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Transportation Enhancement funds application deadline is November 20

North Dakota counties, communities, and nonprofit groups have until Thursday, November 20, 2008, to apply for federal Transportation Enhancement (TE) funds. The funds are administered by the North Dakota Department of Transportation (NDDOT).

Application information is available on the following NDDOT website:

<http://www.dot.nd.gov/divisions/localgov/transenhance.htm> If you have questions about the TE program, please contact Mr. Bennett Kubischta, Local Government Division, NDDOT by calling him at 701-328-3555 or e-mailing him at bkubisch@nd.gov.

TE projects must have a direct relationship to surface transportation and must be designed to strengthen the cultural, aesthetic, or environmental aspects of the Nation's transportation system. They must also fall into at least one of the three categories: bicycle and pedestrian facilities, environmental and scenic projects, or historic projects.

Projects in or near Grand Forks, Fargo/West Fargo, or Bismarck/Mandan must be submitted to the NDDOT through the local Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO). Application submittals to the local MPO offices are as follows: Fargo Moorhead Council of Governments, October 9, 2008, Grand Forks/East Grand Forks MPO, November 5, 2008, Bismarck Mandan MPO, November 6, 2008.