



Illinois Department of Transportation

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July 23, 2014

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FY 2016 TRUCK ACCESS ROUTE PROGRAM

COUNTY ENGINEERS/SUPERINTENDENTS OF HIGHWAYS
METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATIONS - DIRECTORS
MUNICIPAL ENGINEERS/PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTORS
CONSULTING ENGINEERS

The Department has proposed the Truck Access Route Program (TARP) continue to be funded in FY 2016 at its existing \$7 million funding level. If enabling legislation is passed and signed, we anticipate funding will be available for this program beginning in July 2015.

The TARP application form with instructions is attached. Each candidate project must have a completed application form and a project location map. Applications should include information pertaining to prior commitments by the Department, a description of industries, municipalities, and truck generators along the proposed route, projected growth in the area, and the number of trucks using the proposed route. The project location map should clearly identify the proposed route and each of the project termini. Information pertaining to phase construction that will complete a designated truck route, or if the project is part of a multi-stage construction project, should be provided.

Only roadway sections determined to be eligible for upgrading to a designated truck route will be funded from the program (unless phase construction is approved). Eligible routes must terminate at a designated truck route or municipality and begin at a truck generator, another designated truck route, or municipality on the opposite end. Roadway sections that were previously upgraded with TARP funds are not eligible for funding from this program. The TARP is not intended for use in pavement preservation or maintenance projects. The program will provide \$45,000 per lane mile and \$22,000 per eligible intersection, with total project funding up to one-half of the project cost, subject to a maximum of \$900,000 per project. TARP funds may be used for project construction only.

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Completed project applications and location maps should be submitted to your IDOT District Local Road's office no later than September 19, 2014. The project information will then be submitted to the Central Bureau of Local Roads no later than October 10, 2014 for review. Any questions regarding TARP funding should be directed to Steve Dwyer at (217) 782-3401. Questions regarding design issues should be addressed to the appropriate District Local Roads Field Engineer.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "James K. Klein". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J".

James K. Klein, P.E., S.E.
Acting Engineer of Local Roads and Streets

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Attachment

Illinois Truck Access Route Program (TARP) FY 2016 Application

*Please complete this application with as much information about the project as possible.

*Please include a location map with this application that clearly defines the proposed route and termini.

IDOT District		County	
Route Name		Route Number	
Functional Classification		Section Number	
Local Agency		Phased Project?	

Project Termini:

Beginning		Truck Route		Truck Generator		Municipality
Ending		Truck Route		Truck Generator		Municipality

List Intersections Between Designated Truck Routes And The Proposed Route That Will Be Improved

1)	
2)	
3)	

Project Length (feet)		ADT	
Project Length (miles)		ADTT	
Total Lane Miles			

Anticipated Letting Date	
Estimated Total Project Cost	
TARP Funds Requested	
List Other Fund Types To Be Used	1)
	2)
	3)

List All Truck Generators Including Municipalities and Industry Along The Proposed Route

1)	
2)	
3)	

List All Types Of Projected Growth In The Project Area

1)	
2)	

List All Current Surface Transportation Program (STR / STU) Projects In The Vicinity Of This Project

1)	
2)	

List All Prior Commitments Made By The Department With Regard To This Project

1)	
2)	

Application Instructions

IDOT District	Indicate the IDOT District within which the project is located.
County	Indicate the County within which the project is located.
Route Name	Indicate the name of the project route. (i.e. Main Street, Smith Road, etc.)
Route Number	Indicate the number of the project route. (i.e. CH 47, MS 255, etc.)
Functional Classification	Indicate the functional classification for the project route. (i.e. Arterial, Major Collector, etc.)
Section Number	Indicate the project section number.
Local Agency	Indicate the local agency that is the lead agency for the project.
Phased Project	Indicate yes or no if the project will be built in phases, and if yes, indicate which phase this is.
Project Termini	
Beginning	Check the appropriate box (truck route, generator, or municipality) for the beginning point of the project.
Ending	Check the appropriate box (truck route, generator, or municipality) for the ending point of the project.
Project Length (feet)	Indicate the total project length in feet.
ADT	Indicate the current average daily traffic for the proposed route.
Project Length (miles)	Indicate the total project length in miles.
ADTT	Indicate the current average daily truck traffic for the proposed route.
Anticipated Letting Date	Indicate the anticipated letting date for the proposed project.
Est. Total Project Cost	Indicate the total estimated cost to complete the proposed project.
TARP Funds Requested	Indicate the total amount of TARP funds requested for the project.
Other Fund Types	Indicate the additional fund type sources that will be used to complete the project.