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MEMORANDUM

DATE: June 21, 2023

TO: Mike Behm, Director
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SUBJECT: Transportation Commission Meeting – June 29, 2023
Item for Consideration

Consideration of 2023 Local Federal Bridge Program

Requesting consideration of the development of the 2023 Local Federal Bridge Program in accordance with the criteria as noted in the Fact Sheet.

cc: Attachment

**Apportionment of Highway Infrastructure Program Funds
pursuant to the Department of Transportation IJA, 2023
LOCAL FEDERAL BRIDGE PROGRAM
FACT SHEET**

- Based on current percentage of poor deck area between SDDOT (24.5%) and Local Governments (75.5%), a total of \$74,575,884.00 of federal funds will be made available for projects to be let to contract from FFY 2024 through FFY2027. The funding is comprised of the 2023 & 2024 allocation of Bridge Formula Program funds (\$25.975 M/yr) and the 2023 HIP funds (\$22.624M).
- Criteria for the Local Federal Bridge Replacement Program will be as noted below:
 - ✓ DOT will accept requests for bridge replacement projects by application – Due August 1, 2023
Submit applications via email to DOT.LOCGOVASSISTOFFICE@state.sd.us
 - ✓ Poor condition bridges in **all** counties, cities and towns will be eligible
 - ✓ Applications will be separated and ranked based on federal aid eligible routes and non-federal aid eligible routes.
 - ✓ A modification of the Bridge Improvement Grant (BIG) Score will be used to rank (Local Planning element of BIG Score will not be included)
 - Bridge Condition (50 points)
 - User Impact (20 points)
 - Bridges over a Named Creek (5 points)
 - Bridges over a River (10 points)
 - Bridges over a Railroad (10 points)
 - ✓ DOT will administer Preliminary Engineering (PE) – survey, hydraulics and design
 - Local Public Agency (LPA) will select consultant from DOT Consultant Retainer list for Bridge Design and DOT administer contracts for professional services for survey, hydraulics, and design
 - ✓ Construction contracts will be let through DOT – normal federal aid requirement
 - ✓ Construction engineering (CE) will be administered through DOT Area offices
 - ✓ For bridges on non-federal aid eligible routes, Preliminary Engineering, Construction and Construction Engineering –participating costs are eligible at 100% Federal aid, LPA will be responsible for any non-participating costs as typical for projects with SDDOT.
 - ✓ For bridges on federal aid eligible routes, Preliminary Engineering, Construction and Construction Engineering –participating costs are eligible at 81.95% Federal aid, LPA will be responsible 18.05% match and for any non-participating costs as typical for projects with SDDOT.
 - ✓ BIG Preliminary Engineering (PE) projects that are complete are eligible and BIG Preliminary Engineering, Replacement, Rehabilitation, and Preservation projects that have been granted but not complete by August 1, 2023 are not eligible.

- ✓ DOT reserves the right to adjust schedules and timelines that best fit each individual project and deferrals or advancements may occur depending on available funding and project readiness.
- ✓ Any project not obligated and approved by Federal Highway Administration (ready to be let) by the end of Federal Fiscal year 2027 will not be funded and will result in cancelation of the project.
- Criteria for the Local Federal Bridge Removal Program will be as noted below:
 - ✓ For bridges on non-federal aid eligible routes, Preliminary Engineering, Construction and Construction Engineering –participating costs are eligible at 100% Federal aid, LPA will be responsible for any non-participating costs as typical for projects with SDDOT.
 - ✓ For bridges on federal aid eligible routes, Preliminary Engineering, Construction and Construction Engineering –participating costs are eligible at 81.95% Federal aid, LPA will be responsible 18.05% match and for any non-participating costs as typical for projects with SDDOT.
 - ✓ Federal aid is available to remove a structure if the owner makes the decision to close and remove the bridge. Those structures that have been taken off the NBI but are still physically in place are also eligible for removal under this program as long as the roadway has not been vacated.
 - ✓ A current resolution from the county/owner to delete a structure from the NBI is available and provided with the application. Once a structure is deleted from the NBI, federal and/or state funds are not available for a new installation should the owner decide to do so. A new structure can only be added to the inventory using other funds.
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