



State Aid for Local Transportation Bonding Update

AMC Transportation & Infrastructure Policy Committee
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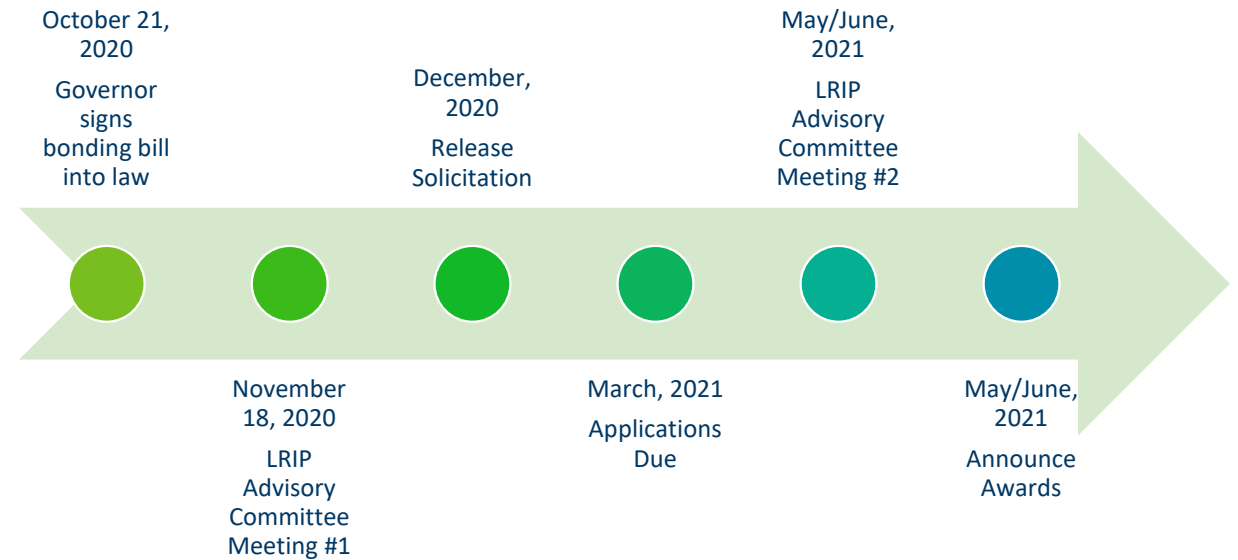
2020 Laws, 5th Special Session, Chapter 3, Article 1, Section 16



- Signed into law October 21, 2020
- \$75 million for Local Road Improvement Program (LRIP)
- \$30 million for Local Bridge Replacement Program (LBRP)
- \$3 million for Safe Routes to School (SRTS)
- 26 local agency transportation earmarks totaling \$166 million
 - Three bridge – \$56.2 million
 - 23 road/trail - \$109.9 million

Local Road Improvement Program (LRIP)

- “Selection letters” sent to all earmark recipients (road and bridge)
 - Kick-off meetings
 - Demonstration of Full Funding
 - Eligibility, grant agreement process
- \$75 million Competitive Solicitation
 - LRIP advisory committee meeting November 18, 2020
 - Solicitation released December 2, applications due March 3
 - LRIP advisory committee in May/June, with awards announced soon thereafter
 - Very high interest



Local Road Improvement Program (LRIP)

- **Web resources**

(www.dot.state.mn.us/stateaid/lrip.html)

- [Application \(PDF\)](#)
- [Solicitation guide \(PDF\)](#)
- [Frequently Asked Questions \(PDF\)](#)
- [LRIP Training Presentation \(PowerPoint\)](#)



Frequently Asked Questions regarding 2020 Local Road Improvement Program Solicitation

Updated: 2/9/2021

1. I don't know much about the LRIP program. Where can I find more information?
2. I've heard there are a lot of rules associated with bond funds. Where can I learn more about bond requirements and restrictions?
3. Why is county sponsorship required?
4. \$75 million is available in LRIP funds. How is this money distributed among cities, counties, and towns?
5. If my agency is awarded LRIP funds, how can I use them?
6. Can LRIP funds be used on projects that have an expiration date?
7. How can a low volume town apply for LRIP funds?
9. Funding Account questions:
 - a. How can I qualify for funding?
 - b. How can I qualify for funding?
 - c. How can I qualify for funding?
10. More than one road qualifies for LRIP funding. Can I submit more than one application or do I have to choose one?
11. Are there any special considerations for a contiguous route that is not contiguous to the rest of the route?
12. Does State Aid have a temporary expiration date?
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14. I have a project schedule for the next year. Will it be awarded and/or used under this solicitation. When will the money be available?
15. Would a system wide project be eligible for LRIP funding?
16. Can agency staff construct projects?
17. How will projects be scored?
18. Do I need to hire a consultant?
19. Are bridge replacement projects eligible for LRIP funding?
20. We have a regionally significant project. Is it eligible for LRIP funding?
21. What roles are required of a sponsor?
22. To whom should letters of support be sent?

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2020 Local Road Improvement Program Solicitation Guide

January 28, 2021

Alexandria 44th Avenue project

Local Road Improvement Program

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Local Road Improvement Program 2020 Application Form

State Aid for Local Transportation

A. Applicant Information

1. Name (First & Last):	2. Phone Number:	
3. E-mail:	4. Agency Type: - please select -	
5. Agency Name:		
6. Street Address:		
7. City:	8. State: MN	9. Zip Code:
10. Sponsoring County and County Engineer name (required if applicant is small city or township)		

B. Project Location

1. MnDOT District: - please select -	2. County:
3. City:	4. Township:
5. Name of Road:	
7. Road Authority Type (which agency owns and has jurisdiction of the road): - please select -	6. Type of Road: - please select -
8. Project Termini: From	9. To:

C. Project Description

1. Type of Project: - please select -
2. Select the LRIP Account requested for funding. - please select -
3. Provide a summary of the proposed project and the transportation deficiencies that will be eliminated, including a description of operational and general safety benefits of the project. Projects seeking funding from the Rural Road Safety Account will need to provide a more detailed description of safety issues and benefits under Section D3.

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Local Bridge Replacement Program (LBRP)

- \$30 million in bonds + \$11.2 million in MVLST = \$41.2 million
- \$60+ million in state bridge fund requests on waiting list, and ever increasing
- SALT working with DSAEs and local agencies to prioritize funding



Local Bridge Replacement Program (LBRP)

- \$21 million of \$30 million in bonds allocated to 76 projects* (~\$276k/project)
- \$4.8 million of \$11.2 million in MVLST allocated to 19 projects* (~254k/project)
- Additional projects on waiting list; reserve funds for BROS projects

* As of 2/11; Programs staff continues to work on funding bridges



Safe Routes to School (SRTS)

- \$3 million in SRTS grants
- SALT and Office of Transit and Active Transportation determining plan
- Fall 2021 solicitation to coincide with federal Transportation Alternatives solicitation



Questions?

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