



Transportation Project Funding Available

State Recreational Trails Fund

The Iowa Department of Transportation is now accepting applications for the annual State Recreational Trails program funding cycle. The appropriation for State Fiscal Year 2020 (SFY 2020) is \$1.5 million. Applications shall be either received via email by 5:00 pm to peggy.riecken@iowadot.us or postmarked by July 1, 2019. The application can be found by clicking **HERE**. An email submission must still be followed by receipt of a single signed color original of the completed application via U.S. mail.

Railroad Revolving Loan and Grant Program

The Railroad Revolving Loan and Grant (RRLG) Program provides financial assistance to improve rail facilities that will create jobs, spur economic activity and improve the rail transportation system in Iowa. The program is funded through appropriations from the state legislature and repayments from loans for rail development projects funded in the past. For this round, the Iowa Department of Transportation anticipates approximately \$3.9 million available for eligible projects.

The RRLG program has three funding categories under which eligible applicants may apply:

- 1) Targeted Job Creation.
- 2) Rail Network Improvement.
- 3) Rail Port Planning and Development.

Industries, railroads, local governments or economic development agencies are eligible to apply. Additional information regarding the Railroad Revolving Loan and Grants program can be found by clicking **HERE**.

The application deadline is 5:00 p.m. on June 21, 2019.

If your community is interested in submitting an application or you have questions regarding either of these programs, please contact any of the following Local Assistance Staff at the COG at 712-792-9914 or via email.

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