

FEDERAL-AID SWAP

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HISTORY

- HF 203 – Authorizing the Use of Primary Road Fund Moneys for the Secondary Road and Municipal Street Systems
 - Signed by the Governor on March 23, 2017.
- How are funds managed and distributed?
 - Discussion with:
 - Iowa League of Cities (APWA), Iowa State Association of Counties (ISAC) / Iowa County Engineers Association, (ICEA), Regional Planning Affiliations (RPAs) and Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs)
- **Iowa Transportation Commission approves final plan.**

HF 203

The commission may, after consultation with stakeholders including regional planning affiliations, metropolitan planning organizations, the Iowa state association of counties, and the Iowa league of cities, periodically allocate moneys from the fund for the establishment, construction, and maintenance of the secondary road system and the municipal street system in exchange for retaining all or a portion of federal aid road funds that would otherwise be allocated to counties and cities.

STAKEHOLDER DISCUSSIONS

- September 2017
 - Stakeholder Discussions Begin
- October 2017
 - Initial Discussion Results Presented to the Iowa Transportation Commission
- October 2017 – Summer 2018
 - Discussions Continue
- October 2018
 - Full Implementation

DISCUSSION ITEMS FOR STAKEHOLDER GROUP

- Exchange Rate
 - Kansas - \$0.90 in State funds for \$1.00 in Federal funds
 - Nebraska - \$0.80 in State funds for \$1.00 in Federal funds
 - South Dakota - \$0.82 in State funds for \$1.00 in Federal funds



DISCUSSION ITEMS FOR STAKEHOLDER GROUP

- Eligible Projects
 - Engineering Services
 - Construction
 - Maintenance
 - Rehabilitation
 - New Construction
- How much Federal-aid will be swapped?
 - All or Nothing
 - LPA Decides on a project by project basis
 - MPOs or RPAs opt in to the swap on a regional basis

DISCUSSION ITEMS FOR STAKEHOLDER GROUP

- Eligible Routes
 - All Roads
 - Only Federal-aid Routes
- Consultant Selection (if Consultant services are funded)
 - Qualifications Based Selection
 - Individual Local Public Agency (LPA) determined procurement method
- Funding Match Requirements, if any
- How existing balances of Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) funds be handled?

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PROJECT SELECTION FOR CITIES UNDER 5,000

- Cities under 5,000 typically have no formal representation at their RPA.
 - RPAs could continue to select projects for these cities as they are now.
 - Statewide grant program administered by Ames.



WHAT WILL NOT HAPPEN

- Dissolution of Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) and Regional Planning Affiliations (RPAs).
- “Put the money on a stump and run.”
 - There will be structure to the swap program.
- Disregard for the environmental process.
 - Federal and State rules must continue to be followed.

FEDERAL AND STATE LAWS THAT ALWAYS APPLY

- Environmental
 - Section 404 Permits (US Army Corps of Engineers permit - 33 U.S.C. 1344)
 - Endangered and Threatened Species (16 U.S.C. 1531 & Iowa Code 481B)
 - Storm Water Pollution Prevention (33 U.S.C. 1341 & Iowa Code 455B)
- Iowa Uniform Act applies to ROW Acquisition
 - Mirrors the Federal Uniform Act (Iowa Code 6A and Iowa Code 316)



FEDERAL AND STATE LAWS THAT ALWAYS APPLY

- Discrimination
 - Civil Rights Act of 1964 applies to any agency who received any Federal funds (42 U.S.C. 2000d-4a)
- Cemeteries (Iowa Code 523I)



DOC EXPRESS

- DOT Projects
 - Full Implementation now
- Locally Administered Projects
 - Full Implementation in 2018
 - When all Counties are on-board electronic signing can be implemented
 - We are currently reviewing how Elected officials will be impacted



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THANK YOU

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