



# Illinois Department of Transportation

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Allocation of State Matching  
Assistance Program Funds to the Counties

#02-13

## COUNTY ENGINEERS/SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS

Attached is a list by county of allocation of state matching assistance funds for FY 2002.

This year the formula for distribution of the \$4.0 million in state matching assistance is based on 61% federal funding and 39% 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.

Beginning this year, counties whose federal aid matching tax rate falls below the .045% minimum eligibility threshold may retain their eligibility for state matching 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.

All other requirements of the state match will remain unchanged. 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,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Darrell W. McMurray".

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

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Attachments

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## 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 country'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.

STATE MATCH ASSISTANCE ALLOCATIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2002  
IN ORDER BY COUNTY

COUNTY CODE	COUNTY	STATE MATCH ALLOTMENT
001	ADAMS	.00
003	ALEXANDER	65,868.32
005	BOND	63,759.85
007	BOONE	.00
009	BROWN	63,811.73
011	BUREAU	20,838.86
013	CALHOUN	46,059.84
015	CARROLL	36,058.62
017	CASS	50,244.20
019	CHAMPAIGN	.00
021	CHRISTIAN	19,475.10
023	CLARK	96,349.08
025	CLAY	84,991.15
027	CLINTON	60,289.33
029	COLES	.00
031	COOK	.00
033	CRAWFORD	31,533.75
035	CUMBERLAND	78,341.20
037	DEKALB	.00
039	DEWITT	.00
041	DOUGLAS	33,659.48
043	DUPAGE	.00
045	EDGAR	54,084.21
047	EDWARDS	54,410.29
049	EFFINGHAM	.00
051	FAYETTE	127,126.73
053	FORD	61,251.63
055	FRANKLIN	71,139.58
057	FULTON	83,060.31
059	GALLATIN	60,455.48
061	GREENE	88,698.17
063	GRUNDY	.00
065	HAMILTON	101,456.59
067	HANCOCK	122,121.18
069	HARDIN	51,445.45
071	HENDERSON	60,901.34
073	HENRY	.00
075	IROQUOIS	113,374.84
077	JACKSON	.00
079	JASPER	62,489.02
081	JEFFERSON	58,317.61
083	JERSEY	17,329.71
085	JODAVIESS	.00
087	JOHNSON	79,832.51
089	KANE	.00
091	KANKAKEE	.00
093	KENDALL	.00
095	KNOX	.00
097	LAKE	.00
099	LASALLE	.00
101	LAWRENCE	89,907.92

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COUNTY CODE	COUNTY	STATE MATCH ALLOTMENT
103	LEE	.00
105	LIVINGSTON	56,898.34
107	LOGAN	.00
109	MCDONOUGH	33,452.64
111	MCHENRY	.00
113	MCLEAN	.00
115	MACON	.00
117	MACOUPIN	102,310.04
119	MADISON	.00
121	MARION	55,854.16
123	MARSHALL	45,721.18
125	MASON	84,241.94
127	MASSAC	20,424.52
129	MENARD	27,060.85
131	MERCER	83,662.79
133	MONROE	.00
135	MONTGOMERY	81,359.16
137	MORGAN	.00
139	MOULTRIE	38,180.07
141	OGLE	.00
143	PEORIA	.00
145	PERRY	59,412.51
147	PIATT	9,463.37
149	PIKE	132,557.52
151	POPE	76,014.98
153	PULASKI	63,456.67
155	PUTNAM	19,061.92
157	RANDOLPH	55,814.69
159	RICHLAND	43,031.70
161	ROCK ISLAND	.00
163	ST CLAIR	.00
165	SALINE	59,227.03
167	SANGAMON	.00
169	SCHUYLER	77,053.66
171	SCOTT	52,305.04
173	SHELBY	120,135.60
175	STARK	42,442.99
177	STEPHENSON	.00
179	TAZEWELL	.00
181	UNION	74,000.71
183	VERMILION	.00
185	WABASH	24,013.26
187	WARREN	37,660.06
189	WASHINGTON	95,914.01
191	WAYNE	130,182.39
193	WHITE	90,403.12
195	WHITESIDE	.00
197	WILL	.00
199	WILLIAMSON	.00
201	WINNEBAGO	.00
203	WOODFORD	.00

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COUNTY CODE	COUNTY	STATE MATCH ALLOTMENT
FINAL TOTALS		4,000,000.00

102 RECORDS TOTALED