



DES MOINES AREA MPO

Transportation Technical Committee Meeting

July 7, 2022



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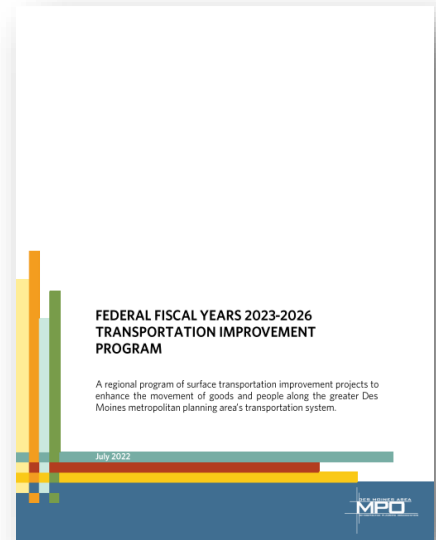
APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

PRESENTATION: NVI ADVANCED MATERIALS GROUP

FINAL FFY 2023-2026 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

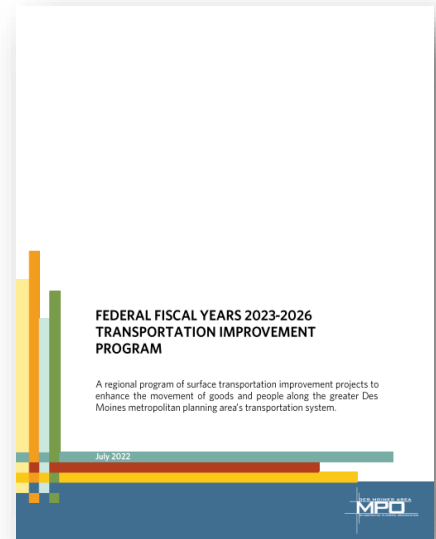
Final FFY 2023-2026 TIP

- Draft TIP submitted to Iowa DOT on **June 15th**
- Public input meeting held (hybrid) on **June 23rd**
 - No attendees (other than MPO staff) present or comments received outside of meeting time
- Final TIP due to the Iowa DOT on **July 15th**
 - Draft TIP comments received from Iowa DOT on July 1st, working through list of edits to projects and funding amounts/sources (mostly letting dates and project details)



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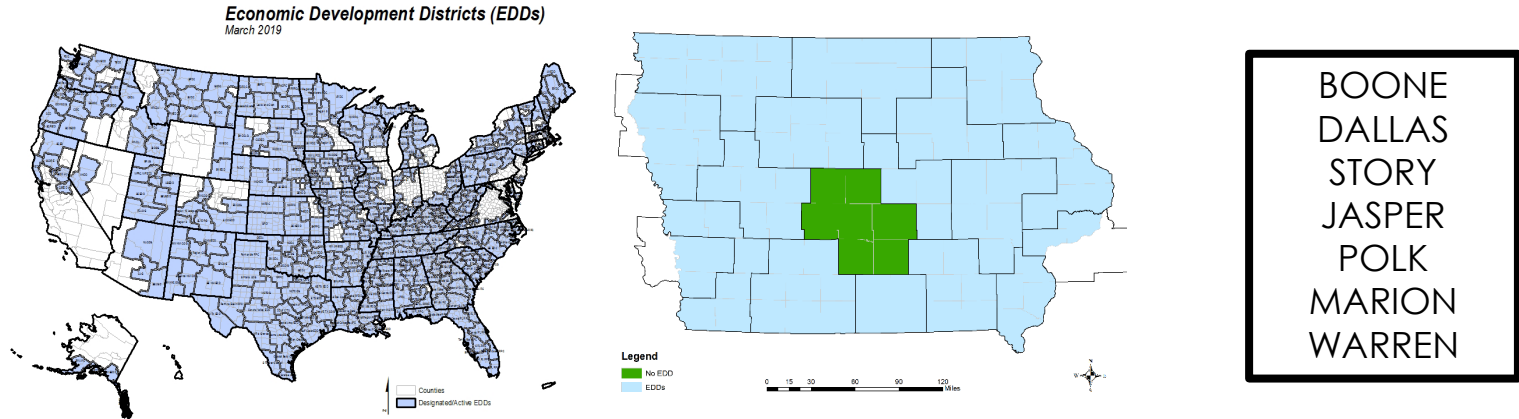
- Other than project updates, most notable change was SWAP to FA conversion
- Required by federal regulation to include the following documents in the final TIP:
 - Resolution of adoption by the planning organization
 - Self-certification of the metropolitan planning process
 - Certification of the financial capacity analysis



MIPA UPDATE

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT FOR CENTRAL IOWA

Background: Central Iowa is the state's only region without an Economic Development District (EDD). The region is qualified for an EDD for the first time since the 2008 floods, due the impacts of the pandemic and the 2020 derecho. The primary benefit of an EDD would be easier access to federal funding, bringing an additional layer of financing to economic development projects supporting jobs in Central Iowa. EDDs work collaboratively with other EDDs as well as state agencies such as the Iowa Economic Development Authority.



Definition: 1. An Economic Development District (EDD) is a **designation** by the U.S. Economic Development Administration given to regions that have experienced economic distress. Among other benefits, having an EDD designation improves the competitiveness of federal grant applications.

2. An EDD also refers to the federally required **EDD Organization** that supports the designated district. These are typically multi-jurisdictional entities, have public and private representation on the board of directors, and exist to support the region's economic development, notably in the seeking funding.

MAKING IOWA WHOLE

Mid-Iowa has been missing out on funding.

EDDs are often the first to receive EDA funding after major disasters.

For example, Mid-Iowa missed out on \$470,000 in no-match funding from the CARES Act because it lacked an EDD.

\$61.9 million in EDA investments in Iowa since 2018. Per-capita spending was six times higher outside Central Iowa.

\$3.2 million in Central Iowa
(~ \$4/person)

\$58.7 million outside Central Iowa
(~ \$25/person)

PHASE 1:
Weigh support

- **November to February**
- Stakeholder discussions
- County resolutions of support
- Concurrence from Governor's Office.



PHASE 2:
Create entity

- **March to August**
- Meet all criteria for formation of EDD.
- Form entity.
- Determine due structure.
- Form board.
- Develop and adopt CEDS.



PHASE 3:
Designation

- **Fall 2021**
- Submit materials for designation.
- Review process estimated at 2-3 months.
- Final approval from a deputy administrator.



PHASE 4: Launch
Operations

- **Late 2021 - Mid-2022**
- Determine membership
- Following designation, the entity would apply to participate in the EDA's Partnership Program, i.e., federal funding for admin costs.



UNANIMOUS SUPPORT

BOONE

DALLAS

STORY

JASPER

POLK

MARION

WARREN

STATE OF IOWA



KIM REYNOLDS
GOVERNOR

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

ADAM GREGG
LT GOVERNOR

August 30, 2021

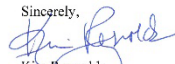
Angela Martinez, Regional Director
Denver Regional Office, U.S. Economic Development Administration
1244 Speer Boulevard Suite 431
Denver, CO 80204

Dear Director Martinez,

This letter affirms the state of Iowa's concurrence with the request for an Economic Development District (EDD) designation for the Mid-Iowa region, comprised of Boone, Dallas, Jasper, Marion, Polk, Story, and Warren Counties. These are the only counties in Iowa not currently designated as an EDD. Creating an EDD for the region is important for the ongoing economic development of Mid-Iowa.

Further, acting through the Iowa Economic Development Authority, the state has reviewed and concurs with the Mid-Iowa Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS).

Sincerely,


Kim Reynolds
Governor of Iowa


Debi Durham, Executive Director
Iowa Economic Development Authority

CC: Todd Ashby, Executive Director, Mid-Iowa Planning Alliance for Community Development

IT'S OFFICIAL: We're an EDD



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Economic Development Administration
Washington, D.C. 20230

January 26, 2022

Ms. Brenda Dryer
Chairman of the Mid Iowa Planning Alliance for
Community Development (MIPA)
420 Watson Powell Jr. Way, Suite 200
Des Moines, Iowa 50309

Dear Chairman Dryer:

I am pleased to inform you that the U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA) has approved the Mid Iowa Planning Alliance for Community Development's (MIPA) request for designation as an Economic Development District (EDD). The EDD is comprised of the Boone, Dallas, Jasper, Marion, Polk, Story and Warren Counties of Iowa.

EDA is committed to providing financial assistance to meet the economic development needs of distressed communities throughout the United States. Our mission is to lead the federal economic development agenda by promoting innovation and competitiveness, preparing American regions for growth and success in the worldwide economy. To that end, this designation will serve as a foundation for future economic successes that will benefit both families and businesses in your region.

I trust that this designation will strengthen the economies of the Mid Iowa region and wish you every success in carrying out your economic development activities. Ali DeVerseman, Economic Development Representative for the state of Iowa, will remain your primary point of contact regarding this designation and may be contacted by telephone at (605) 877-2866, or by email at alidverseman@eda.gov.

Your ongoing efforts to stimulate growth and business expansion through local economic development programs are greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Alejandra Y. Castillo

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Assistant Secretary of Commerce
for Economic Development



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MEMORANDUM OF OFFICIAL DESIGNATION OF AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

In accordance with Section 401 of the Public Works and Economic Development Act of 1965, as amended (42 U.S.C. § 3171), I hereby designate the Economic Development District identified below:

Name of EDD:

Mid Iowa Planning Alliance for Community Development

State:

Iowa

Regional Definition:

Boone, Dallas, Jasper, Marion, Polk, Story and Warren
Counties of Iowa.

Alejandra Y. Castillo

Assistant Secretary of Commerce
for Economic Development

Received notice
January 26 that
the Mid-Iowa
region has been
officially
designated an
Economic
Development
District by the U.S.
Economic
Development
Administration.

MEMBERSHIP: 56 Jurisdictions



Adel	Grimes	Mitchellville	Runnells
Altoona	Hartford	Monroe	Story City
Ames	Huxley	Nevada	Story County
Ankeny	Indianola	Newton	Sully
Baxter	Jasper County	Norwalk	Urbandale
Bondurant	Johnston	Oakland Acres	Valeria
Boone	Kellogg	Ogden	Van Meter
Cambridge	Knoxville	Pella	Waukee
Carlisle	Lambs Grove	Perry	West Des Moines
Clive	Lynnvile	Pleasant Hill	Windsor Heights
Colfax	Marion County	Pleasantville	Zearing
Cumming	Maxwell	Prairie City	
Des Moines	Melcher-Dallas	Polk County	
Dallas County	Milo	Reasnor	
Elkhart	Mingo	Roland	

Membership as of July 1, 2022
94% of Mid-Iowa population is covered

Benefits

- Relationships with federal agencies
- Access to disaster funds
- Grant writing & administration
- Membership support, e.g., technical assistance, map-making, local planning
- Option to contract with MIPA for local planning, such as comprehensive plans, zoning updates, or urban renewal plans
- Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS)
- Local project listed in the CEDS project list





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IOWA CLEAN AIR ATTAINMENT PROGRAM PRE-APPLICATIONS

Iowa Clean Air Attainment Program



- ICAAP Schedule
 - July 26, 2022 – Pre-Applications due to MPO
 - August 2022 – Pre-Applications presented to MPO Committees for review
 - September 2022 – Recommendation presented to Policy Committee and resolutions are forwarded to project sponsors
 - October 1, 2022 – Project sponsor submit their applications to the DOT

SAFE STREETS FOR ALL GRANT PROGRAM

Safe Streets and Roads for All Grant Program

- Discussed new program with Executive and Policy at June meetings
- Both supportive of staff looking at pursuing grant opportunity
- Next Steps:
 - Determine planning area to cover
 - Identify project cost and determine how to obtain local match
 - Bring proposal back to committees before submittal in September

UPCOMING EVENTS

Innovation Exchange: Aquatic Organism Passages



How stream-crossings can consider aquatic habitat and remove the risk of flooding impacts.



U.S. Department of Transportation
Federal Highway Administration

- Thursday, July 21
- 1-2 p.m.
- Zoom
 - Meeting ID: 160 008 8454
 - Passcode: 334309
- For more information, contact Karyn Vandervoort with FHWA's Office of Federal Lands at karyn.vandervoort@dot.gov

Growing Transportation – Mobility for All



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Growing Transportation – Mobility for All
IOWA • 2022

Innovative solutions through the exploration of case study and tapping into expertise from throughout the country.

- July 25 - 27, 2022
- Iowa Events Center
- Early Bird rates apply through March 15, 2022.
- Public and Private Sector rates available.
- Register at **maasto2022.com**

OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST

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