

Access Program Status Meeting

Ohio

February 4, 2014

Present: ODOT-Jerry Workman; LPA-Brett Boothe; FHWA-David Payne, Lewis Grimm

Teleconference Agenda Items:

- Introductions
- Status of funds
 - OH has been allocated \$849,192 in FY13.
 - FY14 funding anticipated to be about the same as FY13 finding level.
 - FY15 and beyond funding levels and to be determined with next Transportation Bill.
- Review of draft documents
 - SOPs
 - Establish PDC-ready for final posting
 - Call for projects
 - ODOT to provide rating criteria values
 - Goals or program in OH
 - Call for projects will be for 2 years and follow up with future Call for Projects for one or more years.
 - Projects with other funding sources shall secure the other funding source prior to application for FLAP project programming.
 - Projects that are included on the applicant's current program of projects will be considered ahead of new project proposals.
 - Projects that have prior public dollar investments will be considered ahead of new project proposals.
 - Program size will be evaluated after applications are received.
 - Projects are preferred to be at local level with multiple locations throughout state.
 - Projects are preferred to be in the \$250K range for project obligation.

- The funding match can be both the hard match (cash), or soft match, similar to Federal Aid Division Office soft match guidelines
 - Shovel ready projects will be given higher consideration.
 - All projects will be administered through ODOT or ODOT Local Public Assistance program.
 - Program Project Approval-ready for final posting
 - State-wide agreement- ODOT is not required to enter into the state-wide agreement and any warranted state-wide agreement conditions will be included in each future project agreement.
 - Project Proposal Application; on website
 - ODOT PDC notification letter; sent to ODOT 5/9/2013
- Website:
 - EFL Website On-line at: <http://www.efl.fhwa.dot.gov/programs/federal-lands-access.aspx>
 - OH Access website on-line at: <http://www.efl.fhwa.dot.gov/programs/fed-lands-ohio.aspx>
 - PDC Meetings
 - The PDC will meet at a yet to be agreed location for final project rating and ranking.
- Future timelines
 - Follow up PDC call to finalize call for projects schedule the week of February 3rd, 2014.
 - Program notification goal is to email the FLMA's and PDC prior to the call for projects in Ohio in February 2014.
 - Proposed call for projects will be posted from 2/24/14 to 4/28/14.
 - PDC goal to program projects by 6/2/14.

Action/Follow up items:

1. EFL will provide updates to OH Access Program page.
2. ODOT/LPA will notify local agencies at Call for Projects.
3. EFL will provide the draft project agreement template for PDC review.
4. EFL to provide FLMA contacts to PDC.
5. EFL to provide draft FLMA notification to PDC.