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The Transportation Enhancement (TE) Program is pleased to announce funding awards for the following 9 projects, located in 9 counties throughout Michigan. Federal TE funds total \$3,051,499 with \$1,210,999 in match from local communities and partners. Total project investment into these communities will be \$4,262,498. Below is a brief project description and cost summary for each project.

Antrim County

MDOT will construct 8-foot wide paved shoulders along a six (6) mile stretch of US-31 from Barnes Road, three (3) miles south of Torch Lake Village, to Old Dixie Highway, one (1) mile north of Eastport. This project will provide an added 5' of shoulder width to the existing 3', creating a total of 8', giving cyclists greater separation from road traffic, thereby improving safety. This project has high regional significance as a cycling route, connecting Traverse City and Petoskey with a safe, bike friendly route that will connect four counties. The project budget is \$936,141, with \$748,913 in federal TE funds and \$187,228 in matching funds from MDOT. Construction is expected in 2008.

Grand Traverse County

MDOT, in partnership with the Village of Kingsley, will construct a streetscape project on M-113 in downtown Kingsley. This project will be coordinated with several other projects, including: a proposed water main and street improvement project involving Clark, Whipple and Pearl Streets and a 2008 MDOT road construction project to improve M-113. The M-113 streetscape project will significantly improve the M-113 (Main Street) corridor by correcting many existing grading and drainage problems and by installing comprehensive streetscape improvements similar to the work recently done by the Village of Kingsley on South Brownson Avenue. Improvements include patterned colored concrete, sidewalk accents, contrasting patterned colored concrete pedestrian crosswalks, park benches, trash receptacles, planters, bike racks, decorative street lighting, trees and cast iron tree grates. The project budget is \$283,088, with \$226,470 in federal TE funds and \$56,618 in matching funds from MDOT. Non-participating costs total \$237,212. Construction is expected in 2008.

Gratiot County

MDOT, in partnership with the city of Alma, will streetscape Superior Street (US-27 Business Route), from Park Avenue to Pine Avenue in the city of Alma, Gratiot County. Proposed work is concentrated to improve aesthetics and safety of pedestrian crossings at six intersections within the corridor. Streetscape elements include stamped and colored concrete crosswalks, historically appropriate street lights, decorative pavers, planters, and tree grates. The project budget is \$512,599 including \$410,079 federal funds, and \$102,520 in matching funds from MDOT. The city of Alma is contributing \$155,100 in non-participating project costs including curb and gutter for the bump-outs as part of this project. The project will be constructed in conjunction with MDOT roadwork scheduled for 2008.

Houghton County

MDOT will improve safety for bicyclists by paving 5.3 miles of 8' wide paved shoulders on M-26 from Airport Park Road to Henwood North Road in Osceola Township, Houghton County. The project is scheduled to be completed along with a road project in 2008. The total project cost is \$525,916 including \$420,733 federal funds, and \$105,183 from MDOT.

Isabella County

MDOT will repair and enhance a storm water outlet along M-20 in the City of Mt. Pleasant. The outlet failed in 2006 and has resulted in increased run off into nearby wetlands. The repairs include a new outlet pipe, improved access to the site and a retaining wall to control erosion of the nearby slope. The project budget is \$281,887, with \$225,510 in federal TE funds, \$51,444 in match from MDOT and \$4,933 in match from the City of Mt. Pleasant. Construction is expected in 2008.

Mecosta County

MDOT, in partnership with the Village of Remus, will install aesthetic and pedestrian friendly improvements on M-20 (Wheatland Avenue) between Maple and Hewlett streets and on M-66 (Sheridan Street) from Church Street to West Michigan Avenue, in Wheatland Township in Mecosta County. The streetscape project will enhance the crossroads and the central business district corridor by adding amenities such as lights, benches and planter pots. This project will also connect Historical Museum with the existing sidewalks within the village and provide better lighting as well as aesthetic and pedestrian improvements through the village center. The entire project budget (design and construction) is \$287,667, including \$230,134 in federal funds and \$57,533 in matching funds from the Remus DDA.

Howard City TSC to provide PE/CE services (as a participating cost) as well as selection/approval of design engineering consultant. Design consultant engineering costs to be paid as non-participating costs by Remus DDA. All work to be AASHTO compliant. Intersection striping will be done separate from this project and will be coordinated through the Howard City TSC. Project implementation is expected to be completed by spring of 2008.

Kent County

The Kent County Road Commission, in partnership with Grand Rapids Charter Township, will construct a 3.5 mile trail. Phase I will include construction of the trail system from the Ada/Cascade Trail systems near Ada Drive at Forest Hill Avenue to Fulton Street. Phase I will also include construction of the trail along Crahen Avenue from Canterwood Drive to Leonard Street and along Leonard Street to the existing trail at Winter Woods Drive. Phase II will be completed with other funds after railroad crossing issues are resolved. The project budget is \$850,000, including \$331,500 in federal funds and \$518,500 from Grand Rapids Charter Township and private funds. Construction is expected to begin in 2008.

Missaukee County

MDOT, in cooperation with the City of Lake City, will provide streetscape improvements along M-55, between M-66 and Houghton Street in Lake City in conjunction with a street reconstruction project of M-55. The improvements include decorative streetlights, walkways, and street trees. The total project budget is \$250,000, with \$190,000 in Federal TE funds, \$50,000 in match from MDOT and \$10,000 in match from the City of Lake City. Construction is expected in 2008.

Tuscola County

The Michigan Department of Transportation will pave 6' shoulders (3' TE funded and 3' CPM funded) on M-15 for nonmotorized use from Emerson Street in Vassar, to M-46 in Tuscola County. M-15 is a Recreational Heritage Route. The budget for the project is \$335,199 with \$268,159 in federal TE funds and \$67,040 in match from MDOT. The shoulder paving will be done in conjunction with a CPM overlay project on M-15 scheduled for 2008.