



MEMORANDUM

TO: MPO Technical Committee
FROM: Staff
SUBJECT: Call for Projects: FYs 2025-2026 STBG Preservation Set-Aside
DATE: August 17, 2022

Action needed by Technical:

None. Information item only.

Background:

Tri-County Regional Planning Commission (TCRPC) is the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Peoria-Pekin urbanized area. One of the responsibilities of the MPO is to program federal Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) funds allocated on an annual basis to the urbanized area through the Illinois Department of Transportation. It is the intent of TCRPC to direct the use of STBG funds toward projects which have regional significance, and which will have benefit to the entire region, rather than projects which benefit only single communities or small parts of the urbanized area.

Approximately \$8.2M will be programmed for the two fiscal years. For the FYs 2025-2026 Funding Years, the Preservation Set-Aside Program will continue to utilize 20% of the STBG funding pot. Therefore, \$1.64M will be available for resurfacing projects. This call for projects includes only pavement preservation projects, referred to as the "Preservation Set-Aside."

Applications must be completed digitally and submitted to stbg@tricountyrpc.org by Friday, September 30, 2022, at 4:00pm. Digital copies of the form will be distributed via email to each Technical Committee member on August 17, 2022, but may also be requested from TCRPC staff. The FY 2025-26 STBG Preservation Set-Aside selection schedule is as follows:

Aug. 17, 2022	Staff issues Call for Projects
Sep. 30, 2022	Applications due to staff, staff reviews project submissions
Oct. 19, 2022	Match resolutions due to staff
Oct. 19, 2022	Presentations to Technical Committee; Subcommittee established
Oct./Nov. 2022	Subcommittee assigns Regional Significance scores; staff assigns project Tiers
Nov. 16, 2022	Subcommittee makes recommendation to Technical Committee; Technical develops recommendation to Commission
Dec. 7, 2022	Commission makes final decision

Requirements for pavement preservation roadway projects:

The following activities (1) are eligible for STBG preservation funding and (2) may be counted toward a project's local match requirement.

1. Resurfacing is defined as adding a new layer of asphalt over existing pavement on driving lanes, parking lanes, turn lanes, and/or shoulders in order to extend the life of the roadway.
2. The following activities are eligible when done in conjunction with a resurfacing project:
 - a. Milling
 - b. Base repair, if the cost is 6% or less of the project
 - c. Crack filling/sealing
 - d. Manhole/valve adjustments
 - e. Striping

All projects must meet these general requirements to be considered for Preservation Set-Aside funding.

1. Projects must be located in the MPO 20-Year Metropolitan Planning Area.
2. Roadways must have a Functional Classification of Minor Collector or above.
3. Projects must be ready to implement/construct by the programmed fiscal year.
4. Applicant must commit via resolution to provide at least 20% local match at the time of application.
5. Only dues-paying members of TCRPC are eligible to apply for funding; other local jurisdictions within the 20-Year Planning Boundary must be sponsored by a TCRPC member.
6. The maximum amount that can be applied for any one project is \$820,000.
7. A jurisdiction that received funding from the FYs 2025-2026 Traditional Program is not eligible to receive funding from the FYs 2025-2026 Preservation Set-Aside Program.
8. Applications must be submitted online.