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FY 2024 TRUCK ACCESS ROUTE PROGRAM (TARP)

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The Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT or Department) has announced that it is accepting applications for the Truck Access Route Program (TARP).

(TARP) will continue to be funded in FY 2024 at the \$7.0 million funding level. It is anticipated that funding will be available for this program beginning in July 2023.

The TARP application form with instructions is attached herewith for your convenience. Each candidate project must have a completed application form and a project location map with its application. In addition, 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 initiate or complete a designated truck route should also 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. 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. Importantly, 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 Roads and Streets office no later than **November 28, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.** Project award notifications are anticipated to be announced during the week of December 19, 2022.

In summary, each candidate application submittal should contain the following information:

1. Cover letter from the Local Public Agency
2. TARP project application form
3. Project location map
4. Narrative of the proposed project
5. Project cost estimate
6. Photographs of the existing facility

Any questions regarding TARP funding should be directed to Mr. Stephane B. Seck-Birhame, Local Program Development Engineer by telephone at (217) 782 – 3972 or by email at Bablibile.Seck@Illinois.gov. Questions regarding design issues should be addressed to the appropriate District Local Roads Field Engineer.

Sincerely,



George A. Tapas, P.E, S.E
Engineer of Local Roads and Streets

Attachments

cc: Rick Johnson, Illinois Association of County Engineers
Brad Cole, Illinois Municipal League
Jerry Crabtree, Township Officials of Illinois
Arnold Vegter, Township Highway Commissioners of Illinois

Illinois Truck Access Route Program (TARP) FY 2024 Application

Project Information

IDOT District		Functional Classification	
County		Route Name / Number	
Local Public Agency		Section Number	
Is this a phased project?	----->	If "yes" which phase?	
Project Length (feet)		ADT	
Project Length (miles)		ADTT	
Number of Lanes	----->	Total Lane Miles	

Project Termini

What is the project beginning termini?		
Is this a truck route, municipality, or truck generator?		
What is the project ending termini?		
Is this a truck route, municipality, or truck generator?		

Eligible Intersections

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

1)	
2)	
3)	

Programming Information

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

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

1)	
2)	

Additional Documentation

1) A narrative of the proposed project improvements and the truck generators in the area	Included?
2) Location map highlighting proposed route and termini	
3) Photographs of the proposed route / truck generators	
4) Project cost estimate	

Application Instructions

Project Information

IDOT District	Indicate the IDOT District within which the project is located.
County	Indicate the County within which the project is located.
Local Public Agency	Indicate the local public agency that is the lead agency for the project.
Is this a phased project?	Indicate "yes" or "no"
Project Length (feet)	Indicate the net total project length in feet.
Project Length (miles)	Indicate the net total project length in miles.
Number of lanes	Indicate the number of traffic lanes (including bi-directional turn lanes) on the project.
Functional Classification	Indicate the functional classification for the project route. (i.e. Arterial, Collector)
Route Name / Number	Indicate the name and number of the project route. (i.e. John's Creek Road / CH 45)
Section Number	Indicate the project section number.
If "yes" which phase?	If this is a phased project, indicate which phase this application is for.
ADT	Indicate the current average daily traffic for the proposed route.
ADTT	Indicate the current average daily truck traffic for the proposed route.
Total Lane Miles	Multiply the number of lanes by the net project length (miles)

Project Termini

What is the project beginning termini?	Indicate the road name, business name, or municipality where the project will begin.
Is this a truck route, municipality, or truck generator?	Indicate which of these the beginning termini is.
What is the project ending termini?	Indicate the road name, business name, or municipality where the project will end.
Is this a truck route, municipality, or truck generator?	Indicate which of these the ending termini is.

Eligible Intersections

List only those intersections between the proposed route and existing designated truck routes that will be improved as part of the proposed project.

Programming Information

Anticipated Letting Date	Indicate the anticipated letting date for the proposed project.
Estimated 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. (\$45,000 per lane mile, \$22,000 per eligible intersection, \$900,000 max)
List Other Fund Types to be Used	Indicate the additional fund type sources that will be used to complete the project.

Truck Generators

List the major truck generators along the proposed route.

Projected Growth

List the projected growth in the project area which may lead to an increase in the ADTT on this route.

Prior Commitments

List any project commitments from IDOT for this project or any commitments made by the lead agency.

Additional Documentation

Please supply the additional documentation with the project application.

Cover letter from the local public agency, Uniform Grant Application for State Assistance, TARP project application, Uniform Grant Budget, Programmatic Risk Assessment, project location map, narrative of the proposed project, project cost estimate, photographs of the existing facility, and Conflict of Interest Form