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TO: Small Urban Program Agencies

SUBJECT: FY 2011 Small Urban Program Call for Projects

Your community is eligible for Federal Surface Transportation Program funds that have been earmarked for areas of 5,000 to 50,000 populations (Small Urban Program). The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) will be accepting Small Urban Program project applications for FY 2011. In order to be eligible for funding, proposed projects must be within the federal-aid urban area boundary and must be located on the federal-aid highway system.

Projects are awarded to small urban areas on a rotating basis. The maximum federal amount awarded for a project is \$375,000 in federal dollars to which the implementing area must provide a 20 percent local match.

The federal transportation bill, the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, and Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users, expires on September 30, 2009. We have no idea what to expect as far as funding. Our hope is that the funding levels will increase, but there is no guarantee until federal legislation is reauthorized. While we at MDOT feel it is important to continue the planning process, we would be remiss in not reminding you of the precariousness of future funding. Therefore, keep this in mind as you plan your future construction program.

Information and instructions necessary to complete the planning process and project applications are available at www.michigan.gov/mdotmallurban. Please print copies of the updated instructions and other information from the website. For agencies unable to access the website, program information and instruction packets are available by mail upon request. Please call (517) 335-2948 to have the information mailed to you.

Project applications must be submitted to MDOT by May 1, 2009. If you have any questions regarding the Small Urban Program or would like an MDOT representative to attend your committee meeting, please contact Brandon Wilcox, Transportation Planner, at (517) 335-2948 or at wilcoxbl@michigan.gov.

Sincerely,

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