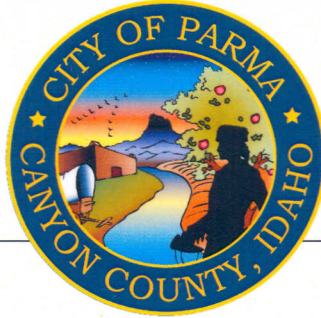


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Dear Tiger Grant Review Committee:

Valley Regional Transit is applying for a Tiger Stimulus Funding Grant which packages together a number of service and facility projects to improve the commute along the Treasure Valley east/west corridor. In this grant request, funding for a two year test of the Parma/Greenleaf/Wilder transit service-leg would be included. Valley Regional Transit would implement and manage the test for the two years to evaluate the demand for the service operation on an ongoing basis.

The City of Parma has patiently been waiting for such a service. Parma is located at the western end of the Treasure Valley which has, and is, experiencing rapid growth. An eminent traffic problem is on the edge of causing non-attainment air quality issues for the entire valley. This is a vital issue to all of us. The ARRA funds would be essential in evaluating the need of transit service for this end of the valley.

The City of Parma fully supports this project. The City and the entire western region of Canyon County desperately need this type of service to help expand our job growth and our economic stability.

Thank you so much for the consideration for this funding.

Sincerely,

Margaret Watson
Mayor
City of Parma