The Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) of the Addison County Regional Planning Commission (ACRPC) is preparing to submit its FY 2021 (Oct. 1, 2020 – September 30, 2021) Transportation Planning Initiative (TPI) Workplan and Budget. The TPI is designed to foster greater involvement in the transportation planning process by local citizens and officials. Each year, the ACRPC sets aside a portion of the annual TPI funding received to hire consultants to perform various transportation studies in the county on behalf of our member municipalities, a consortium of municipalities, or a regional organization. Grant awards are contingent on ACRPC receiving funding from VTrans.

Do you have a transportation or traffic-related problem affecting your community? The TAC is requesting a list of transportation planning studies to fund in Addison County. (Note: these funds cannot be used for construction projects.) The TAC will evaluate all requests at their meeting to be held on August 20, 2020. Please be prepared, at the TAC’s request, to have a representative make a short presentation at that TAC meeting. Thank you for taking the time to help us develop our priorities for future transportation studies and projects.

**Description of Problem:** Rural communities can find it difficult to attract multiple competitive bids for small-scale transportation projects. Coordination of small projects between towns could increase the scope of projects that are put out to bid, enticing firms to provide more competitive bids due to economies of scale, thereby lowering overall costs to the towns.

**Description of Planning Study:** ACRPC proposes to develop a database of all small-scale transportation needs (paving, equipment, signage, etc.) and potential bike and pedestrian improvements planned within the region. A consultant would be hired to develop a product, populate it with initial data, and develop procedures which would allow ACRPC to maintain the database.

**Expected Benefits of Planning Study:** In addition to realizing economies of scale in the bidding process, knowledge of upcoming projects can promote coordination between adjacent communities, review of environmental impacts and potential options for bike and pedestrian improvements.

**Amount Requested:** $15,000 (Note: We have $40,000 available and usually fund 2-3 projects)

Please sign & return this Request Form by **Friday, August 14th, 2021** to your TAC delegate or to:

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Below are some examples of transportation planning studies that have recently been funded:

- 2020 – Lincoln realignment of South Lincoln Road
- 2020 – Bristol evaluating options to improve pedestrian access from Lovers Land to Airport Dr.
- 2020 – Salisbury evaluating traffic control option at the intersection of Rt. 53 and Upper Plains Rd.
- 2019 – Ripton repair/replacement options for Old Town Rd Bridge
- 2018 – Vergennes Rt22A truck traffic reduction study
- 2018 – Middlebury rail platform siting study
- 2017 - Salisbury village lighting & sidewalk study
- 2017 - Lincoln Gap Road winter access study
- 2016 - Middlebury Creek Road erosion stability study
- 2016 - Addison County Regional Transportation Plan update
- 2016 - ACTR transit hub relocation configuration alternatives study
- 2015 – Middlebury traffic calming study
- 2014 – Ripton – Old Center Turnpike right of way research
- 2014 – Ripton – Baker Bridge safety functional assessment
- 2013 – Ferrisburgh Old Hollow Road traffic calming study
- 2013 – Monkton Ridge Village realignment study
- 2013 - Ripton Peddlers’ Bridge culvert resilience assessment

**NOTE: A Feasibility Study or Conceptual Alignment Analysis (CAA) for a town bicycle path, multi-use path, recreational path or sidewalk will qualify as a transportation planning study**

ACRPC __________________________ (Municipality of / Agency / Organization, etc.) is interested in applying for funding under the Addison County Regional Planning Commission TAC grant program.

Signature of Agency, Organizational, or Municipal Official

Transportation Planner       9/9/2020
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Position / Title              Date
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Contact Information (Telephone / E-Mail)

In the case that a municipality is applying for this grant, or the proposal lies entirely within one municipality, the applicant hereby represents that the Selectboard of the Town or City of ________________ supports this proposal.