

District 6 Rochester MN
2900 48th St. NW

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To: District 6 County and City Engineers

RE: MnDOT Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 – 2025 LPP – Solicitation - Round 2

It is time again for the next round of solicitation and submittals for the Local Partnership Program (LPP) projects for **Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 – 2025**. I hope that you will take the time to consider candidate projects within your Local Governmental Units.

This Solicitation is an exception because it is the second appeal for projects in FY 2024 and 2025. You may recall that there were two LPP applications last year, in 2021. Both of those projects were selected.

- **Wabasha County** requested and was awarded **\$100,000** in State Funds through the MnDOT LPP.
- **Steele County** requested and was awarded **\$54,350** in State Funds through the MnDOT LPP.
- Additionally, a previously chosen LPP project located in **Faribault** was awarded an additional sum of **\$500,000**. This project grew in magnitude due in part to MnDOT requirements, thus the LPP staff believed the project warranted additional funds.

The total sum for all 3 projects is **\$654,350**. Because the available funding in **FY 2024** is **\$1,300,000** and **\$1,400,000** in **FY 2025**; there remains **\$645,650** available in **2024** and **\$1,400,000** in **2025**.

Therefore, we are issuing this second solicitation for the funding not utilized in the previous selection process.

As you know, the purpose of the LPP is to address problems on the trunk highway system that are of concern to Local Units of Government but are typically not large-scale or high enough priority that they are directly selected as projects in the regular MnDOT Road Program. Selected projects must:

- Provide a clear benefit to the trunk highway system as well as to the local community
- Be developed and administered by the local agency
- Have preliminary design, final design, right-of-way, and utility relocation costs (as appropriate) paid for by the local agency
- The work on the trunk highway shall be designed to MnDOT Trunk Highway Standards

MnDOT District 6 will be accepting candidate projects for this additional round of the FY 2024 – 2025 LPP, **due by December 15th, 2022**. Projects may be submitted that require very little funding, up to the full funding available in a given fiscal year. The selection committee will choose projects based on readiness, merit, and other factors. Please feel free to contact me or Fausto Cabral if you have questions regarding project type or magnitude.

As mentioned above, the LPP exists to provide funding for projects that deliver benefit to both the local community and the trunk highway system. These funds are intended to pay for a portion of the trunk highway eligible construction costs of the project. The Right-of-Way, Utility Relocation, Preliminary and Final Design Costs are not eligible for funding. This program will pay for the eligible trunk highway costs and up to 8% of the construction engineering costs (for inspection, contract administration, surveying and materials testing as applicable, based on the trunk highway eligible costs). MnDOT District 6's participation on the project is based on eligibility as determined in MnDOT's Cost Participation Policy, which in turn is based on Minnesota Statutes.



Please note that the following schedule has been established to allow for project procurements to occur in the proper fiscal year:

- Application –Deadline December 15th, 2022
- Project selection –Week of January 8th, 2023
- Publication of selected projects –January 15th, 2023
- Selected projects should be awarded by or before June 21st, 2023
- Project Kick off meeting – Date to be determined

The application should contain a letter of intent, a sketch/layout of the project and a preliminary estimate. The application should also include estimated schedule of delivery and a proposed letting date.

As a reminder, the LPP Selection Committee will again consist of 2 City Engineers, 2 County Engineers and 2 MnDOT Engineers. Committee selection participants will be invited by the District 6 State Aid LPP Engineer from the Cities and Counties that did not submit applications for the FY 2024-2025 solicitation.

Submit applications to District 6 State Aid no later than Thursday, December 15th, 2022. For questions regarding the Local Partnership Program contact Craig Lenz at 507-286-7558, or 507-251-0016. For submittals, use the District 6 State Aid submittal address: d6.stateaid@state.mn.us

Again, the District has **\$645,650** available in FY 2024 and **1,400,000** available in FY 2025. We are looking forward to working with you on this next round of projects.

Sincerely,

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