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Urban Mass Transportation Administrator Paul L. Sitton today announced a \$96,666 grant to the Bi-State Development Agency, of St. Louis, Missouri, to assist in continued planning for a St. Louis regional mass transit system.

The Bi-State Development Agency will analyze public transportation alternatives for the St. Louis area, including engineering and operating costs, and projected ridership estimates. A detailed study for a recommended regional mass transportation system will be developed.

Earlier, a \$170,000 technical study grant was made to the Bi-State Agency for a regional rapid transit system.

"These mass transportation studies are essential to the development of a unified rapid mass transit system as part of the planned comprehensive development of the St. Louis area," Sitton said.

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