

China

Qinghai Xining Urban Transport

Green Bond Criteria: Mitigation

To provide more efficient, safer and cleaner transportation to Xining's residents along the Wusixi corridor.

Expected Results (by project end) include:

- Decrease travel time along project corridor by 20%.
- Increase use by 264,000 passengers daily.
- Improve accessibility to 190,000 jobs along the Wusixi road due to better transportation services.
- Reduce vehicle pollution.

IBRD Loan Amount:

US\$120 million (of which \$30 million is green bond eligible)



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Country Challenge

Compared to cities in East China, cities in West China have been slow in improving public transportation. Xining (population 2.2 million), capital city of Qinghai Province, has seen rapid motorization (15% over last decade) while public transportation services have deteriorated. As the city is expanding horizontally, conditions are set for Xining to become another car-dependent and GHG emission intensive city.

Project Goals

The project aims to avoid this outcome by developing a model corridor along the Wusixi road linking the city center to the western part of the city (Xichuan New Area). It improves traffic flow and public infrastructure by: constructing dedicated bus lanes; upgrading 56 bus stops and 36 junctions; procuring 145 new clean, safe and user-friendly buses; building facilities for pedestrian access; and improving traffic management systems.

For more information:

<http://www.worldbank.org/projects/P127867/china-qinghai-xining-urban-transport-project?lang=en>