



Rockford Metropolitan Agency For Planning

September 20, 2010

Mr. Curtis M. Jones  
 Illinois Department of Transportation  
 IDOT Office of Planning and Programming  
 2300 South Dirksen Parkway  
 Springfield, IL 62764

Dear Curtis,

On September 16, 2010, I had a discussion with John Donovan at the Illinois-Division of the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) regarding a Transportation Enhancement (TE) project for the Rockford Metropolitan Agency for Planning (RMAP). This project (which is listed below) is currently in our adopted/approved FY 2010 – 2013 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) 1<sup>st</sup> Year/Previously Approved Projects. IDOT is programming **\$1,261,000.00** ARRA funds to RMAP to meet the funding obligation time frame of these funds. As such, the City of Rockford will now receive ARRA TE funds from this federal funding source and previously approved TE funds from the Surface Transportation Program (STP) for the Downtown Riverwalk project.

**TABLE 9  
 PREVIOUSLY APPROVED PROJECTS  
 FY 2010 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP)**

Agency	Project #	Project Name	From - To	Improvement	Total Cost (\$000)	Federal Revenue	Other Revenue	FY 2010- FY 2013 Cost (\$000)
City of Rockford	3-07-E-1	Downtown Riverwalk	Whitman Street to Davis Park	Bikeway, Pedestrian Facilities, Lighting, Landscaping, Land Acquisition & Reconstruction	\$1,576	ARRA-TE RMAP	MFT	\$1,261
	3-00-E-1							\$ 315
		Downtown Riverwalk	Whitman Street to Davis Park	Bikeway, Pedestrian Facilities, Lighting, Landscaping, Land Acquisition & Reconstruction	\$2,669	STP-E	MFT	\$2,135 \$ 534

STP-E (Surface Transportation Program – Enhancement) funds [80% Federal funds]  
 ARRA (American Recovery and Reinvestment Act) funds [80% Federal funds]  
 MFT – (Motor Fuel Tax) funds [local funds / match]

This modification is being made so that the above-mentioned project in the FY2010 TIP will reflect the funding changes that are distributed among the different federal and local funding sources.

Over the past several years, the City of Rockford has held numerous public events and open houses regarding the Downtown Riverwalk Transportation Enhancement project. Attached is the most recent open

house/ workshop that was held on August 4, 2010. Based upon these public events and that RMAP just adopted the 2040 RMAP Long Range Transportation Plan on July 29, 2010, RMAP believe that the public has been afforded sufficient opportunities for review and comment.

Following the adopted policy in the RMAP TIP, RMAP has made the determination that this request does not constitute a significant change and therefore is eligible to be changed in accordance with the Administrative Modification process. RMAP has made this determination because this project has already been programmed using a federal funding source and will not affect the total funding amount, expand the scope of the project or impact any additional approved project in the FY 2010 – 2013 TIP and the pending FY 2011 – 2014 RMAP TIP.

If you have any questions or comments, please cal me of 815/987-5638 or email me at [gary.mcintyre@rockfordil.gov](mailto:gary.mcintyre@rockfordil.gov)

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gary W. McIntyre". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "G".

Gary W. McIntyre  
RMAP Planner

pc: Dan Long, IDOT-District 2  
Patrick Zuroske, City of Rockford

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## PRESS RELEASE

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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

**CONTACT INFORMATION:**

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Capital Program Manager**

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**July 29, 2010**

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### **Riverwalk- Museum Campus Open House / Workshop**

Wednesday, August 4, 2010 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

There will be an Open House / Workshop to review the final plans and provide comment for the Riverwalk-Museum Campus project. The Open House / Workshop will be on Wednesday, August 4, 2010, from 1:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., in the Kresge Hall of the Riverfront Museum located at 711 North Main Street, Rockford, Illinois.

Members of the community, including all Riverfront Museum Campus and Downtown Stakeholders are invited to the Open House / Workshop to review the review the final plans and to provide comment for the Riverwalk-Museum Campus project.

“We are getting close to seeing this plan become a reality that will be a boon to the community, said Patrick Zuroske, Capital Program Manager for the City of Rockford. The major elements of the project have been clarified, we are meeting to seek final comments on some of the finer design details”.

We look forward to seeing you on August 4, 2010.

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