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Dear Jeff,

As required by statute and regulation, RIDOT must submit a Project Priority List (PPL) to the Rhode Island Infrastructure Bank and Statewide Planning. In a typical year, this list would be submitted by May 1, but as the regulations for the program were not finalized until February 2018 (following substantive statutory changes in the fall), RIDOT and RIIB opened a supplemental application period instead, from May 4 to June 15, 2018, and evaluated all projects submitted to produce the draft 2018/2019 Project Priority List, attached.

There were 6 projects submitted by 6 communities: these projects included road resurfacing projects and one bridge replacement project. We assembled a review panel of five staff: one from the Rhode Island Commerce Corporation, one from Statewide Planning, and three from within RIDOT (planning and community coordination). This panel met once in July 2018 to assemble the draft ranking. Under current regulation, we must provide ten (10) days' public notice of the inclusion of projects on a supplemental PPL. To that end, we are posting the list on our website today, July 11, 2018. If no objections are received by July 21, 2018, the list will be considered final.

All six projects were included on the PPL and total less than the \$25 million that RIIB made available for the 2018/2019 program. It is recommended that all six projects proceed to develop financing agreements.

Questions should be directed to DOT.Planning@dot.ri.gov or Brendan Fogarty at 222-6940 x4546.

Sincerely,

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CC: Paul DiGiuseppe, Acting Associate Director, Rhode Island Statewide Planning Program