

CHAPTER 162
SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM

761—162.1(86GA,SF2320) Purpose. Federal authorization acts appropriate funds to states to support surface transportation investments. A portion of these funds are provided to the state of Iowa for the Surface Transportation Block Grant Program. The purpose of these rules is to establish requirements for the Surface Transportation Block Grant Program.

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761—162.2(86GA,SF2320) Contact information. Information relating to this chapter may be obtained from the Office of Program Management, Iowa Department of Transportation, 800 Lincoln Way, Ames, Iowa 50010; telephone (515)239-1661.

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761—162.3(86GA,SF2320) Source of funds. The Surface Transportation Block Grant Program established in 23 U.S.C. Section 133 provides for the use of federal funds to preserve and improve the condition and performance of any federal-aid highway, bridge or tunnel project on any public road. Surface Transportation Block Grant funds may also be used on pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure and transit capital projects including intercity bus terminals.

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761—162.4(86GA,SF2320) Administration of funds. Surface Transportation Block Grant funds are administered by the department and shall be made available for obligation throughout the state on a fair and equitable basis. The department, in consultation with city, county and local planning agency officials, through their representative organizations, shall allocate these funds to Iowa's transportation management areas, metropolitan planning organizations, regional planning affiliations, incorporated cities, counties and the department. Allocation of these funds shall be based upon a distribution methodology approved by the commission. The commission shall review and approve the distribution methodology upon passage of each federal authorization act. Funds allocated to cities and counties to support the Federal-Aid Highway Bridge Program shall be made in accordance with 761—Chapter 161. All allocations of the Surface Transportation Block Grant funds shall be made in accordance with the Federal Highway Administration's regulations and include the allocations of the Surface Transportation Program (STP) Set-Aside for transportation alternatives as established in 23 U.S.C. Section 133(h).

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