



Albany Area Metropolitan Planning Organization

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To All Interested Parties:

The Albany Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (AAMPO) is accepting applications for Federal Fiscal Year 2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018 Surface Transportation Program (STP) funds. Allocations of approximately \$670,000 will be considered for each year, totaling approximately \$2,700,000 over the four year period. STP funds are allocated to AAMPO on an annual basis, however, and actual funding levels may shift from year to year. Funds will be made available by ODOT during calendar years 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019 and will be programmed in the FFY15-18 AAMPO Transportation Improvement Program.

Applicants must be a tax-funded public agency that can enter into a contract with ODOT, with some restrictions, to be eligible to receive funding. Private entities or non-profit organizations may apply as co-applicants, in partnership with a public agency. Application guidance and information about project eligibility is included below. Applications will be evaluated based on the *Policy on Allocation of STP Funds* approved by the AAMPO Policy Board.

Completed applications must be received by 5:00 pm on October 30th, 2015. Applications may be submitted electronically to tconley@ocwcog.org or in hard copy to: c/o Theresa Conley, OCWCOG, 1400 Queen Ave SE Suite 205, Albany OR 97322.

The application form is attached to this announcement. It is also available on the AAMPO website at <http://www.ocwcog.org/aampo> or by e-mail from tconley@ocwcog.org.

Application Guidance

It is the policy of AAMPO to:

1. Allocate the majority of STP funds in each adopted Transportation Improvement Program to preservation and maintenance of the existing transportation system.
2. Provide support and give due considerations to all jurisdictions' projects, using an equitable review process.

The following project types may be considered for STP funds.

1. **Preservation and Maintenance:** Projects that improve or maintain the existing transportation system's operation, productivity, safety or useful life without expansion of capacity.
2. **Modernization:** Projects that add capacity to the transportation system in order to meet preservation and maintenance goals; this includes constructing new lanes, traffic lights, curb and gutter, sidewalks, bikeways and storm-water drainage, and widening the existing facilities.

Eligibility requirements for FFY15-18 AAMPO STP funds include the following:

1. Project must be within the AAMPO planning area
2. Project must be included in or consistent with the approved AAMPO Regional Transportation Plan.
3. Project must be eligible under current Federal guidelines as stated in 23 USC 133.
4. Roadway projects must occur on roadways functionally classified as collector or higher.
5. The project sponsor must demonstrate readiness and capacity to complete project, including the ability to provide the required match, ability to acquire sufficient funds to complete project, and ability to utilize the funds in the fiscal year requested.

For additional information, please contact Theresa Conley at (541) 924-4548 or tconley@ocwcog.org.

Sincerely,

Theresa Conley
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