

RESOLUTION 12-8

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A REQUEST TO BE MADE FOR THE NORTHWEST ARKANSAS REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION TO BE DESIGNATED RECIPIENT FOR FEDERAL TRANSIT SECTION 5307 AND OTHER GRANT PROGRAM PURPOSES

WHEREAS, the Urbanized Area (UZA) population for Northwest Arkansas resulting from the 2010 Census was 295,083—up from the 2000 Census figure of 172,585; and

WHEREAS, Transportation Management Area (TMA) designation of the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission, the Metropolitan Planning Commission (MPO) for the UZA, occurs with the population exceeding 200,000; and

WHEREAS, with TMA designation, “Designated Recipient” status must be established for Federal Transit Administration grant programs, including the Section 5307 Program; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has been involved (at the State’s request) since FY 2003 in FTA grant programs, and in determining the split in FTA Section 5307 funds between transit providers; is the most logical and appropriate designated recipient under the FTA Section 5307 and other FTA grant programs; and is willing to accept such status on behalf of the region.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE NORTHWEST ARKANSAS REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION:

That authorization is hereby given for the Director to submit a request to appropriate authorities, including the Governor, on behalf of the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission, for the Commission to be the Designated Recipient under the Federal Transit Administration’s grant programs, including but not limited to, the Section 5307 Grant Program beginning with Federal fiscal year 2013.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 23rd DAY OF May, 2012.

Elizabeth A. Bowen
Chairman

ATTEST:

Jeff Hawkins
Director