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MEMORANDUM

TO: COUNTY ENGINEERS

FROM: Michele Risko, CSTP/LBR Program Manager

SUBJECT: Load Rating #4, PID 92742: Application for Bridges and Culverts

DATE: January 17, 2012

CEAO is making it a priority to assist you in meeting the deadline to have your federal bridges load rated. Therefore CEAO has made an additional \$3 million of LBR funding available for load rating projects, and applications for this funding are now being accepted. Applications can be for any NBIS bridges and culverts; and as explained in the attachments, can also be for additional work to complete the fracture critical plans on previously load rated fracture critical bridges.

Applications must be submitted to CEAO by Friday, February 24, 2012 for funding consideration. This project will follow the same process as the first three CEAO bridge load rating projects. Attached is a blank funding application form, a task performance request check sheet, and a list of notes from the CEAO Federal Bridge QA/QC Engineer, Mark Stockman. It is highly recommended that you read these notes prior to determining which structures you will be including in your application. Please keep in mind that you will need to begin your consultant selection early because it is likely to take several weeks for the consultant to prepare the fee proposals required for the project application.

The other forms you will need for the project including the consultant rating form, consultant task list cost proposal, and consultant contract template can all be found on the CSTP page of the CEAO website <http://www.ceao.org/CSTPpage/CSTPLBRinfo.htm> under CSTP/LBR News. The consultant Statements of Qualification can also be found under the same heading, but are on a password protected page.

Because additional engineering consultants have been added since the first three load rating projects, counties will be required to perform a new quality-based consultant selection for this project. However, if your project is estimated to cost less than \$50,000, you may direct-select a consultant.

If there are any questions or further explanation is needed regarding any of this information, please feel free to contact this office at (614) 221-0707.