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Refresher Educational Seminar on Innovative Financing Opportunities

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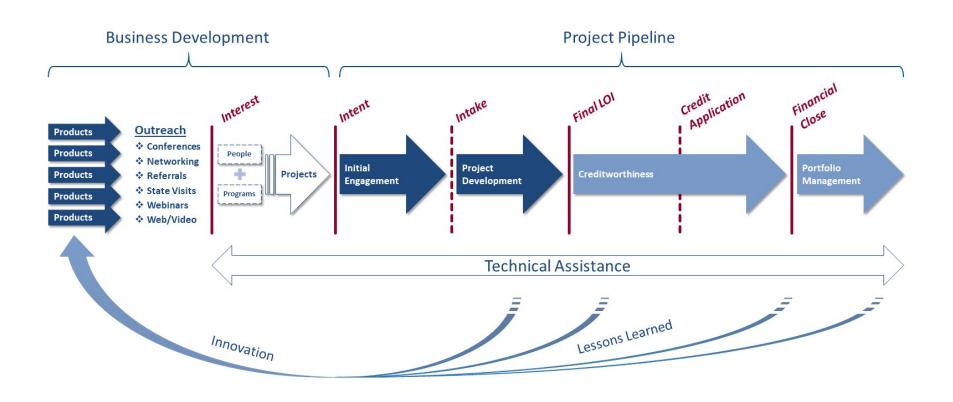
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## **Bureau Priorities**

- Mission: Deliver More Good Projects Faster
- Grow a more robust project pipeline
- Diversify portfolio mix:
  - Geographic/new states
  - Asset class
  - Innovative project delivery models
- Streamline credit application process
- Assist underserved stakeholders, communities and new borrowers
- Remain open during times of need and stay fully engaged with partners

## **Bureau Business Model Framework**





## TIFIA

-Transportation Infrastructure Finance & Innovation Act of 1998

- Long-term repayment period
  - Up to 35 years
  - Can be deferred for five years following substantial completion
  - No pre-payment penalty



- Finance up to 33% of eligible project costs
- Draw funds as needed; only pay interest on drawn funds
- Highly customizable to meet borrower needs
- Also offer loan guarantees and lines of credit

# **TIFIA Rural Project Initiative (RPI)**

- Rural: Outside a Census-defined urbanized area of population greater than 150,000
- Project costs between \$10 million and \$100 million
- TIFIA can finance up to **49%** of eligible project costs
- Fixed rate at ½ **Treasury** rate
- DOT can **cover borrower fees**



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## RRIF

-Railroad Rehabilitation & Improvement Financing

- Very similar to TIFIA (Long-term, fixed interest, flexible amortization, no pre-payment penalty, etc.)
- Can finance <u>up to 100%</u> of eligible project cost
- The credit risk premium is offset using
  - Upfront payment by the borrower
  - Collateral
  - Adjustment to the interest rate



## **RRIF Express**

- Very similar to RRIF (Long-term, fixed interest, flexible amortization, no pre-payment penalty, etc.)
- Can finance <u>up to 100%</u> of eligible project costs up to \$50 million
- Eligible borrowers receive
  - Expedited processing
  - Up to 5% CRP cost assistance
  - Up to \$100,000 is fee assistance
  - Applications accepted through June 15, 2020 first come, first served

Eligible Borrowers: Class II or III Railroads



## **Streamlined Loan Application**

- Speedier process enabled by the FAST Act for projects meeting the following criteria (subsection (f) to 23 U.S.C. § 603):
  - Public sector borrower
  - Minimum credit rating A- (or equivalent)
  - Max loan amount \$100 million
  - Based on the Bureau's Non-Project Revenues template loan agreement
  - Repayment of the loan commences no later than 5 year after full disbursement.



## **TIFIA State Infrastructure Banks (SIBs)**

- A **Rural Projects Fund** can be established (FAST Act) within a SIB and capitalized with a TIFIA loan to provide financing to:
  - Rural surface transportation infrastructure projects
    - Rural: Outside a Census-defined urbanized area of population greater than 150,000
  - Of up to 80% of project costs, at one-half Treasury rate.
  - With advisory fee waiver for loans under \$75 million (limited budget availability).
  - With one credit rating agency rating requirement.
- New Jersey Infrastructure Bank (NJIB) and a few other states expressed interest .

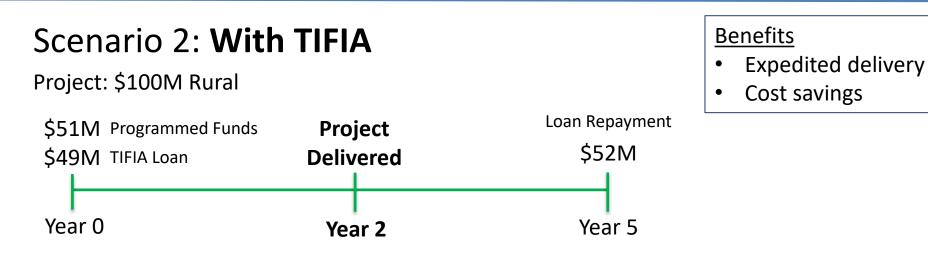


## **Build It Now!**

### Scenario 1: No TIFIA

#### Project: \$100M Rural Multi-Phase





# Refinancing

- Refinancing of outstanding debt if refinancing provides additional funding capacity for the completion, enhancement, or expansion of an eligible project
- Refinancing of outstanding debt incurred to acquire, improve, or rehabilitate intermodal or rail equipment or facilities
- Deferral of debt service for TIFIA loans, deferral of debt service for RRIF loans for up to one year



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## **Questions & Answers**



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