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# Abbreviations

AVL	Automatic Vehicle Locator
BRP	Bridge Replacement Program
BROS	Bridge Replacement Off-System
BRS	Bridge Replacement On System
DMATS	Dubuque Metropolitan Area Transportation Study
ECIA	East Central Intergovernmental Association
ESP	Economic Stimulus Project
FFY	Federal Fiscal Year
FHWA	Federal Highway Administration
FM	Farm-to-Market
FTA	Federal Transit Administration
GO BONDS	General Obligation Bonds
HD Bus	Heavy Duty Bus
IBRCP	Innovative Bridge Research & Construction Program
Iowa DOT	Iowa Department of Transportation
ITS	Intelligent Transportation Systems
ISTEA	Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991
JARC	Job Access/Reverse Commute
LD Bus	Light Duty Bus
LOST	Local Option Sales Tax
LRTP	Long Range Transportation Plan
NHS	National Highway System
RISE	Revitalize Iowa's Sound Economy (IOWA DOT Grant/Loan Program)
ROW	Right of Way
RPA	Regional Planning Affiliation
RUTF	Road Use Tax Fund
Sec 3	FTA discretionary capital funds
Sec 18	FTA operating, capital, and planning funds
Sec 16	FTA capital and operating funds for non-profits
STBG	Surface Transportation Block Grant Program
STA	State Transit Assistance

STP	Surface Transportation Program
ТА	Transportation Alternative
TAC	Technical Advisory Committee
TANF	Temporary Assistance for Needy Families
TEA-21	Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century
TIP	Transportation Improvement Program
TPWP	Transportation Planning Work Program

#### Introduction

The Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the East Central Intergovernmental Association Regional Planning Affiliation (RPA) is a four-year listing of federal aid eligible transportation projects selected by the various governmental agencies and by Regional Planning Affiliation (RPA) Policy Board for implementation. All transportation projects in the RPA Region using federal funds are to be included in the TIP. The TIP is prepared annually for the RPA Policy Board with input from the Technical Advisory Committee, Iowa Department of Transportation, and the general public. Prioritization of projects within a project year is determined by the implementing agencies. Prioritization of Long Range Transportation Plan projects on a year-to-year basis will be done by the RPA Policy Board in cooperation with the implementing agency.

#### **RPA Membership and Governance**

The East Central Intergovernmental Association Regional Planning Affiliation (RPA) membership is made up of 56 local cities and counties in a four-county area in eastern Iowa. All member jurisdictions have signed a 28E agreement to conduct transportation planning and the programming of federal transportation funds as determined by the Iowa Department of Transportation. The Dubuque Metropolitan Area Transportation Study (DMATS) area in greater Dubuque is excluded from the RPA because it is a separate transportation planning area. The DMATS region includes the Cities of Dubuque, Asbury, Sageville, Peosta, Centralia and Durango, as well as portions of Dubuque County. The ECIA RPA is staffed by the East Central Intergovernmental Association, which has no formal membership on either the RPA Policy Board or the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC). At their request, the Iowa Department of Transportation, Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) are only advisory members of the RPA Policy Board and Tech advisory committee.

The 56-member local jurisdictions include four counties and four urban areas (population greater than 5,000). The four urban areas are the Cities of Clinton, DeWitt, Manchester, and Maquoketa. The total members of the ECIA RPA include:

<u>CLINTON</u>	<b>DELAWARE</b>	<u>DUBUQUE</u>	JACKSON
Clinton County	Delaware County	Dubuque County	Jackson County
Andover	Colesburg	Balltown	Andrew
Calamus	Delaware	Bankston	Baldwin
Camanche	Delhi	Bernard	Bellevue
Charlotte	Dundee	Cascade	LaMotte
Clinton	Earlville	Dyersville	Maquoketa
Delmar	Edgewood	Epworth	Miles
DeWitt	Greeley	Farley	Monmouth
Goose Lake	Hopkinton	Graf	Preston
Grand Mound	Manchester	Holy Cross	St. Donatus
Lost Nation	Masonville	Luxemburg	Sabula
Low Moor	Ryan	New Vienna	Spragueville
Toronto		Rickardsville	Springbrook
Welton		Sherrill	
Wheatland		Worthington	
		Zwingle	

#### MAP of Regional Planning Affiliation (RPA8)



#### **RPA Organization and Management**

The East Central Intergovernmental Association Regional Planning Affiliation was established on February 2, 1994 through the adoption of Articles of Agreement by the participating organizations in the region. It is one of the 18 RPA's in the state that were formed as part of the Iowa Department of Transportation's implementation of Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991 (ISTEA), particularly in regard to meeting the statewide planning and programming aspects of the legislation.

This cooperative, comprehensive, and continuing transportation planning process was established by an agreement between the state and local governments in compliance with the provisions of the ISTEA. The planning process is implemented through a committee structure. Committees forward their recommendations to the Policy Board for consideration and final action. At this time, the only standing committee is the Technical Advisory Committee, which was formed by the Policy Board at its first meeting on February 2, 1994. The Policy Board and Technical Advisory Committee's responsibilities are summarized below:

#### **RPA Policy Board**

The ECIA RPA is governed by a Board of twelve elected officials from the member jurisdictions. The Policy Board is responsible for establishing overall policy, making decisions related to transportation planning and project funding priorities, and monitoring the direction of studies of transportation conditions in the region. There is a Board member from each of the four counties, and a Board member from each of the four large urban areas. The remaining four Board members are from a non-urban city in each of the four counties which are elected by caucus every two years.

#### **RPA Policy Board:**

Clinton County		
Erin George (Supervisor) Clinton County	Scott Maddasion (Chair) City of Clinton Steve Hasenmiller (Mayor, City of DeWitt)	<b>Andrew Kida (City Administrator)</b> <i>City of Camanche</i>
Delaware County	(mayor, City of Demili)	
Jeff Madlom (Supervisor)	Connie Behnken	Linda Gaul
Delaware County	(Mayor, City of Manchester)	Delaware County
Dubuque County		
Harley Pothoff (Supervisor)	Nin Flagal (Supervisor)	Mary Ann Knapp
	RTA	City of Rickardsville

Jackson County		
Don Schwenker (Supervisor)	<b>Tom Messerli</b> (Mayor) <i>City of Maquoketa</i>	Kelley Brown Jackson County Economic Alliance
Ex officio (non-voting members)		
Carrie Butler	Garrett Pedersen	Timothy Marshall
FTA Reg. VII	Iowa DOT	FHWA, Iowa Div.
(Proxy Jared Austin)	(Proxy Hector Torres- Cacho)	(Proxy Sean Litteral)
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# **RPA 8 Technical Advisory Committee:**

The Technical Advisory Committee consists of professional staff persons from the RPA member jurisdictions. The Technical Committee reviews, studies, and makes recommendations to the Policy Board related to technical issues affecting spending and study priorities.

COUNTIES	URBAN AREAS	Transit				
	Clinton County					
Todd Kinney, Chair	Jason Craft	Randy Zobrist				
County Engineer	City Engineer, Clinton	Executive Director, River Bend				
	Steve Lindner	Dennis Hart				
	Director, MTA					
Delaware (	Delaware County Timothy J. Vick, Vice					
Rafe Koopman						
County Engineer						
Dubuque (	Stacie Scott / Gail Kuhle					
Russell Weber		Managers, RTA				
County Engineer						
Jackson C	ounty					
Todd Kinney	Josh Boldt					
County Engineer	City Manager, Maquoketa					
	Ex officio (non-voting members)					
Hector Torres-Cacho, Iowa DOT	Sean Litteral	Jared Austin, FTA Reg.VII				
District Planner, District 6	FHWA Iowa Division	Community Planner				
<b>Brent Paulsen, Program Manager</b> <i>Office of Public Transit, Iowa DOT</i>						

# **RPA Overall Goal**

The Goal of the ECIA Regional Planning Affiliation is to further develop the transportation system with a vision toward improving safety, promoting economic development and improving the quality of life within the RPA Region with consideration being given to the various levels of political sub-divisions and to alternative forms of transportation such as transit, bicycles, and pedestrians.

#### Major Projects and Concerns within the RPA Region

- 1. To improve U.S. 30 to 4 lanes from DeWitt west to Mount Vernon. This entire route is now shown in the state's long-range plan as a 4-lane roadway.
- 2. Mississippi River Trail.
- 3. Freight movement through the region.

#### **Annual Transportation Improvement Program**

RPA staff, is required to develop a transportation improvement program for the Regional Planning Affiliation 8 (RPA 8) and is further required to provide citizens, affected public agencies, representatives of transportation agency employees, other affected employee representatives, private providers of transportation, and other interested parties with a reasonable opportunity to comment on the proposed program during the process.

The TIP is to have a listing of projects that are scheduled to be carried out within a 4-year period of when they were initially adopted into the RPA 8 TIP. The TIP will include a financial explanation of the improvement projects that detail how each will be implemented as well as an indication of what public and private resources can be expected to be made available to complete the transportation improvement.

Before the RPA 8 Policy Committee can approve any transportation improvement, it will provide citizens, affected public agencies, representatives of transportation agency employees, private

providers of transportation, and other interested parties with reasonable notice of and an opportunity to comment on the proposed improvement.

The TIP Process will include the following steps:

- RPA 8 staff will start developing the TIP in month of February following rules and regulations adopted by the Iowa DOT.
- After the draft TIP is finished, it will be released for a 30-day public review process in June. RPA 8 staff will inform the public of the draft TIP's availability by sending notice to the organizations on the RPA 8 public participation process list and by publishing legal notices in local newspapers and ECIA website. Theses notices will be printed 4 -20 days before the scheduled meeting.
- The public hearing will be held with the RPA 8 Policy Board meeting in June. The meeting will be opened for public input during the process.
- After the final TIP is finished, it will be released for a 30-day public review process in July. RPA staff will inform the public of the final TIP's availability by sending notice to the organizations on the RPA 8 public participation process list and by publishing legal notices in local newspapers and ECIA website. Theses notices will be published 4 -20 days before the scheduled meeting.
- A public hearing is set for June 26, 2025, at East Central Intergovernmental Association (ECIA), 7600 Commerce Park, Dubuque, Iowa. Its purpose is to receive comments on the FY 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for the RPA 8 Area and to satisfy the Program of Projects (POP) public participation requirements of Regional Transit Authority 8 (RTA 8) and the City of Clinton, Municipal Transit Administration. Comments will be accepted through June 19, 2025. TIP information is available by contacting Chandra Ravada at (563)-556- 4166. Persons requiring special material or presentation format should contact Mr. Ravada on or before June 25, 2025.
- The agency did not receive any significant written or oral comments on the draft TIP.

# The 2015 Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST Act) sets out the following guidelines for planning:

- Provide a transportation planning program addressing major highway, city street, county road, and transit system issues with emphasis on the requirements of the FAST ACT.
- Develop and implement a Long-Range Transportation Plan. Special emphasis should be placed on mainstreaming safety and maintenance of existing system in the Long-Range Transportation Plan

and in the planning processes, which will result from the implementation of that plan.

- Stay current on efforts at the federal and state level to identify methods for streamlining the environmental process
- Assist local member jurisdictions and Iowa DOT in any corridor or subarea planning studies, which may be conducted.
- Provide support and technical assistance to local governments and particularly local transit agencies in the area of transportation system management.
- Develop strategies for transportation corridor preservation, road system continuity and spacing, and access control.
- Develop strategies for coordinating land use and transportation development.
- Maintenance of a program for increased citizen/public awareness and involvement in the transportation planning process. Compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act will be accomplished.
- Continuation of a transportation improvement programming process that provides for selecting and prioritizing projects based on objective planning criteria and funding capabilities.

Failure to consider any one of the areas is not reviewable in court.

Status of Transportation Improvement Projects programmed in FFY 2025

#### **RPA 8**

Project ID	Project Number	Approval	2025	2026	2027	2028	Totals
Sponsor	Location	Level					
STIP ID	Work Codes	Letting Date					

#### Earmark

35633	HDP-1415(634)71-23	Will be LET FFY 25	Total	\$40,300,000	 \$40,300,000
Clinton	In the city of Clinton, On Manufacturing Drive		Federal	\$15,000,000	\$15,000,000
25109	and Bluff Boulevard from US Highway 30 to 7th Avenue North		Aid	\$7,400,000	\$7,400,000
	Grade and Pave, PCC Pavement - Replace,	_	Regional	\$7,400,000	\$7,400,000
	Engineering - Design, Right of Way, Environmental Assessment, Outside Services Engineering		Swap		

DOT Note: This includes all work to be done under HDP-1415(634)--71-23, HDP-1415(637)--71-23, and HDP-1415(638)--71-23. HDP-1415(637)--71-23 is on Manufacturing Drive from US 30 NE 1.6 miles to College Ave. Has funding limits of DEMO- \$7,400,000 and STBG- \$1,600,000. HDP-1415(638)--71-23 is on Manufacturing Drive from College Ave NE

#### 2.2 miles to 7th Ave North. Has funding limits of DEMO- \$7,600,000; STBG- \$3,400,000; TSIP- \$500,000.

49844	HDP-1415(638)71-23		\$15,225,000	\$15,225,000																										
		FFY 25																												
Clinton	In the city of Clinton, On 4TH AVE N, from	10/21/2025	Federal	\$7,600,000	\$7,600,000																									
	College Avenue 2.2 miles to 7th Avenue North	-   			Aid	\$4,375,000	\$4,375,000																							
	PCC Pavement - Grade and Replace										Regional	\$4,375,000	\$4,375,000																	
			Swap																											
48370	HDP-1855()3C-23	FHWA Approved	Total	\$4,400,000	\$4,400,000																									
De Witt	In the city of De Witt, 3,000 ft to the East of		Federal	\$3,400,000	\$3,400,000																									
25037	Industrial St to 300th Ave.300th Ave/Industrial S		Moved to FFY 26	Industrial St to 300th Ave.300th Ave/Industrial St to US 30. Aid Regional	Moved to FFY 2	Moved to FFY 26	Moved to FFY 26	Moved to FFY 26	Moved to FFY 20	Moved to FFY 2	Moved to FFY 20	Moved to FFY 26	Moved to FFY 20	Aid																
	Grade and Pave		Swap																											

#### HBP

52888	BHOS-C028(105)5N-28	Authorized	Total	\$250,000		\$250,000
Delaware County	On W 69, Over SANDHAGEN CREEK, S28	1/22/2025	Federal	\$250,000		\$250,000
25437	T90 R06	_	Aid		 	
	Bridge Deck Overlay		Regional			
			Swap			
53253	BHS-C023(140)63-23	Authorized	Total	\$350,000	 	\$350,000

STIP ID	Work Codes	Letting Date							
Sponsor	Location	Level							
Project ID	Project Number	Approval		2025	2026	2027	2028	Totals	
			Swap						
	Bridge Replacement - Other		Regional	\$300,000				\$300,000	
25127	MILL CREEK, S8 T81 R06E		Aid						
Clinton	In the city of Clinton, On F 14, Over LITTLE	3/18/2025	Federal	\$1,200,000				\$1,200,000	
52905	BRM-1415(642)8N-23	Authorized	Total	\$1,750,000				\$1,750,000	
			Swap						
			Regional	\$70,000				\$70,000	
25189	Bridge Deck Overlay	2/18/2025		Aid					
Clinton County	On Y 70, Over AMES CREEK, S5 T81 R04E		Federal	\$280,000				\$280,000	

#### HBP

53213	BROS-5160(601)8J-49	Will be LET FFY 25	Total	\$700,000	 \$700,000
Jackson County	In the city of Monmouth, Beers Creek, S20 T84	9/16/2025	Federal	\$700,000	\$700,000
25551	R1		Aid		
	Bridge Replacement		Regional		
			Swap		
47215	BROS-C023(130)5F-23	Authorized	Total	\$2,023,815	\$2,023,815
Clinton County	On 235th Street over Wapsi backwater,	12/17/2024	Federal	\$2,023,815	 \$2,023,815
25190	S12,T81,R1		Aid		 
	Bridge Replacement		Regional		
			Swap		
53032	BROS-C028(104)5F-28	Authorized	Total	\$550,000	 \$550,000
Delaware County	On X 21, Over SMALL STREAM, from 240th St	9/17/2024	Federal	\$550,000	\$550,000
25438	S 0.6 miles to Bridge S15 T88 R05		Aid		 
	Bridge Replacement		Regional		
			Swap		
51004	BROS-C031(119)5F-31		Total	\$600,000	\$600,000
		Authorized			
Dubuque County	On BENNETTVILLE RD, Over BUNCOMBE CREEK, S21 T87 R02E	7/16/2024	Federal	\$600,000	 \$600,000
25156			Aid		 
	Bridge Replacement		Regional		
			Swap		

51005	BROS-C031(122)5F-31	Will be let in FFY 26	Total	\$525,000				\$525,000
Dubuque County	On HANNAH RD, Over MIDDLE FORK LITTLE	11/18/2025	Federal	\$525,000				\$525,000
25155	MAQUOKETA RIVER, S2 T89 R01		Aid					
	Bridge Replacement		Regional					
			Swap					
39021	BROS-C049(93)5F-49	Authorized	Total	\$910,000				\$910,000
Jackson County	On 362nd Avenue (Z15), Over Duck creek, S25	5/20/2025	Federal	\$910,000				\$910,000
25550	T86 R4E		Aid					
	Bridge Replacement		Regional					
			Swap					
Project ID	Project Number	Approval		2025	2026	2027	2028	Totals
Sponsor	Location	Level						
STIP ID	Work Codes	Letting Date						

#### ILL

48369	ILL-2160()93-31	Project	Total	\$19,900,000		\$19,900,000
		moved to FFY 26		-		
Dyersville	In the city of Dyersville, On 1ST ST SW,		Federal			
25036	Over SMALL STREAM		Aid			
	Pavement Widening, Bridge New		Regional			
			Swap			

#### PRF

37915	BRFN-030()39-23	FHWA Approved	Total	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$100,000
Iowa Department of Transportation	US 30: Mississippi River in Clinton (State Share)		Federal Aid					
25262	Bridge Cleaning		Regional					
			Swap					
37952	BRFN-052()39-49	FHWA Approved	Total	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$100,000
Iowa Department of Transportation	US 52: Mississippi River in Sabula (State Share)		Federal Aid					
25258	Bridge Cleaning		Regional					
			Swap					

48457	BRFN-061()39-49	FHWA Approved	Total	\$603,000				\$603,000
Iowa Department of Transportation	US 61: Tarecod Creek 1.4 mi N of Co Rd E17 (NB)		Federal Aid					
25263	Bridge Deck Overlay		Regional					
			Swap					
37917	BRFN-136()39-23	FHWA Approved	Total	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$160,000
Iowa Department of Transportation	IA 136: Mississippi River in Clinton (State Share)		Federal Aid					
25265	Bridge Cleaning		Regional					
			Swap					
55748	NHSN-030()2R-23	FHWA Approved	Total	\$115,000				\$115,000
Iowa Department of Transportation	US 30: Mitigation - Wapsi River and Calamus Drainage Ditch		Federal Aid					
25266	Wetland Mitigation		Regional					
			Swap					
54584	NHSN-052()2R-31	FHWA Approved	Total	\$162,000				\$162,000
lowa Department of	IA 3: Mitigation for Section 1		Federal					
Transportation	Wetland Mitigation		Aid					
25371			Regional					
			Swap					

Project ID	Project Number	Approval	2025	2026	2027	2028	Totals
Sponsor	Location	Level					
STIP ID	Work Codes	Letting Date					

#### PRF

54693	STPN-052()2J-49	FHWA Approved	Total	\$125,000		\$125,000
Iowa Department of Transportation	US 52: Mitigation - Mississippi River Bridge to N of Sabula		Federal Aid		 	
25257	Wetland Mitigation		Regional			
			Swap			
55627	STPN-136()2J-23	FHWA Approved	Total	\$226,000		\$226,000
Iowa Department of Transportation	IA 136: Mitigation - Clinton Co IA 136 Bridge Projects		Federal Aid		 	
25260	Wetland Mitigation		Regional			
			Swap			

55628	STPN-136()2J-23	FHWA Approved	Total	\$75,000		 \$75,000
Iowa Department of Transportation	IA 136: Drainage Ditch just W of N 10th St in Clinton		Federal Aid			 
25261	Pave		Regional			
			Swap			

# STBG

48442	BRF-136()38-23	Authorized	Total	\$4,000,000				\$4,000,000
lowa Department of	IA 136: Mississippi River in Clinton (State		Federal	\$3,200,000				\$3,200,000
Transportation	Share)		Aid					
25259	Bridge Deck Overlay		Regional					
			Swap					
478	RGPL-PA08(RTP)ST-00	Authorized	Total	\$86,969	\$86,969	\$86,969	\$86,969	\$347,876
RPA 8	On ECIA Transportation Planning		Federal	\$69,575	\$69,575	\$69,575	\$69,575	\$278,300
25006	Trans Planning		Aid	\$69,575	\$69,575			\$139,150
			Regional					
			Swap					
57603	STP-136-1(115)2C-23	Authorized	Total	\$5,000,000				\$5,000,000
Iowa Department of	IA 136: Co Rd Z50 in Clinton to W of		Federal	\$4,000,000				\$4,000,000
Transportation	Charlotte		Aid					
25694	HMA Resurfacing with Milling		Regional					
			Swap					
35330	STP-S-C049(94)5E-49	Authorized	Total	\$2,020,000				\$2,020,000
Jackson County	On Z 34, from Preston N 4.6 miles to	12/17/2024	Federal	\$1,350,000 -				\$1,350,000
25549	Maquoketa River		Aid	\$1,350,000				\$1,350,000
	HMA Pavement - Replace		Regional	\$400,000				\$400,000
			Swap					

Project ID	Project Number	Approval	202	2026	2027	2028	Totals
Sponsor	Location	Level					
STIP ID	Work Codes	Letting Date					

#### STBG

49845	STP-U-PA08()70-23	Authorized	Total	\$12,500	\$25,000			\$37,500
RPA 8	On Manufacturing Drive and Bluff Boulevard,		Federal	\$10,000	\$20,000			\$30,000
25059	From US 30 to 7th Ave N		Aid	\$10,000	\$20,000			\$30,000
	Trans Planning		Regional					
			Swap					
PA Note: Fun	ding was approved for RPA 8 to help the City of Clinton	administer RAISE	grant.	ł		I	ł	

#### SWAP-HSIP

44699	HSIP-SWAP-C023(141)FJ-23	Authorized	Total	\$2,825,000	\$2,825,000
Clinton County	On E-63 from Y-44 to Old Hwy 61	1/22/2025	Federal		 
	HMA Resurfacing/Cold-in-Place Recycling		Aid		 
			Regional	\$400,000	\$400,000
			Swap		
55114	HSIP-SWAP-C031(123)FJ-31	Authorized	Total	\$800,000	 \$800,000
Dubuque County	Holy Cross Rd (Y13) from Farley to New Vienna Rd	12/17/2024	Federal Aid		 
	HMA Paved Shoulder - New		Regional	\$500,000	\$500,000
			Swap		

#### SWAP-STBG

54748	STBG-SWAP-1147()SG-31	Authorized	Total	\$120,000	 \$120,000
Cascade	In the city of Cascade, On 6TH AVE NW, from		Federal		
	City limits SE to 5th Ave SW		Aid	\$120,000	\$120,000
	PCC Pavement - Replace		Regional	\$120,000	\$120,000
			Swap		
54770	STBG-SWAP-2100()SG-31	Authorized	Total	\$90,000	\$90,000
Luxemburg	In the city of Dubuque, On IA 3 E		Federal		
	Work Not Assigned		Aid	\$90,000	 \$90,000
			Regional	\$90,000	\$90,000
			Swap		
52714	STBG-SWAP-3032()SG-23	Moved to FFY 28	Total	\$492,000	 \$492,000

Grand Mound	In the city of Grand Mound, On East St, from	Federal		
	Sunnyside Street to North City Limit	Aid	\$250,000	\$250,000
	Pave		\$250,000	\$250,000
		Regional		
		Swap		

Project ID	Project Number	Approval	2025	2026	2027	2028	Totals
Sponsor	Location	Level					
STIP ID	Work Codes	Letting Date					

#### SWAP-STBG

55067	STBG-SWAP-4742(624)SG-49	Authorized	Total	\$449,550	\$449,550
Maquoketa	In the city of Maquoketa, On S Main St/Summit	2/18/2025	Federal Aid		 
	St Intersection Grade and Pave	_	Regional	\$159,550	\$159,550
				\$159,550	\$159,550
			Swap		

#### TAP

55826	TAP-R-2405()8T-31	Moved to FFY 26	Total	\$233,953		\$233,953
Epworth	In the city of Epworth, from Frontage Rd SE to		Federal Aid	\$179,162		\$179,162
25606	south of US 20 along S. Center Avenue/Placid Road		Regional	\$179,162		\$179,162
	Ped/Bike Grade & amp; Pave		Swap			
52796	TAP-R-4682(629)8T-28	Moved to FFY 26	Total	\$338,203		\$338,203
Mancheste	In the city of Manchester, Grand Ave Trl ext, begin	12/16/2025	Federal Aid	\$250,000		\$250,000
25073	at E Fairview Dr, south to E Acers St		Regional	\$250,000		\$250,000
	Grade and Pave		Swap			
52794	TAP-U-1415(641)8I-23	Will be Authorized in FFY 25	Total	\$790,399		\$790,399
Clinton	In the city of Clinton, Trail on 13TH ST, from 4th	9/16/2025	Federal Aid	\$250,000		\$250,000
25118	1.76 miles to N 14th S, then south approx. 930LF on N 14th.		Regional	\$250,000		\$250,000
	Grade and Pave		Swap			
52795	TAP-U-1855(619)8I-23	Authorized	Total	\$420,000		\$420,000
De Witt	In the city of De Witt, Trail: Along 11th St from	11/19/2024	Federal Aid	\$250,000		\$250,000
25605	Westbreak Dk to Westbreak Dr. parth to 12th St		Regional	\$250,000		\$250,000
	Grade and Pave		Swap			

RPA 8 Transportation Improvement Program FFY 2026-2029



# **RPA 8 Final FY 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program Map**

RPA 8 Transportation Improvement Program FFY 2026-2029

# **Operations & Maintenance (O&M)**

Current federal transportation law and regulations require that metropolitan transportation improvement programs include a financial plan that demonstrates how the TIP can be implemented; indicates resources from public and private sources that can be reasonably expected to be available to carry out the program. The process for demonstrating constraint of the TIP document is done by present forecasting revenues and programmed construction costs while considering the funding necessary to operate and maintain the existing federal aid highway system.

The anticipated available revenues and costs to implement the FFY 2026–2029 TIP are developed using City Street finance reports, County secondary road Operation & Maintenance reports, Iowa DOT Operation & Maintenance and funding reports provided by the Iowa DOT.

The RPA 8 Estimates of available revenue does include all sources of funds utilized to implement the construction projects programmed in the TIP. The IADOT has a set process to generate revenue estimates and these estimates are used in IADOT programming and does provide an assurance that all IADOT projects in RPA 8 TIP will be fiscally constrained.

The operations and maintenance costs within the RPA 8 area are analyzed into the following:

- O&M Costs on Federal-Aid Routes for Member Agencies
- Future projections of O&M Costs on Federal-Aid Routes for Member Agencies
- IADOT O&M Expenditures on Primary System
- Member Agencies nonfederal aid revenues
- Member Agencies nonfederal aid revenues projections

#### O&M Costs on Federal-Aid Routes for Member Agencies

The cities and counties report annually to IADOT on the revenues, operations and maintenance. The data from these reports are used to generate annual operating and maintenance costs. The O&M costs of members agencies to keep the system intact. Table below provides members annual nonfederal aid revenue for FY 2024.

RPA 8 Members	On System Miles	Off System Miles	Per On Sys	Total Roadway Operations	Total Maintenance	Total Operations on Fed-Aid Routes	Total Maintenance on Fed-Aid Routes
CLINTON	39	119.57	24.59%	\$3,821,587	\$12,197	\$939,912	\$3,000
DEWITT	6.7	31.29	17.64%	\$1,032,287	\$229,204	\$182,104	\$40,434
MANCHESTER	9.08	28.9	23.91%	\$890,437	\$196,631	\$212,880	\$47,009
MAQUOKETA	9.19	27.83	24.82%	\$1,889,833	\$12,947	\$469,140	\$3,214
CLINTON COUNTY	341.26	670.56	33.73%	\$2,993,589	\$6,214,824	\$1,009,670	\$2,096,120
DELAWARE COUNTY	295.12	614.19	32.45%	\$3,251,350	\$5,138,815	\$1,055,223	\$1,667,799
DUBUQUE COUNTY	303.10	467.83	39.32%	\$5,127,749	\$4,978,212	\$2,016,029	\$1,957,237
JACKSON COUNTY	345.20	492.23	41.22%	\$2,748,336	\$4,894,752	\$1,132,893	\$2,017,668
TOTAL	1,348.64	2,452.39	35.48%	\$21,755,168	\$21,677,582	\$7,017,851	\$7,832,481

**O&M** Costs on Federal-Aid Routes for Member Agencies

Source: 2024 City Street Finance Report - O&M costs, 2024 County Secondary Road O&M Data

# Future projections of Operation Costs on Federal-Aid Routes for Member Agencies

The future projections of Operation costs on Federal-Aid Routes for Member Agencies are projected to Fiscal Year (FY) 2029 using 4% inflation for each year using FY 2024 operation costs as base year. Table below provides the future projections of Operation Costs on Federal Aid Routes for Member agencies.

RPA 8 Members	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029
CLINTON	\$939,912	\$977,509	\$1,016,609	\$1,057,274	\$1,099,564	\$1,143,547
DEWITT	\$182,104	\$189,389	\$196,964	\$204,843	\$213,036	\$221,558
MANCHESTER	\$212,880	\$221,395	\$230,251	\$239,461	\$249,039	\$259,001
MAQUOKETA	\$469,140	\$487,906	\$507,422	\$527,719	\$548,828	\$570,781
CLINTON COUNTY	\$1,009,670	\$1,050,057	\$1,092,059	\$1,135,741	\$1,181,171	\$1,228,418
DELAWARE COUNTY	\$1,055,223	\$1,097,432	\$1,141,329	\$1,186,982	\$1,234,462	\$1,283,840
DUBUQUE COUNTY	\$2,016,029	\$2,096,670	\$2,180,537	\$2,267,758	\$2,358,469	\$2,452,808
JACKSON COUNTY	\$1,132,893	\$1,178,209	\$1,225,337	\$1,274,351	\$1,325,325	\$1,378,338
TOTAL	\$7,017,851	\$7,298,565	\$7,590,508	\$7,894,128	\$8,209,893	\$8,538,289

Future Projections of Operation Costs on Federal Aid Routes for Member agencies

Source: RPA 8

# Future projections of Maintenance Costs on Federal-Aid Routes for Member Agencies

The future projections of Maintenance costs on Federal-Aid Routes for Member Agencies are projected to Fiscal Year (FY) 2029 using 4% inflation for each year using FY 2024 operation costs as base year. Table below provides the future projections of Maintenance Costs on Federal Aid Routes for Member agencies.

RPA 8 Members	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029
CLINTON	\$3,000	\$3,120	\$3,245	\$3,374	\$3,509	\$3,650
DEWITT	\$40,434	\$42,051	\$43,733	\$45,482	\$47,302	\$49,194
MANCHESTER	\$47,009	\$48,890	\$50,845	\$52,879	\$54,994	\$57,194
MAQUOKETA	\$3,214	\$3,343	\$3,476	\$3,615	\$3,760	\$3,910
CLINTON COUNTY	\$2,096,120	\$2,179,965	\$2,267,163	\$2,357,850	\$2,452,164	\$2,550,250
DELAWARE COUNTY	\$1,667,799	\$1,734,511	\$1,803,891	\$1,876,047	\$1,951,089	\$2,029,132
DUBUQUE COUNTY	\$1,957,237	\$2,035,526	\$2,116,948	\$2,201,625	\$2,289,690	\$2,381,278
JACKSON COUNTY	\$2,017,668	\$2,098,375	\$2,182,310	\$2,269,602	\$2,360,386	\$2,454,802
TOTAL	\$7,832,481	\$8,145,780	\$8,471,611	\$8,810,475	\$9,162,894	\$9,529,410

Future Projections of Maintenance Costs on Federal Aid Routes for Member agencies

Source: RPA 8

# Member Agencies nonfederal aid revenues

The cities and counties report annual to IADOT on the revenues, operations and maintenance. The data from these reports are used to generate annual nonfederal aid revenues. The nonfederal aid revenue provides the other source of funding that RPA 8 members use to operate and maintain the system. Table below provides members annual nonfederal aid revenue for FY 2024.

### Member Agencies nonfederal aid revenues

RPA 8 Members (Cities)	General Fund (001)	Road Use (110)	Other (LOST, Benefits, TIF Etc)	Service Debt (200)	Capital Projects (300)	Utilities (600 & Up)	Total
CLINTON	\$0	\$3,776,875	\$0	\$3,052,449	\$3,500,000	\$0	\$10,329,324
DEWITT	\$0	\$786,032	\$657,831	\$958,008	\$4,886,191	\$150,561	\$7,438,623
MANCHESTER	\$215,634	\$812,514	\$1,373,714	\$510,012	\$1,172,750	\$0	\$4,084,624
MAQUOKETA	\$755,992	\$870,865	\$147,952	\$343,557	\$4,103,318	\$0	\$6,221,684
TOTAL	\$971,626	\$6,246,286	\$2,179,497	\$4,864,026	\$13,662,259	\$150,561	\$28,074,255

Source: IADOT

RPA 8 Members (Counties)	CLINTON	DELAWARE	DUBUQUE	JACKSON
Property Tax	\$2,370,135	\$3,120,453	\$4,856,047	\$1,400,000
L.O.S.T.	\$1,238,567	\$1,479,669	\$5,177,066	\$1,018,422
RUTF	\$4,923,317	\$4,561,940	\$5,723,511	\$4,246,898
FM xfr Revenue	\$73,801	\$49,896	\$112,260	\$90,136
Time-21 Funds	\$560,626	\$515,875	\$655,751	\$487,102
RISE Runds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
BR Funds	\$0	\$0	\$330,369	\$0
FM Transfer	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$509,467
Tx Rfds/Crdts	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Misc. Recs.	\$1,835,551	\$4,222	\$73,178	\$12,353
Total	\$11,001,998	\$9,732,054	\$16,928,182	\$7,764,379

Source: IADOT

#### Member Agencies nonfederal aid revenues projections

The future projections of nonfederal aid revenues projections for Member Agencies are projected to Fiscal Year (FY) 2028 using 0% inflation for each year using FY 2023 operation costs as base year. Table below provides the future nonfederal aid revenues projections for Member agencies.

<b>RPA 8 Members</b>	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029
CLINTON	\$10,329,324	\$10,329,324	\$10,329,324	\$10,329,324	\$10,329,324	\$10,329,324
DEWITT	\$7,438,623	\$7,438,623	\$7,438,623	\$7,438,623	\$7,438,623	\$7,438,623
MANCHESTER	\$4,084,624	\$4,084,624	\$4,084,624	\$4,084,624	\$4,084,624	\$4,084,624
MAQUOKETA	\$6,221,684	\$6,221,684	\$6,221,684	\$6,221,684	\$6,221,684	\$6,221,684
CLINTON CO	\$11,001,998	\$11,001,998	\$11,001,998	\$11,001,998	\$11,001,998	\$11,001,998
DELAWARE CO	\$9,732,054	\$9,732,054	\$9,732,054	\$9,732,054	\$9,732,054	\$9,732,054
DUBUQUE CO	\$16,928,182	\$16,928,182	\$16,928,182	\$16,928,182	\$16,928,182	\$16,928,182
JACKSON CO	\$7,764,379	\$7,764,379	\$7,764,379	\$7,764,379	\$7,764,379	\$7,764,379
TOTAL	\$73,500,868	\$73,500,868	\$73,500,868	\$73,500,868	\$73,500,868	\$73,500,868

Future nonfederal aid revenues projections for Member agencies

#### Source: RPA 8

#### COMPARISONS ON OPERATION & MAINTENANCE AND REVENUES

The O&M projections and revenue projections for RPA 8 members are compared to analyses if sufficient funds are available for actives other than Operation & Maintenance. Table below provides the comparisons of O&M Projections and Revenue projections.

#### **RPA 8** Members Comparison between O&M costs and Revenues

RPA 8 Members	2026	2027	2028	2029
Revenues	\$73,500,868	\$73,500,868	\$73,500,868	\$73,500,868
O&M Projections	\$14,850,332	\$15,444,345	\$16,062,119	\$16,704,604
Source: RPA 8	+ ))	+ - ) )	+ -) ) -	+ -) )-

Source: RPA 8

#### FINANACE

The IADOT requires the RPA 8 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) be fiscally constrained. One of the most challenging requirements of the long-range planning and programming process is inclusion of financial planning. The financial element of the Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) and the TIP ensure that the identified projects are prioritized according to reasonably expected financial resources.

#### ANNUAL ALLOCATION FEDERAL PROGRAMS

The RPA 8 receives Surface Transportation Block Grants (STBG), and Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) funds from IADOT.

#### Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Program

This program is designed to address specific issues identified by Congress and provides flexible funding for projects to preserve or improve the condition/performance of transportation facilities, including any federal-aid highways or public road bridges. STBG funding may be utilized on:

- Roadway projects on federal-aid routes
- Bridge projects on any public road
- Transit capital improvements
- TAP eligible activities
- Planning activities

#### IADOT STBG- Swap funds

Iowa targets STBG funding to each of its 27 MPOs and RPAs on an annual basis for programming based on regional priorities. Iowa has implemented a Swap program that allows MPOs and RPAs, at their discretion, to swap targeted federal STBG funding for state Primary Road Fund dollars.

Iowa also targets a portion of its STBG funding directly to counties for use on county bridge projects. Iowa's swap program allows counties, at their discretion, to swap federal STBG funding for state Primary Road Fund dollars. These funds can be used on either on-system or off-system bridges, however off-system bridge investments must be continued to maintain the ability to transfer the federal STBG set-aside for off-system bridges.

The Iowa DOT does not require matching funds be utilized on Swap projects. MPOs and RPAs can require that project applicants provide matching funds by awarding funding in an amount less than the estimated total project cost, however, the Iowa DOT will not monitor or reimburse those MPO/RPA specific matching requirements.

STBG-Swap funding has expended eligibilities over STBG funding and can be awarded on roads with a federal functional classification of Minor Collector or higher in rural areas, all Farm-to-Market routes, and Collector or higher in urban areas. MPOs and RPAs can be more restrictive in their project selection process regarding system eligibility.

#### **Change to Federal Aid SWAP**

With the passage of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), the increase in new federal funds has impacted Iowa Department of Transportation's ability to provide SWAP-STBG funds for Local Public Agency (LPA) projects. For Counties, any projects that had been programmed for SWAP-STBG and County Highway Bridge (HBP) let in January 2023 or later must utilize federal aid and not be exchanged for state funds. For cities, any projects that has been programmed for SWAP under STBG through RPA will remain federal-aid SWAP.

# **Adopted STBG Fund Distribution System**

At the October 19, 1999 meeting, the RPA Policy Board adopted a distribution system for uncommitted STBG funds. In this system, the funds are distributed by a sub-allocation process. Each jurisdiction's share of the funds will be determined by the Census population. The cities of Clinton, Manchester, Maquoketa and Dewitt will receive a share based on the population within the incorporated limits of the city. The four counties will each receive a share based on the population of the unincorporated area plus the population of all cities in the county under 5,000 population. Jurisdictions eligible for STBG funds that do not receive a sub-allocation will have the opportunity to request funding from the RPA 8 as follows:

- 1. IA DOT is an eligible applicant for STBG-SWAP funds and can request funding.
- Cities below 5,000 population, transit agencies can compete each year through an application process for 13.74% of the STBG funds set aside by RPA Policy board (Appendix D).
- **3.** Transit agencies providing service within cities greater than 5,000 in population can request funds from the cities over 5,000 population.

Based on this distribution system, the eight eligible jurisdictions would receive the following shares of uncommitted STBG funds:

	FFY2026	FFY2027	FFY2028	FFY2029	
	Target(2)	Target(2)	Target(2)	Target(2)	
	using 2020	using 2020	using 2020	using 2020	
	census	census	census	census	
Per Capita					
Sub Allocations Before taking Funds from top	\$3,111,413	\$3,168,000	\$3,168,000	\$3,168,000	
RPA Planning by ECIA Staff	\$69,575	\$69,575	\$69,575	\$69,575	
% Small city funding	13.74%	13.74%	13.74%	13.74%	
Sub allocation amount	\$2,623,889	\$2,672,701	\$2,672,701	\$2,672,701	
Clinton County	\$420,101	\$427,916	\$427,916	\$427,916	
Delaware County	\$316,739	\$322,631	\$322,631	\$322,631	
Dubuque County	\$496,666	\$505,905	\$505,905	\$505,905	
Jackson County	\$340,553	\$346,888	\$346,888	\$346,888	
City of Clinton	\$623,866	\$635,472	\$635,472	\$635,472	
City of DeWitt	\$140,586	\$143,201	\$143,201	\$143,201	
City of Manchester	\$129,138	\$131,541	\$131,541	\$131,541	
City of Maquoketa	\$156,241	\$159,147	\$159,147	\$159,147	
Total suballocated	2,623,889	2,672,701	2,672,701	2,672,701	

All project cost is developed using year of expenditure dollars. The RPA 8 use 4% inflation rate which is determined by RPA 8 technical board for year of expenditure costs.

**RPA 8 Surface Transportation Program (STBG Funds Status from Iowa DOT** 

Federal Fiscal Year	STP Target	Target Programmed	Un- Programmed Balance
FY 2025 Q2*			\$1,347,724
Project Let but not billed		\$0	\$1,347,724
2026	\$3,180,467	\$4,193,575	\$334,616
2027	\$3,168,000	\$444,575	\$3,058,041
2028	\$3,168,000	\$4,348,211	\$1,877,830
2029	\$3,168,000	\$69,575	\$4,976,255

\*Balance has been adjusted based on project changes occurring since the most recent Qrtly report

Note: The Local STBG Swap balance numbers will not match with overall program funds numbers as STBG projects from IADOT will not be consider in RPA 8 STBG funds.

	TPMS	Project Let	FFY 2026	FFY 2027	FFY 2028	FFY 2029	TOTAL
ECIA							
RPA Planning	478		\$133,575	\$69,575	\$69,575	\$69,575	\$342,300
Clinton County							
E 50 Overlay	44694		\$1,700,000				\$1,700,000
Y-54 CIR and HMA Overlay	53250				\$800,000		\$800,000
City of Clinton							
City of DeWitt							
<b>Delaware County</b>							
D5X Paving Project	51013				\$1,720,000		\$1,720,000
Jackson County							
Y31 Rehabilitation	39019				\$1,508,636		\$1,508,636
<b>Dubuque County</b>							
Higginsport Road	37309		\$2,360,000				\$2,360,000
<b>City of Manchester</b>							
W Marion Street	57430			\$375,000			
Small City Projects							
Grand Mound	52714				\$250,000		\$250,000
Total		<b>\$0</b>	\$4,193,575	\$444,575	\$4,348,211	\$69,575	\$8,680,936

# Iowa's Transportation Alternative Program (TAP)

Iowa's Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) is a new iteration of the program that was included in, Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21), a transportation authorization act which was in effect from 2013 to 2015. The MAP-21 program redefined the former Transportation Enhancements (TE) activities and consolidated these eligibilities with the former Safe Routes to School (SRTS) program, Recreational Trails Program (RTP) and some types of projects that were previously funded through the discretionary National Scenic Byways (NSB) program which were all originally authorized under the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991 (ISTEA) and continued through two successive laws, TEA-21 and SAFETEA-LU. The most recent transportation authorization act, Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act, was enacted in 2015. This act placed further restrictions on the selection of projects for funding under the federal TAP program structure which has led Iowa to implement a modified version of the federal program. Iowa Implementation.

On September 13, 2016, the Iowa Transportation Commission endorsed continuing to allow Iowa's Transportation Management Areas (TMAs), which include the Iowa portions of the metropolitan planning

areas surrounding Davenport, Des Moines, and Council Bluffs; Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs); and Regional Planning Affiliations (RPAs) to select the vast majority of projects eligible for this program through a regionally administered selection process. Under previous transportation authorization acts and in support of the state's history of encouraging regional planning through these organizations, a majority of funding is distributed to the TMAs, MPOs, and RPAs to directly select projects locally. With the goal of distributing funding as equitably as possible across the state, the Iowa DOT retains \$1 million annually to administer a Statewide TAP program, geared toward statewide or multi-regional projects, while targeting the remaining funding to the TMAs, MPOs, and RPAs through the Local Projects TAP program.

The RPA 8 invites local jurisdictions to submit projects for TAP funds. Staff ranks the projects using a ranking process established by RPA 8 Board and will submit the project ranking list to the RPA 8 Board for their final approval (Appendix E).

Federal Fiscal Year	ТАР	Target Programmed	Un- Programmed Balance		
FY 2025 Q2*			\$555,375		
2025		\$250,000	\$305,375		
2026	\$309,289	\$429,162	\$185,502		
2027	\$319,000	\$0	\$504,502		
2028	\$319,000	\$0	\$823,502		
2029	\$319,000	\$0	\$1,142,502		
*Balance has been adjusted based on project changes occurring since the most recent Qrtly report					

**RPA 8** Transportation Alternative Program (TAP)Funds Status

**TPMS FFY2025 FFY2026 FFY2027 FFY2028 FFY2029** 13th Avenue North Bike 52794 \$250,000 Trail Epworth South Gate Trail 55826 \$179,162 Grand Avenue Trail 52796 \$250,000 Extension

\$429,162

# FEDERAL PROGRAMS

Total

Projects identified in local TIPs utilize a number of different sources of federal funding. While some FHWA funds are distributed by statutory formulas, other funds are "discretionary" (congressionally

\$250.000

**\$0** 

**\$0** 

**\$0** 

earmarked). The primary sources of FHWA funding to Iowa, which are in part used to fund local efforts, include:

**Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ)** – CMAQ provides flexible funding for transportation projects and programs tasked with helping to meet the requirements of the Clean Air Act. These projects can include those that reduce congestion and improve air quality.

**Demonstration funding (DEMO)** - Demonstration funding is a combination of different programs and sources. The FHWA administers discretionary programs through various offices representing special funding categories. An appropriation bill providing money to a discretionary program, through special congressionally directed appropriations, or through legislative acts such as the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA).

**Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP)** - This is a core federal-aid program that funds projects with the goal of achieving a significant reduction in traffic fatalities and serious injuries on public roads. Portions of these funds are set aside for use on high-risk rural roads and railway-highway crossings.

**Metropolitan Planning Program (PL).** FHWA provides funding for this program to the State of Iowa based on urbanized area population. The funds are dedicated to support transportation planning efforts in urbanized areas with a population of 50,000 or greater. For programming purposes MPOs should program only the new PL target provided by the Office of Systems Planning. Any carryover funds identified by Systems Planning need not be added to, or subtracted from, the PL target.

**National Highway Performance Program (NHPP)** - NHPP funds are available to be used on projects that improve the condition and performance of the National Highway System (NHS) including some state and U.S. highways and interstates.

**STBG Bridge Program (STBG-HBP) in Iowa** – While the Highway Bridge Program was eliminated in MAP-21 a portion of Iowa's STBG will continue to be targeted directly to counties and dedicated specifically to county bridge projects. A portion of these funds are required to be obligated on off-system bridges. The remaining funds can be used on either on or off system bridges.

**Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside Program (TA)** - The TA Set-Aside are Federal highway and transit funds under the Surface Transportation Program (STP) for community based "nontraditional" projects designed to strengthen the cultural, aesthetic, and environmental aspects of the nation's intermodal transportation system. The TA Set-Aside Program continues to provide funds to build pedestrian and bicycle facilities, improve access to public transportation, create safe routes to school, preserve historic transportation structures, provide environmental mitigation, and create trail projects that serve a transportation purpose while promoting safety and mobility.

**Federal Lands and Tribal Transportation Programs (FLHP)** – The Federal Lands Transportation Program and Federal Lands Access Program provide funding for projects that improve access within, and to, federal lands. Federal Lands Access Program funding will be distributed through a grant process where a group of FHWA, Iowa DOT, and local government representatives will solicit, rank, and select projects to receive funding. The Tribal Transportation Program continues the Indian Reservation Road program and will distribute funds based on formula comprised of tribal population, road mileage, and average funding under SAFETEA-LU.

#### STATE FUNDING PROGRAMS

In addition to the distribution of Federal-aid formula funds, the Iowa Department of Transportation administers several grant programs through application processes that need to be documented in the TIP. They include the following:

**City Bridge Program-** portion of STBG funding dedicated to local bridge projects is set aside for the funding of bridge projects within cities. Eligible projects need to be classified as structurally deficient or functionally obsolete. Projects are rated and prioritized by the Office of Local Systems with awards based upon criteria identified in the application processes. Projects awarded grant funding are subject to a federal-aid obligation limitation of \$1 million. Iowa has implemented a Swap program that allows cities, at their discretion, to swap federal STBG funding for state Primary Road fund dollars.

**Highway Safety Improvement Program** – Secondary (HSIP-Secondary). This program is funded using a portion of Iowa's Highway Safety Improvement Program apportionment and funds safety projects on

rural roadways. Funding targeted towards these local projects is eligible to be swapped for Primary Road Fund dollars.

**Iowa Clean Air Attainment Program (ICAAP)-** The ICAAP funds projects that are intended to maximize emission reductions through traffic flow improvements, reduced vehicle-miles of travel, and reduced single-occupancy vehicle trips. This program utilizes \$4 million of Iowa's CMAQ apportionment. Funding targeted towards these local projects is eligible to be swapped for Primary Road Fund dollars.

**Recreational Trail Program** - This program provides federal funding for both motorized and nonmotorized trail projects and is funded through a takedown from Iowa's TAP funding. The decision to participate in this program is made annually by the Iowa Transportation Commission. For more information on the Recreations Trail Program.

**Iowa's Transportation Alternatives Program** - This program targets STBG funding to MPOs and RPAs to award to locally sponsored projects that expand travel choices and improve the motorized and non-motorized transportation experience.

# FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION FUNDING SOURCE

# ANNUAL ALLOCATION FEDERAL PROGRAMS

Clinton MTA and RTA 8 receives FTA Section 5311 FTA Section 5311- Nonurbanized Area Formula Grant Program from Transit Administration (FTA) IADOT annually.

FTA Section 5311- Nonurbanized Area Formula Grant Program: Provides FTA funding (through the States) for rural and small urban transit and paratransit assistance, capital improvements, and operating assistance. These funds are distributed to transit authorities and nonurbanized areas. Clinton MTA and RTA 8 matches these funds through local funds and statewide transit assistance (STA).

Section 5311/STA	Programmed Amounts								
Funds for Clinton MTA & RTA 8	FFY 26		FFY 27		FFY 28		FFY 29		
	Total	Fed Aid	Total	Fed Aid	Total	Fed Aid	Total	Fed Aid	
Clinton MTA	\$2,381,639	\$987,449	\$2,381,639	\$987,449	\$2,381,639	\$987,449	\$2,381,639	\$987,449	
RTA 8	\$1,029,626	\$514,813	\$1,029,626	\$514,813	\$1,029,626	\$514,813	\$1,029,626	\$514,813	
Total	\$3,411,265	\$1,502,262	\$3,411,265	\$1,502,262	\$3,411,265	\$1,502,262	\$3,411,265	\$1,502,262	

#### **CLINTON MTA & RTA 8 TRANSIT FTA Funds Status**

Source: RPA 8

#### FEDERAL PROGRAMS

Section 5339. Bus and Bus Facilities Formula Grants - These funds can finance capital projects to replace, rehabilitate, and purchase buses and related equipment and to construct bus-related facilities. In Iowa, approximately \$1,250,000 is received annually to be spent in small urban (less than 50,000 population) and regional transit systems and receives individual allocations for each large urban transit system serving populations between 50,000 and 200,000. The large urban funds are pooled since individual allocations would not allow for bus purchases on an annual basis. All funds are spent on vehicle replacements rather than on expansion vehicles or bus-related facilities and are distributed utilizing the vehicle rankings of the Public Transit Management System (PTMS). Transit systems serving populations of more than 200,000 receive direct allocations from the Federal Transit Administration and are not included in the statewide distribution through PTMS.

State Transit Assistance - Iowa devotes an amount equal to 4 percent of the fees for new registration collected on sales of motor vehicle and accessory equipment to support public transportation. Most of this money is distributed by the STA formula that is based on each transit system's performance during the previous year in terms of rides, miles, and local funding support. These formula funds are usable for support of any operating, capital, or planning expenses related to the provision of public passenger transportation.

STA special projects - Each year up to \$300,000 of the total STA funds are set aside to fund special projects. These can include grants to individual systems to support transit services that are developed in conjunction with human services agencies. Grants can also be awarded to statewide projects that improve public transit in Iowa through such means as technical training for transit system or planning agency personnel, statewide marketing campaigns, etc. This funding is also used to mirror the Rural Transit Assistance Program to support individual transit training fellowships for large urban transit staff or planners.

STA coordination special projects - Funds provide assistance with startup of new services that have been identified as needs by health, employment, or human services agencies participating in the passenger transportation planning process.

**Public Transit Infrastructure Grant -** This program is funded annually by the state legislature to fund some of the vertical infrastructure needs of Iowa's transit systems. Projects can involve new construction, reconstruction, or remodeling, but must include a vertical component to qualify. Projects are evaluated based on the anticipated benefits to transit, as well as the ability to have projects completed quickly. The infrastructure program participation in the cost of transit-related elements of a facility project is limited to 80 percent and cannot, in combination with federal funding, exceed that number. No single system can receive more than 40 percent of the available infrastructure funding in a given year.

Public Transit Equipment and Facilities Management System (PTMS) is one of the seven management systems that were mandated under the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991 (ISTEA). The PTMS committee was formed by Iowa DOT in conjunction with the Iowa Public Transit Association (IPTA), who had expressed interest in developing a "more objective" method of selecting projects to be funded out of statewide earmarked funds. The PTMS Committee developed and recommended the current PTMS prioritization process and associated policies, which were, in turn, endorsed by the transit association and adopted by the Iowa DOT.

In order to be considered under PTMS, capital projects must be programmed for Section 5339 funding in the current year of the approved STIP.

### **Overall Program Funding**

The tables below provide the program of funds by year in each funding category.

Row Labels	Sum of Y1_Total	Sum of Y1_FA	Sum of Y2_Total	Sum of Y2_FA	Sum of Y3_Total	Sum of Y3_FA	Sum of Y4_Total	Sum of Y4_FA
Earmark	\$17,300,000	\$7,600,000	\$0		\$0		\$0	
Grant Application	\$0		\$8,965,000		\$0		\$0	
HBP	\$5,600,000	\$5,470,000	\$4,305,000	\$3,830,000	\$8,078,500	\$6,792,800	\$2,740,000	\$2,740,000
ILL	\$19,900,000		\$0		\$0		\$0	
PRF	\$31,189,000		\$557,000		\$90,000		\$3,288,000	
STBG	\$17,728,969	\$12,672,775	\$25,718,969	\$20,575,175	\$16,189,969	\$10,307,811	\$3,386,969	\$2,709,575
SWAP-HSIP	\$1,000,000		\$0		\$0		\$0	
SWAP-STBG	\$0		\$0		\$492,000		\$0	
ТАР	\$572,156	\$429,162	\$0		\$0		\$0	
Grand Total	\$93,290,125	\$26,171,937	\$39,545,969	\$24,405,175	\$24,850,469	\$17,100,611	\$9,414,969	\$5,449,575
RPA 8 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Transportation Projects for FFY 2026 - 2029

# **RPA 8**

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# Earmark

49844	HDP-1415(638)71-23	Submitted	Total	\$17,300,000		\$17,300,000
Clinton	In the city of Clinton, On 4TH AVE N, from	1/21/2026	Federal	\$7,600,000		\$7,600,000
	College Avenue 2.2 miles to 7th Avenue North		Aid	\$800,000		\$800,000
	PCC Pavement - Grade and Replace		Regional	\$800,000		\$800,000
			Swap			

# Grant Application

54946	DGA-C023()XT-23	Submitted	Total	\$4,905,000	\$4,905,000
Clinton County	Over WAPSIPINICON RIVER, S11 T81 R01E		Federal		
	Bridge Replacement	_	Aid		
			Regional		
			Swap	\$4,114,672	\$4,114,672
			Grant App		
45812	DGA-C031()XT-31	Submitted	Total	\$500,000	\$500,000
Dubuque County	On FLANNAGAN RD, Over CREEK, S13 T90	4/21/2026	Federal		
	R01	_	Aid		
	Bridge Replacement		Regional		
			Swap	\$400,000	\$400,000
			Grant App		
53229	DGA-C049()XT-49	Submitted	Total	\$600,000	\$600,000
Jackson County	On 578TH AVE, Over CREEK, S35 T84 R06E		Federal		
	Bridge Replacement-CCS		Aid		
			Regional		
			Swap	\$480,000	\$480,000
			Grant App		
56101	DGA-C049()XT-49	Submitted	Total	\$2,960,000	\$2,960,000
Jackson County	On 395TH AVE, from CITY OF BELLEVUE N		Federal		
	1.7 miles		Aid		
	HMA Pavement - Full Depth Reclamation	_	Regional		
			Swap	\$2,530,000	\$2,530,000

		Grant App					
Project ID	<b>Project Number</b>	Approval Level	2026	2027	2028	2029	Totals
Sponsor		Letting Date	2020	2027	2020	2022	Totals
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HBP

55036	BHS-C023(143)63-23	Submitted	Total	\$450,000		\$450,0
Clinton County	On E 50, Over SPRING CREEK, S28 T83 R06E	1/21/2026	Federal	\$360,000		\$360,0
	Bridge Deck Overlay	-	Aid			
			Regional	\$90,000		\$90,0
			Swap			
56137	BHS-C028(107)63-28	Submitted	Total	\$200,000		\$200,0
Delaware County	On X 31, Over LIME CREEK, from 230th Ave	2/17/2026	Federal	\$160,000		\$160,0
	W 0.1 miles to project S20 T87N R04W		Aid			
	Bridge Deck Overlay		Regional	\$40,000		\$40,0
			Swap			
37337	BROS-C028(101)8J-28	Submitted	Total	\$450,000		\$450,0
Delaware County	On 130th Avenue, in NW S15 T89N R6W	11/18/2025	Federal	\$450,000		\$450,0
	Bridge Replacement	-	Aid			
			Regional			
			Swap			
51005	BROS-C031(122)5F-31	Submitted	Total	\$700,000		\$700,0
Dubuque County	On HANNAH RD, Over MIDDLE FORK	11/18/2025	Federal	\$700,000		\$700,0
	LITTLE MAQUOKETA RIVER, S2 T89 R01		Aid			
	Bridge Replacement		Regional			
			Swap			
54876	BROS-C049(96)5F-49	Submitted	Total	\$3,800,000		\$3,800,0
Jackson County	On 82ND AVE, Over MAQUOKETA RIVER, S1 T84 R01E	11/18/2025	Federal Aid	\$3,800,000		\$3,800,0
	Bridge Replacement	-	Regional			
			Swap			
57430	BHM-4682(638)8K-28	Submitted	Total		\$1,875,000	\$1,875,0
Manchester	In the city of Manchester, On W MARION ST,	-	Federal		\$1,500,000	\$1,500,0
	Over MAQUOKETA RIVER, S32 T89N R05W		Aid		\$375,000	\$375,0
	Bridge Replacement	-	Regional		\$375,000	\$375,0
			Swap			

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HBP

36148	BHS-C023()63-23	Submitted	Total	\$500,000		\$500,0
Clinton County	On Y4E, Over YANKEE RUN CREEK, S15 T81		Federal Aid	\$400,000		\$400,00
	RE1		Regional			
	Bridge Deck Overlay		Swap	\$100,000		\$100,00
44757	BROS-C028()5F-28	Submitted	Total	\$400,000		\$400,0
Delaware County	On 240th Street, Over Unnamed Stream, S8 T88N R5W		Federal Aid	\$400,000		\$400,00
	Bridge New-CCS		Regional			
	blidge New-CCS		Swap			
44755	BROS-C028()8J-28	Submitted	Total	\$300,000		\$300,00
Delaware County	On 140th Street, Over Routherford Branch, S24 T90N		Federal Aid	\$300,000		\$300,00
	R5W Bridge New-CCS		Regional			
	Bridge New-CCS		Swap			
51003	BROS-C031()5F-31	Submitted	Total	\$500,000		\$500,00
Dubuque County	On SAINT JOES PR RD, Over LYTLE CREEK,		Federal Aid	\$500,000		\$500,00
	S9 T87 R02E Bridge Replacement		Regional			
	Bridge Replacement		Swap			
56091	BROS-C049(102)8J-49	Submitted	Total	\$730,000		\$730,00
Jackson County	On 189TH ST, Over BRUSH CREEK, S2 T85N	11/17/2026	Federal Aid	\$730,000		\$730,00
	R03E Bridge Replacement-CCS		Regional			
	Bruge Replacement-CCS		Swap			
35157	BROS-C023()8J-23	Submitted	Total		\$850,000	\$850,00
Clinton County	On 250 AVE, Over BLACK CREEK, S27 T82 RE3		Federal Aid		\$850,000	\$850,0
	Bridge Replacement		Regional			
			Swap			
53034	BROS-C028()5F-28	Submitted	Total		\$350,000	\$350,00
Delaware County	On 240TH ST, Over STREAM, from 167th Ave W		Federal Aid		\$350,000	\$350,00
	0.3 miles to Bridge S18 T88 R05 Bridge		Regional			
	Replacement		Swap			

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45814	BROS-C031()8J-31	Submitted	Total	\$450,000		\$450,000
Dubuque County	On FISH POND RD, Over CREEK, S4 T88 R01		Federal	\$450,000		\$450,000
	Bridge Replacement		Aid			
			Regional			
			Swap			
55173	BRS-C049()60-49	Submitted	Total	\$6,428,500		\$6,428,500
Jackson County	On E 23Y, Over MAQUOKETA RIVER, S8 T84 R04E		Federal Aid	\$5,142,800		\$5,142,800
	Bridge Replacement		Regional	\$535,700	-	\$535,700
			Swap			
55043	BROS-C023()8J-23	Submitted	Total		\$900,000	\$900,000
Clinton County	On 135TH ST, Over DEEP CR, S19 T83 R05E		Federal		\$900,000	\$900,000
	Bridge Replacement-CCS		Aid			
			Regional			
			Swap			
53033	BROS-C028()5F-28	Submitted	Total		\$350,000	\$350,000
Delaware County	On 240TH ST, Over SMALL STREAM, from 170th Ave W 0.0 miles to Bridge S18 T88 R05		FederalAid		\$350,000	\$350,000
	Bridge Replacement		Regional			
			Swap			
50989	BROS-C031()8J-31	Submitted	Total		\$500,000	\$500,000
Dubuque County	On KOCH RD, S2 T87 R02		Federal		\$500,000	\$500,000
	Bridge Replacement		Aid			
			Regional			
			Swap			
56146	BROS-C049()8J-49	Submitted	Total		\$990,000	\$990,000
Jackson County	On 317TH AVE, Over BRUSH CREEK, S29 T85N R04E		Federal		\$990,000	\$990,000
	Bridge Replacement-CCS		Regional			
			Swap			

ILL

48369	ILL-2160()93-31	Submitted	Total	\$19,900,000				\$19,900,000
Dyersville	In the city of Dyersville, On 1ST ST SW, Over SMALL STREAM		Federal Aid					
	Pavement Widening, Bridge New		Regional					
			Swap					
Project ID	Project Number Location	Approval Lev	el	2026	2027	2028	2029	Totals
Sponsor	Work Codes	Letting Date						
STIP ID								

## NHPP

57796	NHSX-052()3H-31	Submitted	Total	\$3,380,000		 \$3,380,000
Iowa Department of	US 52: Luxemburg to Millville		Federal	\$2,814,000		 \$2,814,000
Transportation	Pavement Widening, Pavement Rehab	-	Aid			
			Regional			
			Swap			

# PRF

37915	BRFN-030()39-23	Submitted	Total	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$100,000
Iowa Department of	US 30: Mississippi River in Clinton (State Share)		Federal					
Transportation	Bridge Cleaning		Aid					
			Regional					
			Swap					
57790	BRFN-030()39-23	Submitted	Total	\$20,000				\$20,000
Iowa Department of	US 30: Mississippi River in Clinton Bridge		Federal					
Transportation	Rehabilitation	-	Aid				[	
			Regional					
			Swap					
37952	BRFN-052()39-49	Submitted	Total	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$100,000
Iowa Department of	US 52: Mississippi River in Sabula (State Share)		Federal					
Transportation	Bridge Cleaning		Aid					
			Regional					
			Swap					

37917	BRFN-136()39-23	Submitted	Total	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$160,000
Iowa Department of	IA 136: Mississippi River in Clinton (State Share)		Federal					
Transportation	Bridge Cleaning		Aid					
			Regional					
			Swap					
55589	NHSN-003()2R-31	Submitted	Total	\$258,000				\$258,000
Iowa Department of	IA 3: 0.15 mi E of Midway Rd		Federal					
Transportation	Rip Rap, Right of Way		Aid					
			Regional					
			Swap					

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PRF

39259	STPN-052()2J-49	Submitted	Total	\$30,690,000			\$30,690,000
Iowa Department of	US 52: Mississippi River Bridge to N of Sabula		Federal				
Transportation	Grade and Pave		Aid				
			Regional				
			Swap				
54693	STPN-052()2J-49	Submitted	Total	\$131,000			\$131,000
Iowa Department of Transportation	US 52: Mitigation - Mississippi River Bridge to N of Sabula		Federal Aid				
	Wetland Mitigation		Regional				
			Swap				
55749	NHSN-030()2R-23	Submitted	Total		\$467,000		\$467,000
Iowa Department of	US 30: Mitigation - UP RR Bridge Project		Federal				
Transportation	Wetland Mitigation		Aid				
			Regional				
			Swap				
57791	BRFN-013()39-28	Submitted	Total			\$975,000	\$975,000
Iowa Department of	IA 13: At US 20 Interchange Bridge		Federal				
Transportation	Deck Overlay		Aid				
			Regional				
			Swap				

57795	BRFN-052()39-49	Submitted	Total				\$650,000	\$650,000
Iowa Department of	US 52: Pleasant Creek 0.3 mi N of Co Rd Z34		Federal					
Transportation	Bridge Deck Overlay		Aid					
			Regional					
			Swap					
57794	BRFN-067()39-23	Submitted	Total				\$689,000	\$689,000
Iowa Department of	US 67: Shadducks Creek 5.7 mi N of N Jct IA 136		Federal					
Transportation	Bridge Deck Overlay		Aid					
			Regional					
			Swap					
57789	BRFN-136()39-23	Submitted	Total				\$884,000	\$884,000
Iowa Department of	IA 136: Mill Creek 2.7 mi N of N Jct US 67		Federal					
Transportation	_		-					
	Bridge Deck Overlay		Aid					
			Regional					
			Swap					
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# STBG

52524	BRF-030()38-23	Submitted	Total	\$5,000	\$2,181,000	\$2,186,000
Iowa Department of Transportation	US 30: Unnamed Stream 1.0 mi E of Co Rd Y4E		Federal Aid		\$1,744,800	\$1,744,800
	Bridge Replacement, Right of Way		Regional			
			Swap			
52672	BRF-030()38-23	Submitted	Total	\$520,000		\$520,000
Iowa Department of Transportation	US 30: UP RR 0.3 mi E of W Jct US 67 in Clinton		Federal Aid	\$416,000		\$416,000
	Bridge Deck Overlay		Regional			
			Swap			
48413	BRF-030()38-23	Submitted	Total	\$1,708,000	\$18,746,000	\$20,454,000
Iowa Department of	US 30: UP RR 0.6 mi E of Co Rd Y4E		Federal		\$14,996,800	\$14,996,800
Transportation	Bridge Replacement, Right of Way		Aid	-		
			Regional			
			Swap			
52637	BRF-030()38-23	Submitted	Total	\$838,000		\$838,000

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Iowa Department of Transportation	US 30: Mill Creek 0.2 mi E of W Jct US 67 in Clinton		Federal Aid	\$670,400				\$670,400
	Bridge Deck Overlay	-	Regional					
			Swap					
478	RGPL-PA08(RTP)ST-00	Submitted	Total	\$166,969	\$86,969	\$86,969	\$86,969	\$427,876
RPA 8	On ECIA Transportation Planning		Federal	\$133,575	\$69,575	\$69,575	\$69,575	\$342,300
	Trans Planning	-	Aid	\$133,575				\$133,575
			Regional					
			Swap					
57792	STP-136()2C-23	Submitted	Total	\$4,241,000				\$4,241,000
Iowa Department of	IA 136: WCL Delmar to US 61		Federal	\$3,392,800				\$3,392,800
Transportation	Grade and Pave	-	Aid					
			Regional				_	
			Swap					
57793	STP-136()2C-23	Submitted	Total	\$5,000,000				\$5,000,000
Iowa Department of Transportation	IA 136: Co Rd Z50 in Clinton to W of Charlotte		Federal	\$4,000,000				\$4,000,000
	Pavement Rehab	-	Aid					
			Regional					
			Swap					

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# STBG

44694	STP-S-C023(144)5E-23	Submitted	Total	\$2,300,000	\$2,300,000
Clinton County	On E 50, from 432nd Ave W 5.2 miles to 148th St	12/16/2025	Federal	\$1,700,000	\$1,700,000
	Bryant		Aid	\$1,700,000	\$1,700,000
	HMA Resurfacing/Cold-in-Place Recycling	-	Regional	\$260,000	\$260,000
			Swap		
37309	STP-S-C031(127)5E-31	Submitted	Total	\$2,950,000	\$2,950,000
Dubuque County	On D53, from Hwy 151 E 5.9 miles	1/21/2026	Federal	\$2,360,000	\$2,360,000
	Pavement Rehab	-	Aid	\$2,360,000	\$2,360,000
			Regional		
			Swap		
54675	BRF-013()38-28	Submitted	Total	\$2,010,000	\$2,010,000

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Iowa Department of	IA 13: CC RR 1.0 mi N of US 20		Federal	\$1,608,000		\$1,608,000
Transportation	Bridge Rehabilitation	-	Aid			
			Regional			
			Swap			
54540	BRF-020()38-28	Submitted	Total	\$979,000		\$979,000
Iowa Department of	US 20: Abandoned RR 0.4 mi W of IA 38 (EB)		Federal	\$783,200		\$783,200
Transportation	Bridge Deck Overlay		Aid			
			Regional			
			Swap			
54531	BRF-030()38-23	Submitted	Total	\$509,000		\$509,000
Iowa Department of Transportation	US 30: Brophy's Creek 8.5 mi E of E Jet US 61 (EB)		Federal Aid	\$407,200		\$407,200
	Bridge Deck Overlay	-	Regional			
			Swap			
54676	BRF-062()38-49	Submitted	Total	\$1,207,000		\$1,207,000
Iowa Department of	IA 62: Brush Creek 2.0 mi N of Co Rd Y61		Federal	\$965,600		\$965,600
Transportation	Bridge Rehabilitation	-	Aid			
			Regional			
			Swap			
55751	BRF-003()38-31	Submitted	Total		\$477,000	\$477,000
Iowa Department of Transportation	IA 3: N Fork Maquoketa River 1.5 mi E of US 52		Federal		\$381,600	\$381,600
	Bridge Deck Overlay	-	Aid			
			Regional			
			Swap			

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# STBG

52526	BRF-020()38-31	Submitted	Total	 \$6,35	5,000	\$6,356,000
Iowa Department of Transportation	US 20: N Fork Maquoketa River 0.6 mi W of IA 136 (WB)		Federal Aid	 \$5,07	6,000	\$5,076,000
	Bridge Replacement, Right of Way		Regional			
			Swap			

55629	BRF-038()38-28	Submitted	Total	\$950,000		\$950,000
Iowa Department of	IA 38: Plum Creek 3.5 mi N of Co Rd D22 Bridge		Federal	\$752,000		\$752,000
Transportation	New, Right of Way		Aid	-		
			Regional			
			Swap			
53250	STP-S-C023()5E-23	Submitted	Total	\$1,725,000		\$1,725,000
Clinton County	On Y-54 and F-21, from Grand Mound S to Y- 52		Federal	\$800,000		\$800,000
			Aid	\$800,000		\$800,000
	Pavement Rehab		Regional	\$250,000		\$250,000
			Swap			
51013	STP-S-C028()5E-28	Submitted	Total	\$3,020,000		\$3,020,000
Delaware County	On D 5X, from Jefferson Rd E 4.3 miles to X31		Federal	\$1,720,000		\$1,720,000
			Aid	\$1,720,000		\$1,720,000
	HMA Resurfacing		Regional			
			Swap			
39019	STP-S-C049()5E-49	Submitted	Total	\$3,575,000		\$3,575,000
Jackson County	On Bernard Road (Y31), from N Fork Maquoketa		Federal	\$1,508,636		\$1,508,636
	River N 5.5 miles to 234th Street		Aid	\$1,508,636		\$1,508,636
	PCC Overlay - Unbonded		Regional			
			Swap			
57788	BRF-061()38-49	Submitted	Total		\$1,300,000	\$1,300,000
Iowa Department of Transportation	US 61: N Fork Maquoketa River 5.4 mi N of IA 64 (NB)		FederalAid		\$1,040,000	\$1,040,000
	Bridge Deck Overlay		Regional			
			Swap			
58032	STP-S-C031()5E-31	Submitted	Total		\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000
Dubuque County	On D39, from Y13 W 4.4 miles to Worthington		Federal		\$1,600,000	\$1,600,000
	PCC Pavement - New		Aid		\$1,600,000	\$1,600,000
			Regional			
			Swap			

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## SWAP-HSIP

55115	HSIP-SWAP-C031(128)FJ-31	Submitted	Total	\$1,000,000	 	 \$1,000,000
Dubuque County	Holy Cross Rd (Y13) from New Vienna Rd to HWY	11/18/2025	Federal			
	3		Aid			 
	HMA Paved Shoulder - New		Regional	\$500,000		\$500,000
			Swap			

## SWAP-STBG

52714	STBG-SWAP-3032()SG-23	Submitted	Total	 \$492,000	 \$492,000
Grand Mound	In the city of Grand Mound, On East St, from		Federal	 _	
	Sunnyside Street to North City Limit		Aid	 \$250,000	\$250,000
	Pave		Regional	\$250,000	\$250,000
			Swap		

## TAP

55826	TAP-R-2405(604)8T-31	Submitted	Total	\$233,953	 \$233,953
Epworth In the city of Epworth, South Gate Trail from 6/16/2026 Fede   Frontage Rd SE to south of US 20 along S. Center Avenue/Placid Road Aid	In the city of Epworth, South Gate Trail from	6/16/2026	Federal	\$179,162	 \$179,162
	Aid	\$179,162	 \$179,162		
	Ped/Bike Grade & amp; Pave	Regional			
	r cu bike Grade teamp, r ave		Swap		
52796	TAP-R-4682(629)8T-28	Submitted	Total	\$338,203	\$338,203
Manchester	In the city of Manchester, On Grand Avenue Trail,	, 1/21/2026	Federal	\$250,000	 \$250,000
	from Fairview Dr to E Acres St		Aid	\$250,000	 \$250,000
	Grade and Pave		Regional		
			Swap		



# **RPA 8 FFY 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program Map**

**RPA 8 Transportation Improvement Program FFY 2026-2029** 

RPA 8 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Transit Projects for FFY 2026 - 2029

Project ID Sponsor	Funds Approval Level	Project Type	Description Options Vehicle Unit Number		2026	2027	2028	2029	Totals
11677	5311	Capital	5339 funding for replacing Light Duty Buses (176" wb) (Bus numbers:	Total	\$170,500				\$170,500
Region 8 Regional	Submitted		486)	FA	\$144,925				\$144,925
Transit Authority			VSS,Biodies	DOT					
			el Unit #						
			486						
11678	5311	Operations	53311 Operations	Total	\$1,029,626				\$1,029,626
Region 8 Regional	Submitted			FA	\$514,813				\$514,813
Transit Authority				DOT					
11722	5311	Capital	Replace 35" HD low floor bus	Total	\$659,100				\$659,100
Clinton Municipal	Submitted		Diesel, UFRC, VSS, Low	FA	\$560,235				\$560,235
Transit Administration			Floor Unit # 0941	DOT					
11725	5311	Capital	Replace 35" HD low floor bus	Total	\$659,100				\$659,100
Clinton Municipal	Submitted		Diesel, UFRC, VSS, Low	FA	\$560,235				\$560,235
Transit Administration			Floor Unit # 0942	DOT					
11726	5311	Capital	Replace 178" WB ADA bus	Total	\$200,800				\$200,800
Clinton Municipal	Submitted		UFRC,VSS,Low	FA	\$170,680				\$170,680
Transit Administration			Floor Unit#	DOT					
			1657						
11727	5311	Capital	Replace 178" WB ADA bus	Total	\$200,800				\$200,800
Clinton Municipal	Submitted		UFRC,VSS,Low	FA	\$170,680				\$170,680
Transit Administration			Floor Unit#	DOT					
			1658						
11728	5311,STA	Operations	Operations	Total	\$2,381,639				\$2,381,639
Clinton Municipal	Submitted			FA	\$987,449				\$987,449
Transit Administration				DOT	\$326,368				\$326,368
11944	STA	Operations	State Transit Assistance	Total	\$469,728				\$469,728
Region 8 Regional	Submitted			FA					
Transit Authority				DOT	\$469,728				\$469,728

### **RPA 8 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROGRAM**

## Accommodation:

Meetings, public hearings, and ECIA formal events are held in facilities that are accessible by persons with disabilities. Public notices of ECIA meetings and events include a notice of location for public. Individuals with disabilities will be provided with accommodations to attend the meetings on request with a minimum of one week notice. Individuals requiring special material or presentation formats will be asked to contact the staff at least one week before the meeting.

# **Revising/Amending an Approved TIP**

#### **Revising the TIP**

Revisions are defined as changes to a TIP that occur between scheduled periodic updates. There are two types of changes that occur under the umbrella of revision. The first is a major revision or "Amendment". The second is a minor revision or Administrative Modification".

#### Amendment

An amendment is a revision to a TIP that involves a major change to a project included in the TIP. This includes an addition or deletion of a project or a major change in project cost, project/project phase initiation dates, or a major change in design concept or scope (e.g. changing project termini or the number of through lanes). *Changes to projects that are included only for illustrative purposes do not require an amendment*. An amendment is a revision that requires public review and comment, redemonstration of fiscal constraint, or a conformity determination. Changes that affect fiscal constraint must take place by amendment of the TIP.

### The TIP Amendment Process will include the following steps:

• RPA 8 staff will collect the amendment information from the members requesting.

- RPA 8 staff will inform the public of the amended TIP's availability by sending notice to the organizations on the RPA 8 public participation process list and by publishing legal notices in local newspapers and ECIA website. Theses notices will be posted and published 4-20 days before the scheduled meeting.
- The public hearing meeting will be held with the RPA 8 Policy Board meeting and the meeting will be opened for public input during the process.
- The DOT and FHWA staff will be provided with updated TIP with amendments once approved by RPA 8 Policy and tech boards.
- The public hearing meeting will be held with the RPA 8 Policy Board meeting and the meeting will be opened for public input during the process.

## Administrative Modification

A minor revision to a TIP is an administrative modification. It includes minor changes/project phase costs, minor changes to funding sources of previously-included projects, and minor changes to project/project phase initiation dates. An administrative modification is a revision that does not require public review and comment or redemonstration of fiscal constraint,

## Amendment vs. Administrative Modification

There are four main components that can be used to determine whether a project change constitutes an amendment or an administrative modification. They include the following:

- **Project costs**-Determination will be made based on the percentage change or dollar amount of change in federal aid. Projects in which the federal aid has been changed by more than 30% or total federal aid increases by \$2.0 million or more will require an amendment. Anything less can be processed with an administrative modification.
- Schedule changes-Changes in schedules to projects which are included in the first four years of the TIP/STIP will be considered administrative modifications. Projects which are added or deleted from the TIP/STIP will be processed as amendments.

- **Funding sources**-Additional federal funding sources to a project will require an amendment. Changes to funding from one source to another will require an administrative modification.
- Scope changes-Changing project termini or changing the amount of through traffic lanes will be processed as an amendment. Other examples of changes that require amendment are changing the type of work from an overlay to reconstruction. Another example is changing a project to include widening of the roadway.

## **Swap Project Revision Process**

The RPA 8 will make no distinction between amendments and administrative modifications for projects using swapped Primary Road Funds. Swap projects are subject to DMATS project revision processes and all applicable state public meeting requirements.

## **Redemonstrations of Fiscal Constraint**

The Iowa DOT is required to ensure that that federal aid funds programmed in the STIP are fiscally constrained not only at the time of approval but also throughout the fiscal year. As part of the draft STIP process the DOT adjusts its federal aid participation to utilize all remaining federal funds after local project sponsors have programmed their federal aid projects. Based on this approach, at the time of approval by FHWA and FTA, no additional federal aid funds are available to be added to the STIP and maintain fiscal constraint of the document.

In order to maintain fiscal constraint of the STIP document any revision to a federal aid project in the STIP that adds a new federal aid project or increases a project's STIP limit will require that a corresponding change be made to another programming entry to ensure that the STIP remains fiscally constrained. The federal aid funds moved to make way for the additional programmed federal aid need to be of the same federal aid program type. For example, if additional STBG funds are going to be added to a project the corresponding reduction in federal aid on another project must be STBG funds. This requirement pertains to both administrative modifications and amendments to the STIP and therefore also applies when moving projects up from the out years of the STIP. To facilitate the STIP approval process a programming note should be added to both TPMS entries noting the TPMS number of the other project.

The requirement to ensure fiscal constraint does not apply to accomplishment year projects that have been already programmed at their full federal aid participation rate (typically 80 percent) and whose programming entry is being adjusted based on an updated cost estimate. That would include all projects that have been programmed with an 80/20 or 90/10 split. For those projects, we anticipate that any increases in cost estimates will be balanced out by projects whose authorized federal aid is less than what was programmed.

#### RESOLUTION

# ECIA Regional Planning Affiliation FFY 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program

WHEREAS, the ECIA–RPA Transportation Improvement Program information is developed as a description and justification of transportation improvements proposed for Federal Fiscal years of 2026 through 2029; and,

WHEREAS, the East Central Intergovernmental Association Regional Planning Affiliation has been formed in cooperation with the Iowa Department of Transportation, the Federal Highway Administration, and the Federal Transit Administration to jointly plan and program federal and state transportation improvements in the Region; and,

WHEREAS, the 2015 Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST Act) makes available federal highway and transit funding to make improvements in the State of Iowa and the ECIA–RPA region; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ECIA Regional Planning Affiliation that the FFY 2026–2029 Transportation Improvement Program is hereby approved.

Adopted this on 26th of June 2025.

Scott Madison Chair, RPA Policy Board <u>06/26/2025</u> Date

ATTEST:

<u>06/26/2025</u> Date

Mae Hingtgen Executive Director, ECIA

# Appendix D

# **General RPA Funding Guide to Transportation Surface Transportation Projects**

The Regional Planning Affiliation (RPA) tech Committee oversees the program that provides funds to sponsors of transportation projects that expand travel choices and enhance the transportation experience. This committee reviews, scores, and recommends project applications requesting Surface Transportation Project (STBG) funds. Their recommendations are given to the RPA Policy Committee for approval. The committee consists of a rotating balance of local government and public works officials in the region.

The RPA Tech committee follows the rules and regulations pertaining to the program as set forth in the Federal Highway Administration. However, some additional restrictions have been placed to make the program more efficient and maximize the federal dollars used for construction activities.

## **Project Obligation:**

The project should be obligated within two Federal Fiscal years which includes the Federal Fiscal year that the funding got programmed in RPA 8 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The Federal Fiscal year starts on October 1<sup>st</sup> of the current calendar year and goes until September 30<sup>th</sup> of the next calendar year. If funds have not been obligated at the end of the two year time period the funds will be returned to RPA 8.

## FHWA Authorization of Construction Costs

As part of the letting process, the Iowa DOT obtains FHWA Authorization for the costs of the proposed construction contract. FHWA Authorization will be requested based on the plans, specifications, and estimate (PS&E) submitted by the Local Public Agency (LPA). If the bids come in significantly higher or lower than the estimate, the FHWA Authorization may be adjusted accordingly, provided that sufficient Federal funds are available for the project. The Iowa DOT requires that the LPA budget sufficient funds and be prepared to award a contract for bids that are up to 110% of the LPA's estimate.

## Please see below for FEDERAL AID PROJECT DEVELOPMENT GUIDE

http://www.iowadot.gov/local\_systems/publications/im/guide.pdf

## SURFACE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM EVALUATION CRITERIA

- 1. Economic Vitality: 275 Points (27.5%)
- 4. System Preservation: 200 Points (20%)
- 2. Safety: 200 Points (20%)
- 3. Accessibility and Mobility: 125 Points (12.5%)
- 5. Integration and Connectivity: 75 Points (7.5%)
- 6. Local and Regional Factors: 125 Points (12.5%)

TOTAL POINTS AVAILABLE: 1000 (100%)

The process for project prioritization and ratings will be the following:

- 1. Projects are submitted to RPA 8, with all required information no later than final submittal date set by RPA 8, December 3, 2010 by 5:00 PM.
- 2. Applications will be compiled for the Subcommittee for STBG funding distribution. The Subcommittee will then meet and rank the projects based on the evaluation criteria adopted by the Board. The subcommittee will submit the list to RPA 8 Tech and Policy Boards.
- 3. The Tech Board will provide their input to Policy Board. The Policy Board will review the ranking list and associated documentation and prepare a draft Transportation Improvement Program for inclusion into the Iowa State Transportation Improvement Program.

## Please refer to the Application Guide for additional information on scoring criteria.

## **EVALUATION CRITERIA**

This section will provide information specifically for the competitive rating section of the Region 8 STBG Application. The information is ordered by rating criteria developed from the MAP-21 planning factors that are meant to guide federal-aid projects funded by MAP-21 legislation.

The Transportation Advisory Committee will rank the projects according to subjective and objective scoring factors. All scores will be sent to the Policy Board for review and TIP construction.

## ECONOMIC VITALITY

## 275 Total Points Available

The Economic Vitality section of the application is designed to measure the economic impact that a proposed project will have locally and regionally. All of the rating in this section is subjective. Members of the Transportation Advisory Committee will rate the effects that the proposed project will have on the rating criteria based on the merits of the project. Below illustrates how the 275 points are distributed for each project:

- 75 Points Project promotes general economic development.
- 40 Points Project specifically enhances or improves tourism.
- 40 Points Project specifically improves or enhances movement of freight and services.
- 40 Points Project improves or enhances movement of workers.
- 40 Points Project improves access to jobs and business opportunities.
- **40 Points** Project improves access to other transportation facilities including air, water, rail, multimodal, etc.

#### SYSTEM PRESERVATION

#### 200 Total Points Available

Points are awarded based on current surface type, current pavement condition, current AADT, and future AADT. The information for each of the previously mentioned categories is plugged into a formula and the point value is determined by where the formula solution fits into the points range. Below is an example of how the system preservation formula may be applied to a proposed project:

- 1) Surface Type: Portland Concrete 1
- 2) Facility Condition: 2
- 3) Existing AADT: 5,800
- 4) 10-year projected AADT: 6,400

Formula 1: [(Existing AADT + 10 Year AADT)/1000/2] Formula 2: [(Formula 1 Answer/2)\*(Surface Type)\*(Facility Condition)]

Formula 1: [(5,800 + 6,400)/1,000/2] = 6.1

## Formula 2: [(6.1/2)\*(1)\*(2)] = 6.1 = Project awarded 52 Points as shown in the table below

System 11es	er vacion be	oring criteria	
Range	Points	Range	Points
-		-	
<.50	4	12.51-13.00	104
0.51-1.00	8	13.01-13.50	108
1.01-1.50	12	13.51-14.00	112
1.51-2.00	16	14.01-14.50	116
2.01-2.50	20	14.51-15.00	120
2.51-3.00	24	15.01-15.50	124
3.01-3.50	28	15.51-16.00	128
3.51-4.00	32	16.01-16.50	132
4.01-4.50	36	16.51-17.00	136
4.51-5.00	40	17.01-17.50	140
5.01-5.50	44	17.51-18.00	144
5.51-6.00	48	18.01-18.50	148

#### **System Preservation Scoring Criteria**

6.01-6.50	52	18.51-19.00	152
6.51-7.00	56	19.01-19.50	156
7.01-7.50	60	19.51-20.00	160
7.51-8.00	64	20.01-20.50	164
8.01-8.50	68	20.51-21.00	168
8.51-9.00	72	21.01-21.50	172
9.01-9.50	76	21.51-22.00	176
9.51-10.00	80	22.01-22.50	180
10.01-10.50	84	22.51-23.00	184
10.51-11.00	88	23.01-23.50	188
11.01-11.50	92	23.51-24.00	192
11.51-12.00	96	24.01-24.50	196
12.01-12.50	100	24.51-25.00	200

## **SAFETY**

#### 200 Total Points Available

Safety is designed to measure how accidents on the proposed facility compare with state rates and what proportion of the project cost will go towards safety improvements. The Transportation Advisory Committee will rank projects based on factual numbers supplied by applicants and their corresponding point ranges.

Data used in this section includes accident rates and cost of safety improvements of the proposed project. Applicants will acquire accident data from the previous five years and complete the accident rate calculation located in the application. The end result should be a ratio in units of accidents per hundred million vehicle miles (HMVM) of the calculated rate for the proposed project to the state rate for cities or counties. Points will be awarded based on the accident rate as shown in the table below:

Accident Rate Scoring Criteria		
Accident Ratio	Points	
<0.49	0	
0.50-0.99	20	
1.00-1.99	40	
2.00-2.99	60	
3.00-3.99	80	
4.00-<	100	

The proportion of the total project cost to cost of safety improvements uses data from the applicant that should specifically describe what parts of the project are for safety improvements. All safety improvements must be located on the approved safety improvement list included at the end of this document and in the STBG Application. The cost for safety improvements should then be divided by the total cost for the safety improvement cost/total cost ratio. Points are awarded based on the proportion of funding put towards making safety improvements as shown below.

safety improvement scoring criteria		
Percent	Points	
<15%	0	
15-25%	20	
25-35%	40	
35-45%	60	
45-55%	80	
55-65%	100	

#### Safety Improvement Scoring Criteria

## ACCESSIBILITY AND MOBILITY

## **125 Total Points Available**

Accessibility and Mobility is designed to measure how the proposed project will make users of the transportation system more mobile. The Transportation Advisory Committee will rank the projects based on factual numbers supplied by the applicants or RPA 8 and their corresponding point ranges.

RPA 8 will calculate volume/capacity ratios by dividing current and projected traffic volumes by a capacity table developed from the Highway Capacity Manual. This table may be found on the Page 17.

Points will be awarded based on Existing Volume/Capacity Ratio using the scoring criteria in the table below.

Existing Volume/Capacity Ratio Scoring Criteria				
Volume/Capacity	Points			
0.00-0.062	10			
0.063-0.125	15			
0.126-0.188	20			
0.189-0.251	25			
0.252-0.314	30			
0.315-0.503	35			
0.504-0.629	40			
0.630-0.818	45			
0.819-0.944	50			
0.945-1.070	55			
1.071-1.096	65			

Existing Volume/Canacity Ratio Scoring Criteria

Points will be awarded for projects in which the volume/capacity ratio is reduces due to the proposed project. Points will be awarded based on the following table.

Volume/Capacity	Points
Ranges Change	
0	0

1	20
2	40
3	60

## **Volume Capacity Table**

#### TABLE IV-2 CAPACITY BY FACILITY AND AREA TYPE

FACILITY TYPE (Assignment Group)	1 <u>CBD</u>	2 <u>FRINGE</u>	AREA TYPE 3 <u>residential</u>	4 <u>OBD</u>	5 <u>RURAL/OTHER</u>
2					
Z Divided Arterial/Expressway					
2 lanes	16,400/17,000	16.600/17.600	17,000/18,000	17,000/18,000	15,000/16,000
4 lanes	32,000/34,000		34,000/36,000	34,000/36,000	30,000/32,000
6 lanes	49,200/51,000		51,000/54,000	51,000/54,000	45,000/48,000
U INNEO					
3					
<u>Undivided Arterial</u>					
1 lane	6,300	7,500	7,500	7,500	6,500
2 lanes	12,600	15,000	15,000	15,000	13,000
3 lanes	18, <del>9</del> 00	22,500	22,500	22,500	19,500
4 lanes	25,200	30,000	30,000	30,000	26,000
5 lanes	31,500	37,500	37,500	37,500	32,500
6 lanes	37,800	45,000	45,000	45,000	39,000
4					
Collector					
1 lane	5,300	6,500	6.500	6,500	5,700
2 lanes	10,600	13,000	13,000	13,000	11,400
3 lanes	15,900	19,500	19,500	19,500	17,100
4 lanes	21,200	26,000	26,000	26,000	22,800
1 Auto		,	,		
5					
Local					
1 lane	4,800	6,000	6,000	6,000	5,200
2 lanes	9,600	12,000	12,000	12,000	10,400
3 lanes	14,400	18,000	18,000	18,000	15,600
4 lanes	19,200	24,000	24,000	24,000	20,800
1					
Freeway					
	72,000	72,000	72,000	72,000	72,000
6					
Bridge	I-280	I-74	Arsenal/Cent.	I-80	
2 lanes	-	-	18,000	-	
4 lanes	72,000	-	40,000	68,000	
6 lanes	-	108,000	-	-	
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Note: Capacities used in TRANPLAN model for Quad City Area based on links' lanes, direction and speed.

Key: CBD - Central Business District Fringe - Surrounding CBD OBD - Other Business District

References: National Cooperative Highway Research Program (NCHRP) Report 187, Quick Response Urban Travel Estimation Techniques and Transferable Parameters User's Guide, and Highway Capacity Manual, Special Report 209. Table approximates LOS D.

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## INTEGRATION AND CONNECTIVITY

## 75 Points Total Points Available

Integration and Connectivity is designed to measure what impact the proposed project will have on connecting and integrating the transportation system. The Transportation Advisory Committee will rank projects based on factual numbers and on the committee member's feelings on how the proposed project will impact the transportation system in this category. Below illustrates how the 75 points are distributed for the integration and connectivity category.

**75 Points** - Project improves connectivity to a road classified as arterial or higher?

75 Points - Project improves connectivity for freight transportation including air, water, rail, and truck?75 Points - Project integrates multiple modes of transportation including transit, trail, and auto?

## LOCAL AND REGIONAL FACTORS

#### **125 Total Points Available**

Local and regional factors will evaluate what planning documents the proposed project are consistent with, the amount of local match involved, how the proposed project will impact the transportation system, and if there is more than one sponsor involved.

The adopted planning document could include a long range transportation plan, comprehensive plan, capital improvements plan, or any other local, regional, or state planning document. 25 points will be awarded based on the number of planning documents in which a project conforms with and the significance of the planning document.

Projects will be awarded points based on the amount of local match ratio contributed to the project. Projects that have match ratios in between the ratios listed as point ranges will be grouped in the point range above the actual ratio. For instance, if a proposed project has a federal/local match of 72/28, that project will be grouped in the 80/20 range. A proposed project that has a federal/local match ratio of 68/32 will be grouped in the 70/30 range.

Local Match Ratio Scoring Criteria			
Fed/Local			
Match	Points		
80/20	0		
70/30	8.25		
60/40	16.75		
50/50	25		

In addition, points will be awarded based on the following questions:

**25 Points** - Project will contribute to the local *AND* regional transportation system.

**25 Points** - Proposed project involves more than one project sponsor.

# <u>Appendix E</u>

# **RPA 8 Transportation Alternative Program Project Scoring Criteria**

## **RPA8** Transportation Alternatives Program Structure

## **Eligible Activities**

The following categories of activities are eligible for funding under the Statewide Transportation Alternatives Program:

- Transportation Alternatives as defined by 23 U.S.C. 101(a)(29),
- Infrastructure-related or non-infrastructure-related projects formerly eligible through the Safe Routes to School program under Section 1404(f) of the SAFETEA-LU, and
- Projects eligible through the Recreational Trails Program under Section 206 of Title 23.

## Transportation Alternatives

Eligible projects must meet one or more of these eligibilities and must relate to surface transportation.

- Construction, planning, and design of on-road and off-road trail facilities for pedestrians, bicyclists, and other nonmotorized forms of transportation, including sidewalks, bicycle infrastructure, pedestrian and bicycle signals, traffic calming techniques, lighting and other safety-related infrastructure, and transportation projects to achieve compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990.
- 2. Construction, planning, and design of infrastructure-related projects and systems that will provide safe routes for non-drivers, including children, older adults, and individuals with disabilities to access daily needs.
- 3. Conversion and use of abandoned railroad corridors for trails for pedestrians, bicyclists, or other non-motorized transportation users.
- 4. Construction of turnouts, overlooks, and viewing areas.
- 5. Community improvement activities, which include but are not limited to:
  - a. Inventory, control, or removal of outdoor advertising.
  - b. Historic preservation and rehabilitation of historic transportation facilities.

- c. Vegetation management practices in transportation rights-of-way to improve roadway safety, prevent against invasive species, and provide erosion control.
- d. Archaeological activities relating to impacts from implementation of a transportation project eligible under this title.
- e. Streetscaping and corridor landscaping.
- 6. Any environmental mitigation activity, including pollution prevention and pollution abatement activities and mitigation to:
  - a. Address stormwater management, control, and water pollution prevention or abatement related to highway construction or due to highway runoff, including activities described in sections 133(b)(11), 328(a), and 329; or
  - b. Reduce vehicle-caused wildlife mortality or to restore and maintain connectivity among terrestrial or aquatic habitats.

## Infrastructure-Related Safe Routes to School Projects

The planning, design, and construction of infrastructure-related projects that will substantially improve the ability of students to walk and bicycle to school, including:

- 1. Sidewalk improvements,
- 2. Traffic calming and speed reduction improvements,
- 3. Pedestrian and bicycle crossing improvements,
- 4. On-street bicycle facilities,
- 5. Off-street bicycle and pedestrian facilities,
- 6. Secure bicycle parking facilities, and
- 7. Traffic diversion improvements in the vicinity of schools. (section 1404(f)(1)(a))

## Non-Infrastructure Related Safe Routes to School Projects

Activities to encourage walking and bicycling to school, including:

- 1. Public awareness campaigns and outreach to media and community leaders,
- 2. Traffic education and enforcement in the vicinity of K-8 schools,
- 3. Student sessions on bicycle and pedestrian safety, health, and environment, and
- Funding for training, volunteers, and managers of safe routes to school programs. (section 1404(f)(2)(a))

## **Recreational Trails Program Projects**

Eligible Recreational Trails Program projects include:

- 1. Maintenance and restoration of existing recreational trails;
- 2. Development and rehabilitation of trailside and trailhead facilities and trail linkages;
- 3. Purchase and lease of recreational trail construction and maintenance equipment;
- 4. Construction of new recreational trails (with some restrictions for new trails on Federal lands);
- 5. Acquisition of easements and fee simple title to property for recreational trails or recreational trail corridors;
- 6. Assessment of trail conditions for accessibility and maintenance;

- 7. Development and dissemination of publications and operation of educational programs to promote safety and environmental protection, (as those objectives relate to one or more of the use of recreational trails, supporting non-law enforcement trail safety and trail use monitoring patrol programs, and providing trail-related training), but in an amount not to exceed 5 percent of the apportionment made to the State for the fiscal year; and
- 8. Payment of costs to the State incurred in administering the program, but in an amount not to exceed 7 percent of the apportionment made to the State for the fiscal year.

## **Eligible Applicants and Project Sponsors**

MAP-21 authorizes the following entities to apply for Transportation Alternatives Program funding:

- Local governments.
- Regional Transportation Authorities.
- Transit Agencies.
- Natural Resource or public lands agencies.
- School Districts, local education agencies or schools.
- Tribal governments.
- Any other local or regional governmental entity with responsibility for oversight of transportation or recreational trails (other than a metropolitan planning organization or a State agency that the State determines to be eligible).
- A non-eligible project sponsor (such as a non-profit) may partner with an eligible co-sponsor in applying for funds.

## **Eligible Costs**

Only certain costs are eligible for reimbursement through the Transportation Alternatives Program. An obligation of funds occurs when a project is approved and a project agreement is executed between the Federal government (FHWA division office) and the Iowa DOT. This is called FHWA Authorization. This does not generally occur until a project has cleared a number of steps in the project development process including the execution of a project agreement between the project sponsor and the Iowa DOT. Although considerable time and money may have already been spent developing a project, the obligation

of funds upon FHWA Authorization marks the beginning of project costs which are eligible for reimbursement. Any design and feasibility studies conducted prior to receipt of a Notice to Proceed from the Iowa DOT are not eligible for reimbursement.

After obligation and FHWA Authorization, many project specific costs are eligible. Preliminary and final engineering work including project development, acquisition of right-of-way, environmental work, cost estimates, construction plans, and architectural work are eligible after approval is granted by the Iowa DOT. Utility relocations as permitted under Iowa Code, construction engineering, and construction costs would also be eligible. Any administrative, maintenance, or general planning studies would not be eligible. Upon award, each project will be assigned a dedicated contact person within the Iowa DOT who will work with the project sponsor through each step of the project development process.

## Local Match

Transportation Alternatives Program funds may pay for up to 80 percent of eligible project costs or up to the approved grant maximum, whichever is less. A local match is required to pay for 20 percent or more of the remaining project costs. This match requirement also applies to traditional Safe Routes to School projects. Federal funds cannot be used as matching funds, unless expressly permitted by law. State funds are eligible for use as match. In-kind services or donated services, materials, or real property donated by a third party may also be counted as match under certain circumstances and with Iowa DOT approval.

## **Application Process**

## Deadline

Application submittals for each funding round must be postmarked by **the deadline date**, and include an original and four (4) hardcopies of the completed application and all attachments. Email submissions of the completed application by the stated deadline are allowed, but the original and four (4) hardcopies of the completed application must follow by mail.

## **Required Submittal**

A complete application will consist of the following:

1. A completed application form.

2. A narrative assessing existing conditions, outlining the concept of the proposed project, and providing adequate project justification as described in the application form.

- 3. A detailed map identifying the location of the project.
- 4. If applicable, a sketch-plan of the project, including cross-section for bicycle or pedestrian facilities.
- 5. An itemized breakdown of the total project costs.
- 6. A time schedule for the total project development.

7. An official endorsement of the project from the authority to be responsible for its maintenance and operation according to the requirements included in the application form.

8. If applicable, a letter of support for the project from the scenic or historic byway board.

9. A narrative discussing the public input process that was followed, the extent to which adjacent property owners and others have been informed of the proposed project, and an assessment of their acceptance.

## **Project Selection**

In addition to meeting Transportation Alternatives Program eligibility requirements, projects funded under the Statewide Transportation Alternatives Program are intended to have a statewide or multiregional significance. As such, applications for projects such as trails that could be considered primarily local impact projects will not be scored favorably.

An assessment of the relative statewide significance of a project may be made by considering the following:

- 1. Statewide or multi-regional impact of the project,
- 2. Degree of enhancement of the quality or utility of the state's overall surface transportation system,
- 3. State or multi-regional tourism benefits, and
- 4. Degree of statewide or multi-regional planning implemented

## Federal Requirements, Standards, or Guidelines

Since the Statewide Transportation Alternatives Program is a part of the Federal-aid highway program, awarded projects are subject to certain Federal laws and regulations including:

- 1. Involvement of the public, including the adjacent property owners, in the development of the project.
- 2. Compliance with the Uniform Relocation Property Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act (the Uniform Act) for the acquisition of easements or the purchase of land in fee simple. This includes fair treatment practices and may include the completion of an appraisal on parcels to be acquired. This requirement applies whether or not federal funds will be used for the acquisition costs.
- 3. National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). This requires verification the project is not harmful to the environment in the following areas:
  - 1. Noise impacts of noise during and after construction.
  - 2. Air Quality compliance with Iowa's state implementation plan for maintaining its attainment status relative to the national ambient air quality standards. Conformity with the requirements of the Clean Air Act must be verified.
  - Cultural Resources disturbances to areas of archaeological or historical significance. Properties proposed for rehabilitation or preservation must be eligible for or on the list of the National Register of Historic Places. (Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act)
  - 4. Water Quality impacts to water quality.
  - 5. Wetlands impacts to wetlands.
  - 6. Floodplains impacts to regulatory floodways or to a 110-year floodplain.
  - 7. Farmland Protection impacts to surrounding farmland.
  - 8. Hazardous Waste Sites location of and impacts to hazardous waste sites.
- 4. Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Projects must conform to the Americans with Disabilities Act, which allows for reasonable access to the project for persons with disabilities.
- Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE) and Minority Business Enterprises (MBE). Verification must be received that efforts have been made to solicit bids from disadvantaged and minority business enterprises.

- 6. Davis-Bacon Wage Requirements. Projects will be required to comply with Davis-Bacon wage requirements, which state that contractors will conform to federal minimum wage requirements.
- Competitive bidding requirements. Construction projects are required to be let through the Iowa DOT or according to procedures for a public letting as per Sections 26.3 through 26.13 of the Code of Iowa.
- 8. Permits or Other Approvals. It is the project owner/sponsor's responsibility to obtain all permits or other approvals that may be required as a result of the activities proposed as part of the project.