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The Department of Transportation has approved a technical study grant of \$157,400 for the Denver Regional Council of Governments, Secretary John A. Volpe announced today.

This grant, administered by the Department's Urban Mass Transportation Administration (UMTA), will provide support for the transit-related activities of the Council's Joint Regional Planning Program (JRPP), the Secretary said. Additional Federal funds will come from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) which, along with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), has reviewed and concurred in the work program.

"This technical studies grant is made available by President Nixon's \$3.1 billion, five-year program to improve transit facilities in the nation's metropolitan areas," commented the Secretary. "Through the results of this program, the citizens of the Denver metropolitan area will benefit from better and more adequate service."

UMTA Administrator Carlos C. Villarreal added that the Federal funds will be augmented by \$78,700 in local shares. Other participants in the JRPP are the Colorado Department of Highways and the Regional Transit District.

The 12-month program will primarily involve the refinement of the preliminary land use; highway and public transportation plan components and the adoption of these plans; and preparation of a short-range implementation program for public transportation and highways.

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