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Dear Bill,

As required by statute (Rhode Island General Laws §24-18-7(c) "By the end of each calendar year, the department shall evaluate all submitted infrastructure plans and, in accordance with the project evaluation criteria, identify all eligible projects, and after a public hearing, the department shall finalize and provide the agency and statewide planning with a project priority list for the forthcoming calendar year."), RIDOT hereby submits the 2015 Project Priority List. We are also providing a copy of the criteria used to review the projects.
There were 15 projects submitted by 10 communities: these projects ranged from engineering studies to road resurfacing and bridge replacement. The single most requested type of project was road resurfacing, and many projects focused on areas in need of infrastructure to improve and promote business locations.

We assembled a review panel of four staff: one from the Rhode Island Economic Development Corporation, one from Statewide Planning, and two from within RIDOT. This panel met two times, in November to assemble the draft ranking, and again in December, following the public hearing. When the initial ranking was completed, there were several communities with projects tied at the same rank. In order to eliminate any potential confusion, the review panel met and awarded between one and three additional points to tied projects: a point for economic development; a point for higher functional classification roads; and a point for readiness to construct in calendar year 2015. As a result, there are no longer any tied rankings.

If you have any additional questions, please do not hesitate to contact me or Meredith Brady of the RIDOT Planning and Program Development staff (401-222-6940 x4530), our administrator for this program.

Sincerely,

Michael P. Lewis
Director
Rhode Island Department of Transportation

Municipal Road and Bridge Fund
2015 Program - Project Priority List

	Community	Project	Request	Points	Maximum Borrow at $5m Program	Maximum Borrow at $10m Program
1	West Warwick	New London Ave., Legris to Church	$ 150,515	$ 95	$ 150,515	$ 150,515
2	East Providence	Pawtucket Avenue Roadway Improvements	$ 230,000	$ 85	$ 230,000	$ 230,000
3	Bristol	2015 Pavement Rehabilitation	$ 500,000	$ 80	$ 500,000	$ 500,000
4	East Providence	Amaral Street Roadway Improvements	$ 515,000	$ 75	$ 515,000	$ 515,000
5	Scituate	N. Scituate Commons Improvements	$ 115,384	$ 73	$ 115,384	$ 115,384
6	East Providence	Centre Street Roadway Improvements	$ 435,000	$ 72	$ 435,000	$ 435,000
7	Cranston	Replacement of Main Street Bridge #99601	$ 900,000	$ 71	$ 900,000	$ 900,000
8	Hopkinton	Palmer Circle Road Improvements	$ 253,000	$ 65	$ 253,000	$ 253,000
9	East Providence	Roger Williams Avenue Roadway Improvements	$ 650,000	$ 61	$ 650,000	$ 650,000
10	Pawtucket	City-Wide Roadway Repaving	$ 5,000,000	$ 60	$ 2,500,000	$ 5,000,000
11	East Greenwich	FY2015 Asphalt Program	$ 2,000,000	$ 57	$ 2,000,000	$ 2,000,000
12	Narragansett	Pavement Management Program - Phase II	$ 3,600,000	$ 55	$ 2,500,000	$ 3,600,000
13	Coventry	Sandy Bottom Road Streetscape Improvements	$ 3,066,000	$ 50	$ 1,815,000	$ 3,066,000
14	Coventry	Hammet Road Drainage Culvert Replacement	$ 240,000	$ 45	$ 240,000	$ 240,000
15	Coventry	Island Drive Bridge	$ 445,000	$ 40	$ 445,000	$ 445,000
	TOTAL		**$ 18,099,899**		**$ 13,248,899**	**$ 18,099,899**

	Community - Project Name	Anytown - Any Project	Score
General	**Application (15)**		
	0.0.1	*Application complete and current*	
	0.0.2	*Has borrowing authority (or reasonable plan to obtain authority (3))*	
	0.0.3	*Borrowing request no greater than maximum allowed*	
4.1	**Generates economic benefits (20)**		
	4.1.1	*Connects (or is within) a business district, economic opportunity zone or growth center*	
	4.1.2	*Increases ease of access to local businesses and employment*	
	4.1.3	*Requires the purchase of materials or professional services that would not otherwise have been purchased*	
	4.1.4	*Connects to property currently being redeveloped*	
4.2	**Able to proceed at an earlier date (10)**		
	4.2.1	*Project will not proceed in the next year without revolving loan funding*	
4.3	**Provides mobility benefits (15)**		
	4.3.1	*Improves access to businesses or critical services*	
	4.3.2	*Improves access to transit*	
	4.3.3	*Higher-order functional classification*	
4.4	**Cost effectiveness (20)**		
	4.4.1	*Leverages or is matched by funds from other sources*	
	4.4.2	*Estimate of cost is reasonable for work proposed*	
	4.4.3	*Will have a useful life of 10 years or more*	
	4.4.4	*Improves overall condition or rating of the road segment or bridge*	
4.5	**Increases safety (10)**		
	4.5.1	*Constructs or reconstructs sidewalks*	
	4.5.2	*Removes a known traffic safety hazard*	
4.6	**Readiness to proceed (10)**		
	4.6.1	*Ready to start, and to be substantially complete before the end of 2015*	
TOTAL			