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MEMORANDUM

TO: ALL OHIO COUNTY ENGINEERS

FROM: Andrew Kelly, CEAO Program Manager

SUBJECT: CSTP, HSIP, Guardrail, Pavement Marking, & Raised Pavement Marker Project Applications

DATE: January 31st, 2026

This office wishes to notify you that applications for CSTP, HSIP, Guardrail, Pavement Marking, and Raised Pavement Marker projects are now being accepted by CEAO. Funding for these projects will be in fiscal year 2031. Applications are due to the CEAO Office by Friday, March 7th, 2026. Any applications previously submitted that were not approved for funding must be resubmitted on the appropriate enclosed application form.

CSTP projects will be funded at 80% federal up to a \$2 million federal maximum. They will be prioritized by the amount of funds a County currently has programmed with CEAO (LBR, CSTP, and HSIP) divided by County roadway mileage. The CSTP Funding Priority list is enclosed as well as a blank CSTP application form. Please note that CEAO can accept applications for projects on roadways classified as rural minor collectors. However, funds for these projects are limited, and they are contingent upon Congress including the rural minor collector special provision in the next transportation bill.

HSIP projects will also be funded at 80% federal. A map of eligible project locations in your county can be found on the ODOT website: [MapRoom \(state.oh.us\)](http://MapRoom.state.oh.us). If you wish to apply for a location that is not on the map, please submit the crash data for that location to CEAO for a determination of eligibility prior to submitting your HSIP application. Applications will be ranked according to the criteria on the enclosed application form. You may complete the application using intersection and/or roadway section crash data from ODOT's TIMS system. This data may be modified if you track your own data or have another crash data system available to you. If you do not already have access to ODOT's TIMS system and would like access, please e-mail Caraline Griffith at caraline.griffith@dot.ohio.gov.

Guardrail, Pavement Marking, and Raised Pavement Marker projects will be funded at 100% federal up to a maximum of \$300,000 for guardrail projects, \$150,000 for pavement marking projects, and \$75,000 for raised pavement marker projects. They will be ranked according to the criteria on the enclosed application forms. For the County Crash Priority Ranking scoring criteria on these project applications, counties have again been ranked statewide based on the average applicable crash rate for the past five years.

If you have any questions or need any further information, please contact this office at (614) 221-0707.