



# Illinois Department of Transportation

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Allocation of Surface Transportation Program Rural (STR) Funds and #03-04 State Matching Assistance Funds to the Counties

## COUNTY ENGINEERS/SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS

Attached is a list of the FFY 03 STR allocations for the downstate 96 counties along with the allocation of State Matching Assistance Funds.

The total amount of FFY 03 STR funds allocated to the counties is \$25,657,225 with \$22,883,856 to be distributed among the counties in Districts 2 through 9.

The formula for distribution of the STR funds to the downstate counties is as follows:

1. Ten percent divided equally among the downstate counties, Districts 2-9.
2. Balance allocated to the downstate counties on the basis of the following three factors with equal weight being given to each factor:
  - a. non-urban area
  - b. non-urban population
  - c. non-urban mileage (total all systems)

This year's distribution reflects the 2000 census and the 2001 Illinois Highway and Street Mileage Statistics non-urban mileage population totals. The non-urban area factor was not revised this year. The new 2000 census urban areas will be utilized in next year's distribution.

This year the formula for distribution of the \$4.0 million in state matching assistance is based on 57% federal funding and 43% local match. This matching ratio is variable each year and is generated to result in utilization of the entire state matching assistance amount. All counties with a shortfall under this formula receive full funding of the shortfall. A more detailed explanation of the state matching assistance program is attached.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact your district office.

Sincerely,

Darrell W. Lewis, P.E.  
Acting Engineer of Local Roads and Streets

Attachment

cc-District Engineers

## STATE MATCHING ASSISTANCE

The State Matching Assistance Program is designed to assist counties in matching federal funds when the county cannot derive sufficient matching funds from local taxation. Counties receive a Surface Transportation Program Rural (STR) allotment which may be used to fund up to 80% of eligible project costs. Counties are allowed to levy a Federal-aid matching tax to use for the local share. Although a 80/20 federal/local matching ratio is allowable for STR projects, a lower matching ratio is judged to be more equitable when determining the need for matching funds because the counties receive other Federal-aid funds (e.g. HBRRP, STU) in addition to STR funds that require a local match. Some counties do not have a sufficient tax base to generate the local funds needed for the match. The State Matching Assistance Program of \$4 million per year addresses this problem.

The county is required to levy a Federal-aid matching tax of at least .045% to be eligible for assistance. To receive the maximum amount it is required to have a tax rate of .05%. If the rate is .045%, the allocation is 90% of the maximum. If the rate is between .045% and .05%, the assistance is prorated. If the rate falls below .045%, the county may retain its eligibility for assistance if a permanent transfer of funds from a non-highway fund to the Federal-aid Matching Tax Fund is made to meet the equivalent of the minimum eligibility threshold.

The maximum assistance amount for each county is established as the difference between the amount required to match the county's STR allotment using a computer generated federal/local matching ratio and the funds generated by the county's Federal-aid matching tax. This matching ratio is variable each year and is generated to result in utilization of the entire State Matching Assistance amount. All counties with a shortfall under this formula receive full funding of the shortfall.

The amount of funds received by each county will vary from year to year. The variable amount of STR funds available each year and the local Equalized Assessed Valuation (EAV) as provided by the Department of Revenue have a direct correlation on the amount of funds to be disbursed based on shortfall. As an example, when the STR allotment increases, the poorer counties will have a greater need for additional match. Conversely, when the STR allotment decreases, the poorer counties will not have a need to match as much federal funding and therefore will require less state matching assistance funds.

State matching funds may be used for any federal-aid project.

**Lump-sum use:** If a county so desires, it may use its accumulated matching funds to defray any part or the entire non-federal portion of any local federal-aid project regardless of the Federal matching percentage. However, the State matching assistance must be committed as a lump-sum amount rather than a percentage of the project cost.

**Anticipation:** There can be no anticipation of State matching funds. In other words, no county can commit more State matching assistance funds to a project than it has available at the time of letting. However, existing agreements for active projects may be amended to increase the amount of State Matching Assistance when it becomes available.

## STP RURAL ALLOCATIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2003

COUNTY CODE	COUNTY	STP RURAL ALLOTMENT	STATEMATCH
001	ADAMS	356,072.79	0.00
003	ALEXANDER	122,657.46	69,109.99
005	BOND	169,340.53	64,351.30
007	BOONE	149,202.74	0.00
009	BROWN	128,607.27	65,529.33
011	BUREAU	342,571.32	18,704.47
013	CALHOUN	102,748.51	46,572.25
015	CARROLL	205,497.02	31,832.90
017	CASS	143,710.61	51,711.91
019	CHAMPAIGN	459,507.82	0.00
021	CHRISTIAN	287,192.39	14,648.58
023	CLARK	235,474.87	98,167.90
025	CLAY	188,791.81	86,086.23
027	CLINTON	294,057.54	60,283.66
029	COLES	214,421.73	0.00
031	COOK	0.00	0.00
033	CRAWFORD	197,716.51	36,010.18
035	CUMBERLAND	170,484.72	79,293.17
037	DEKALB	290,853.80	0.00
039	DEWITT	167,509.82	0.00
041	DOUGLAS	221,515.72	30,622.63
043	DUPAGE	0.00	0.00
045	EDGAR	229,753.91	53,201.05
047	EDWARDS	111,902.05	56,541.91
049	EFFINGHAM	247,374.48	0.00
051	FAYETTE	276,436.98	132,177.37
053	FORD	216,481.27	65,132.86
055	FRANKLIN	235,474.87	70,267.41
057	FULTON	328,841.01	84,976.02
059	GALLATIN	128,836.10	62,266.58

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061	GREENE	218,540.82	91,780.22
063	GRUNDY	236,619.07	0.00
065	HAMILTON	180,324.78	104,928.76
067	HANCOCK	320,145.14	123,768.31
069	HARDIN	86,043.29	47,246.07
071	HENDERSON	152,177.64	62,176.25
073	HENRY	338,681.06	0.00
075	IROQUOIS	437,310.48	119,714.32
077	JACKSON	260,418.28	0.00
079	JASPER	202,979.80	51,663.15
081	JEFFERSON	277,581.17	57,236.63
083	JERSEY	170,027.05	14,274.38
085	JODAVIESS	252,408.93	0.00
087	JOHNSON	159,729.31	81,792.59
089	KANE	0.00	0.00
091	KANKAKEE	325,179.59	0.00
093	KENDALL	294,972.90	0.00
095	KNOX	294,744.06	0.00
097	LAKE	0.00	0.00
099	LASALLE	506,648.57	0.00
101	LAWRENCE	191,766.71	94,032.96
103	LEE	293,142.19	0.00
105	LIVINGSTON	422,207.14	60,148.64
107	LOGAN	249,434.03	0.00
115	MACON	236,161.39	0.00
117	MACOUPIN	408,934.50	99,851.44
119	MADISON	317,627.92	0.00
121	MARION	249,891.70	55,953.42
123	MARSHALL	179,409.43	44,391.26
125	MASON	224,261.78	85,416.57

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127	MASSAC	119,911.40	19,042.50
109	MCDONOUGH	237,992.10	18,633.63
111	MCHENRY	0.00	0.00
113	MCLEAN	482,849.36	0.00
129	MENARD	155,152.54	24,366.11
131	MERCER	238,220.94	83,683.40
133	MONROE	161,560.02	0.00
135	MONTGOMERY	313,051.15	83,620.72
137	MORGAN	223,117.59	0.00
139	MOULTRIE	173,917.30	33,749.35
141	OGLE	386,508.32	0.00
143	PEORIA	294,286.38	0.00
145	PERRY	171,628.92	59,153.05
147	PIATT	191,995.55	5,398.69
149	PIKE	304,584.12	139,693.87
151	POPE	122,886.30	76,778.37
153	PULASKI	106,181.09	64,928.06
155	PUTNAM	91,764.26	17,730.00
157	RANDOLPH	270,487.17	57,958.64
159	RICHLAND	156,983.25	42,509.10
161	ROCK ISLAND	181,240.13	0.00
165	SALINE	193,368.58	62,797.58
167	SANGAMON	376,668.26	0.00
169	SCHUYLER	164,534.92	85,373.95
171	SCOTT	110,071.34	45,768.52
173	SHELBY	326,094.94	119,901.53
163	ST CLAIR	287,650.06	0.00
175	STARK	125,403.53	41,690.48
177	STEPHENSON	264,766.21	0.00
179	TAZEWELL	283,530.97	0.00

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181	UNION	166,365.63	61,392.54
183	VERMILION	351,038.35	0.00
185	WABASH	100,231.28	24,129.83
187	WARREN	203,895.15	35,512.92
189	WASHINGTON	229,982.75	95,874.43
191	WAYNE	267,283.43	135,094.90
193	WHITE	204,123.99	93,355.16
195	WHITESIDE	339,596.42	0.00
197	WILL	0.00	0.00
199	WILLIAMSON	265,452.72	0.00
201	WINNEBAGO	219,913.85	0.00
203	WOODFORD	309,161.35	0.00
	<b>FINAL TOTALS</b>	<b>22,883,856.00</b>	<b>4,000,000.00</b>