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Dear Applicant:

On behalf of Governor Chris Christie, I am pleased to announce that the New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) is now accepting applications for the 2012 Transportation Enhancement Program.

The Transportation Enhancement Program provides communities with funding for non-traditional transportation projects that enhance the cultural, aesthetic, historic, and environmental aspects of the State's transportation system. Additional information including a description of eligible project categories and the Department's Transportation Enhancement brochure is available at:

<http://www.state.nj.us/transportation/business/localaid/enhancements.shtm>

If you have a well-developed, construction-ready project that can qualify as a Transportation Enhancement project, you are invited to submit an application. The online Transportation Enhancement brochure provides the necessary information for completing your application and also answers questions regarding eligibility and program requirements. Please feel free to share this information with other governmental agencies and non-profit civic groups in your community.

As with all federally funded programs, the funds will be disbursed on a reimbursement basis. In addition, the award of Transportation Enhancement grants will be contingent upon the recipient's ability to comply with all applicable federal financial management, project implementation, and oversight regulations. Before applying, applicants should assess their capability *to comply with state and federal requirements for the administration of federal-aid highway grants including 23 CFR - Highways, and OMB requirements related to administrative rules (OMB A-102, 2 CFR Part 215), cost principals [(2 CFR Part 225 & 230), (49 CFR 18 & 19)] and OMB A-133 audit requirements.*

Additionally, all recipients of federal and state grants are required to comply with the provisions of Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA) and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973.

Please note that recipients of this grant must submit to the Department all documents required for authorization of funds within two years of the date of the grant award notification letter.

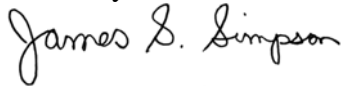
Applications for the Transportation Enhancement Program are due on or before July 17, 2012 and must be submitted online through NJDOT SAGE at:

<https://enterprisegrantapps.state.nj.us/NJSAGE/>

I recommend that you consult your Local Aid District Office for assistance in preparing applications for this program. Contact information is included on the enclosed map.

Thank you for your continued interest and support of the Department's Local Aid programs, and best wishes for success with your project application.

Sincerely,



James S. Simpson
Commissioner

Enclosure

c County Engineer
Municipal Clerk
Municipal Engineer