

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS Nebraska • Department • of • Roads

County Bridge Match Program

What is County Bridge Match Program (CBMP)?

The Nebraska Department of Roads County Bridge Match Program (CBMP) provides funding to counties for the innovative replacement and repair of Structurally Deficient (SD) bridges. For an overview of the program and selection criteria, please review the Transportation Innovation Act County Bridge Match Program Selection Criteria at the following link:

http://www.roads.nebraska.gov/media/5777/county-bridge-match-criteria.pdf

Funding Distribution Amount and Method

This Request for Proposals will distribute \$4.0 million for replacement and repair of SD county bridges. Funding will be distributed in proportion to the SD bridges in the respective NACO Districts.

NACO District	% Structurally Deficient	Funds Available (up to)
Southeast	40%-45%	\$1,800,000
Northeast	25%-30%	\$1,200,000
Central	15%-20%	\$800,000
West Central	5%-10%	\$400,000
Panhandle	2%-5%	\$200,000

Selected proposals will receive 55% of the bridge construction costs, up to \$150,000 for any individual bridge.

Proposal Caps and Application Requirements

Counties may submit one or more of each of the following:

- Single bridge proposal \$150,000 max of CBMP funds
 - o Counties submitting more than one single bridge proposal shall prioritize their proposals.
 - o For selected proposals of bridges/culverts built with county forces, CBMP funds will be limited to the material invoice costs for the bridge/culvert. The County's share of the project will be equipment, labor, etc. for the removal of the existing bridge/culvert and construction of the new or repaired bridge/culvert.
- Multi Bridge Single county proposal \$200,000 max of CBMP funds for total proposal
- Multi Bridge Multi County proposal \$600,000 max of CBMP funds for total proposal (\$150,000 max of CBMP funds per bridge)
 - If counties are in different NACO districts, funds will be used from each of the appropriate Districts
 - Only one county will submit the application for Multi-County proposals.

What types of proposals are eligible to apply for CBMP funds?

Bridges must meet the following eligibility requirements.

- 1. Structurally deficient as reported in the Nebraska Bridge Inventory Data on August 26, 2016.
- 2. Bridge sized structure (shown in the NBI greater than 20 feet in length)
- 3. Located on a roadway classified as a Local Road or by the above (in the State Functional Classification)
 - No Minimum Maintenance Roads (SD Bridges on Min Maintenance Roads may be eligible for removal)
- 4. Bridges that have not been advertised for bids for construction.

Project Selection Criteria

Criteria	Examples that could be considered for scoring		
Innovation	Unique ideas, partnerships/bundling, eliminate redundant bridges		
Cost or Time Savings	Savings during construction, long term savings, construction with county forces		
Sustainability or Transferability of Innovation	Easy to transfer, simplicity, can be used in multiple locations	10%	
Long Term Maintenance Savings	New technology or materials, corrosion resistance, low maintenance, ease of preservation	10%	
Project Significance/Risk	Importance of bridge, community impact	20%	
Needs	Formula based on percentage of structural deficient bridges		
Equity	Formula based on number of previous selected projects		

Design Requirements

All bridges shall include approved bridge rails (TL-2 or TL-3) and approach guardrail with appropriate anchorages and terminations. Examples are the Midwest Roadside Safety Facility MGS Bridge Rail System, and the Texas Transportation Institute T631 Bridge Rail System.

Application Process

The application process is the following process:

- **Step 1:** Counties to complete the Application Form; located at http://roads.nebraska.gov/media/5877/bridge-match-application-form.xlsx and submit to NDOR prior to the Close of Business on November 28, 2016.
- **Step 2:** NDOR will review applications for eligibility and completeness.
- **Step 3:** NDOR's Selection Committee will review and score the project applications.
- **Step 4:** NDOR will notify counties that have been selected with a successful application by January 9, 2017. (Successful applications will be listed online)
- Step 5: NDOR and county will enter into a Program Agreement for funding the selected proposal.
- **Step 6:** Selected proposals must be constructed by end of December 31, 2018 to remain eligible for CBMP funding.

Schedule

Request for proposals published: October 14, 2016
Proposals due: November 28, 2016
Announcement of selected proposals: January 9, 2017

Program Agreement executed: No Later than March 31, 2017

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