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The Harry S Truman Coordinating Council is contracted with the Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) to facilitate a regional Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC). Each year, the TAC reviews and prioritizes regional transportation needs which are forwarded to MoDOT's Southwest District office in Springfield to be combined with other District needs and prioritized. District needs are then sent to MoDOT's Central office in Jefferson City to be included in a State-wide prioritization and planning process.

These needs, once at the state-level, are addressed as funding comes available. However, this prioritization process enables the State of Missouri to be better prepared for federal transportation dollars that become available – making Missouri highly competitive in the bid to capture those funds.

The majority of HSTCC's transportation needs have been carried over from previous years; In an effort to ensure that our needs are presented with the most current information and to remove any needs that have already been addressed or are no longer necessary the list will be updated at every TAC meeting. Enclosed, you will find a description of transportation needs pertaining to your community or county that has been included in previous prioritizations. Please review these needs and indicate whether they continue to be a need or have been addressed, and include any additional or clarifying information regarding each specific need by using the enclosed survey (please use one survey for each need – make additional copies of the survey if needed).

You may also fill out additional surveys for any NEW transportation needs in your community. Please keep in mind that these needs MUST be located along a State-maintained route. Be sure to include as much information as possible as this will aid in presenting your need to the TAC and to MoDOT for prioritization.

Needs are accepted all year, but to ensure that your needs are included in this year's prioritization process, please return your surveys before February as to ensure we have the list finalized at the end of the fiscal year in June. Prioritization of regional transportation needs takes place throughout each year. Additionally, your Mayor, Clerk, or other representative may wish to attend our TAC meetings held every other month, or as pertinent information becomes available. This also confirms your need or issue on the list for the next round of transportation issues submitted to MoDOT. This is an opportunity to discuss transportation needs and issues throughout the year, better understand the prioritization process, speak with federal and state legislators, and gain valuable information from MoDOT and other transportation organizations.

TAC information and needs surveys can also be found online at www.HSTCC.org. Please contact Nikki Hill with any questions or concerns. Thank you for your participation!

Sincerely,

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