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To: City & Town Managers/ Select County Administrators

Subject: FY 2021 Local State of Good Repair (SGR)/ Primary Extension Paving and Bridge Programs - **Call for Applications and Submittals**

We are pleased to announce that the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) is soliciting for FY2021 submittals of both the SGR pavement and bridge programs. Again this year, localities should use the Smart Portal for submitting all paving applications and bridge notification forms for the State of Good Repair (SGR) and primary extension programs at the following link: <https://smartportal.virginiahb2.org/> (Note: Each locality should have an organizational administrator within your organization for access to Smart Portal. If you encounter issues please contact [SmartPortal@CTB.Virginia.gov](mailto:SmartPortal@CTB.Virginia.gov) or your local VDOT contact to obtain login credentials or with any questions/concerns with the smart portal system.)

For the Primary Extension pavement program, the pavement must have a combined condition index of less than 60 with additional points being applied if on the National Highway System (NHS), along with expenditure data from the Weldon Cooper Center and the Average Annual Daily Traffic volume information. CTB formula sunset in FY2020 and State of Good Repair funds are anticipated to be fully implemented in FY2021. Primary Extension paving again this year and will be prioritized based on the scoring process for those projects that qualify. As a reminder, the Primary Extension pavement program must follow the federal process beginning with the FY2021 application cycle. With this change, VDOT has proposed to increase the amount each locality with qualifying routes may apply for to \$1,500,000 (for all projects) of available funds annually. We have also proposed more time to require all projects which receive funding be awarded within 12 months of approval or be subject to deallocation. These proposals are scheduled for CTB consideration on October 17<sup>th</sup>.

For the SGR bridge program, similar to last year, bridges must be part of the National Bridge Inventory (NBI) and Structurally Deficient (SD) in order to receive SGR funds. The terms "NBI" and "SD" have been defined by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). Certain culverts are classified by FHWA as "NBI bridges". Generally, NBI bridges are those that are greater than or equal to 20' in length, including culverts that are 20' or greater from ends of clear openings. Please note that all SD NBI bridges contained in the Smart Portal for your locality will require the submittal of a Notification Form and all forms must be complete in order to submit.

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Bridge Work Notification Forms submitted for FY2020 that requested State of Good Repair funding have been added to the Smart Portal for updates and resubmittal.

Applications for the SGR paving program for the fiscal year starting July 1, 2020 (FY2021) and notification forms for the SGR bridge program must be submitted through the Smart Portal by **5:00 PM** on **December 13, 2019**.

Additional information, including the revised SGR submittal requirements and process are available at the following webpage:

[http://www.virginiadot.org/business/local\\_assistance\\_division\\_funding\\_programs.asp](http://www.virginiadot.org/business/local_assistance_division_funding_programs.asp)

Please share with your staff and others as you deem appropriate. If you have questions about the programs, you can contact me at (804) 786-3438 or by email at [Todd.Halacy@VDOT.Virginia.gov](mailto:Todd.Halacy@VDOT.Virginia.gov). You may also contact Yolanda Newton at (804) 786-0334 or by email at [Yolanda.Newton@VDOT.Virginia.gov](mailto:Yolanda.Newton@VDOT.Virginia.gov).

Sincerely,



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