
Highway Program

Project and Program Delivery Manual

Chapter 3

Programming and Funding

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The Five-Year Program encompasses investments in aviation, transit, railroads, trails, and highways. This document focuses on the highway section of the Five-Year Program. Program Management Bureau has published a brochure outlining the development of the Highway Program. It is available here:

https://iowadot.gov/program_management/investing_in_iowas_future.pdf

The process is broken into 4 general steps:

1. Identifying projects.
2. Establishing programming objectives.
3. Evaluating potential projects.
4. Developing the final program.

As part of step 2. Establishing programming objectives, the available funding is divided into 6 program categories.

1. Interstate Stewardship (4R)
2. Non-Interstate Pavement Modernization (3R)
3. Non-Interstate Bridge Modernization (BR)
4. Safety Reserve (SR)
5. Major Interstate Capacity/System Enhancement (MI)
6. Non-Interstate Capacity/System Enhancement (NR)

During steps 3 and 4, Program Management groups the potential projects into these 6 categories for the Transportation Commission to review.

There are additional program categories shown in Masterworks, but these are subcategories to help the DOT better track initiatives within each category.

The Transportation Commission also approves Line Item funding that is listed near the back of the Highway Program. This is funding that is managed by an assigned DOT staff member rather than explicitly broken out in the Program.

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