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To: LAPC Policy Board and TAC Members representing LAPC Wisconsin Municipalities
Re: Project Solicitation for 2011 - 2014 STP-Urban Program
From: Tom Faella, LAPC Executive Director

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation is currently soliciting projects for the Wisconsin **2011 – 2014 Surface Transportation Program - Urban (STP- Urban)**. Although projects are due to WisDOT by July 30, 2010, turnaround time for project selection will be short. I would like to schedule project prioritizing at the July 21, 2010 TAC and LAPC meetings. In order to distribute project information with the agenda for the July meetings, I am asking that you please also submit projects to the LAPC office by **Friday, June 25, 2010**.

This year the local program cycle includes the state fiscal years 2011 - 2014. (Note: fiscal year 2011 is July 1, 2010 – June 30, 2011, etc.) The estimated STP-Urban funding available in the La Crosse Area has not yet been determined. (Past allocations have been about \$733,000 per year.) Projects are funded up to a **maximum of 80% federal funding**, with a minimum 20% local match. Additional funds can be requested for projects that were selected for funding in 2007; a current application will be required.


The STP-Urban Program provides federal funding for a range of transportation-related activities, including projects on county and local roads that are not on the State Trunk Highway System, functionally classified as “collector” or higher.

There are significant changes in the application forms this year, including additional mapping requirements. For more information on the STP-Urban Program, please refer to the DOT website at: <http://www.dot.wisconsin.gov/localgov/highways/stp-urban.htm>. This website also includes a link to the latest functional class maps.

Projects will be scored by staff using the criteria established in the LAPC Metropolitan Transportation Plan, and will be reviewed and prioritized by the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) on July 21, 2010. The TAC recommendation will be reviewed by the LAPC Policy Board for final selection at the July 21 LAPC meeting. The LAPC decision will then be submitted to the DOT.

WisDOT will be holding an STP-Urban information meeting at the La Crosse DOT office at 3550 Mormon Coulee Road, from **8:00 – noon on Tuesday, March 30, 2010**. I strongly urge a representative of your community to attend to learn about program changes and requirements.

Please contact me at 785-5977 with questions about this program. You may also contact DOT Southwest Region local program coordinator Michael Erickson at michael.erickson@dot.wi.gov or (608) 246-5361.

Thank you,

Tom Faella, Director