

APPENDIX E METHODOLOGY FOR CALCULATION OF OVERALL GOALS

Amount of Goal

1. Lane Transit District (District) overall goal for FY 2023 – FY 2025 is the following: 8.8% of the Federal Financial assistance we will expend in DOT-assisted contracts, exclusive of FTA funds to be used for the purchase of transit vehicles.

Methodology used to Calculate Overall Goal

Step 1:

Determine the base figure for the relative availability of DBEs.

The base figure the Base Figure is derived by:

Dividing the number of ready, willing and able DBE firms identified for each NAICS work category by the number of all firms identified within the LTD market area for each corresponding work category (*relative availability*).

$$\text{Base Figure} = \sum \frac{(\text{Number of Ready, Willing and Able DBEs})}{(\text{Number of All Ready, Willing and Able Firms})} \times \text{Weighted Ratio}$$

The data source or demonstrable evidence used to derive the numerator was: *COBID DBE Database of Certified Firms*

The data source or demonstrable evidence used to derive the denominator was: *2020 U.S. Census Bureau County Business Patterns Database*

Applying this methodology and dividing the numerator by the denominator, the base figure for LTD's' overall goal was: 10%

Step 2:

After calculating a base figure of the relative availability of DBEs, evidence was examined to determine what adjustment was needed to the base figure in order to arrive at the overall goal.

In order to reflect as accurately as possible the DBE participation LTD would expect in the absence of discrimination, the base figure was adjusted to 8.8%.

The data used to determine the adjustment to the base figure was: The median established for the past three years is lower than the Base Figure derived from Step 1; therefore, an adjustment to the Base Figure based on LTD past DBE goal attainments has been made. The adjustment is calculated in accordance with FTA guidance by averaging the Base Figure with the median DBE Past Attainment, as shown below.

Base Figure (A)	10%
Median DBE Attainment (B)	7.6%
Adjusted Base Figure [(A+B)/2]	8.8%

Public Participation

A Public Notice was posted on LTD's website, as well as the local newspaper, announcing the Proposed FTA Overall DBE Goal-Setting Methodology for FFY 2023-FFY 2025 and will include:

- A statement that the methodology and proposed overall goal for DBE participation in LTD's federally-assisted contracts are available for public inspection for a period of 30 days from the date of publication.
- Notification that LTD will accept public comments on the proposed goal and rationale for a period of 45 days from the date of publication.
- Instructions for the submission of comments.

Comments were received from the following individuals and/or organizations:

Summaries of the above referenced comments are as follows:

LTD responses to the above referenced comments are as follows: