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Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside Awards

(Rock Island, July 19, 2024) — The Quad Cities Transportation Policy Committee awarded \$3,067,906 of Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside (TASA) funds in the Quad Cities. These projects will be implemented in the next five years. Bi-State Regional Commission is a regional planning agency with voluntary members of local governments and is designated as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Quad Cities by the federal government. Bi-State Regional Commission delegates transportation programming authority to the Transportation Policy Committee to solicit applications and award funds in the Illinois-Iowa Quad Cities. One of these funding categories is TASA. These funds are typically awarded to bicycle and pedestrian projects that improve mobility options. Governmental jurisdictions in the MPO are eligible to apply for TASA funds. Eligible projects include trail facilities; safety features and infrastructure for bicyclists and pedestrians; turnouts, overlooks, and scenic viewing areas; historic transportation facility preservation; and certain archeological and stormwater management tied to highway construction.

The total amount of federal funds requested from the Illinois Quad Cities was \$1,757,285. The total amount of federal TASA funds available was \$1,533,450. The awarded project is:

- Moline: \$757,285 for Phase II of the Morgan Park Trail (7th Street to 10th Street Place).

The total amount of federal funds requested from the Iowa Quad Cities was \$4.96 million. The total amount of federal TASA funds available was \$2.29 million. The awarded projects are as follows:

- Davenport: \$1,093,625 for the construction of Phase IV of the Goose Creek Trail (roughly E. 39th Street to Kimberly Road).
- Bettendorf: \$526,500 for the construction of a shared-use path on Middle Road (Hopewell Avenue to Forest Grove Drive).
- LeClaire: \$671,616 for the construction of a trail and pedestrian overpass on 35th Street (195th Street to Wisconsin Street).

The Quad Cities MPO Transportation Technical Committee ranks candidate projects and recommends programming to the Transportation Policy Committee in accordance with the program manual. Recommendations and selection of a project(s) will occur at Technical and Policy Committee meetings.

For more information on the TASA evaluation process, visit: <https://bistateonline.org/transportation-and-mobility/quad-cities-metro-planning/tip-and-funding-projects-quad-cities-mpo> or contact Bi-State Regional Commission at (309) 793-6300.

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