient for federal funds. RTA is in fundable status for grant-making purposes. We have already identified a 10% match through local funds and have requested the State to provide a 10% match. RTA has an adequate financial system in place to effectively implement this project.</p>

