

761—163.8(315) Project activities eligible and ineligible for RISE funds.

163.8(1) Eligible activities. Project activities or costs eligible for RISE funding, and which may be counted as part of the non-RISE participation in immediate opportunity and local development roadway projects, include only the following:

a. Roadway resurfacing, rehabilitation, modernization, upgrading, reconstruction or initial construction, including grading and drainage, paving, erosion control, pavement overlays, and shoulder widening and stabilization.

b. Bridge and culvert repair, modernization, replacement or initial construction.

c. Roadway intersection and interchange improvements including warranted traffic signalization when it is integral to the improvement.

d. Public transportation system improvements, including but not limited to bus shelters, bus turnouts, and passenger information signage, when they are integral to the roadway improvement.

e. Bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure improvements, including but not limited to sidewalks, at-grade pedestrian crossings, bike lanes, and separated bike lanes, when they are integral to the roadway improvement.

f. Right-of-way acquisition costs, including but not limited to appraisals, negotiation, compensation, and cultural resources surveys necessary to comply with applicable local, state and federal laws, rules and regulations.

g. Construction or improvement of motorist rest areas, welcome centers, and information centers.

h. Design engineering costs leading to construction plan development and construction inspection costs associated with RISE-financed projects.

i. County and city bond principal and interest payments associated only with RISE projects. No financing expenses incurred prior to funding commitment shall be eligible, and no administrative or legal expenses may be reimbursed. The bond term may not exceed the expected useful life of the roadway.

j. Storm drainage and storm sewer costs to the extent needed for draining the roadway.

k. Reconstruction or adjustment of utilities, including but not limited to water, sanitary sewer, electric, telephone, and natural gas, when utilities are located on private property and require replacement or relocation due to project construction; or said utilities are located in the public right-of-way and the utility is not required to relocate at its own expense.

l. Costs associated with the acquisition of local, state and federal permits required for roadway construction.

m. Costs of modifications to railroad facilities required to construct the RISE roadway, including but not limited to construction, hiring flaggers, and engineering performed by the railroad or the railroad's contractor, that are consistent with an executed agreement between the railroad and the roadway jurisdiction.

163.8(2) Ineligible activities. Activities or costs ineligible for RISE funding, and which may not be counted as part of the non-RISE participation in immediate opportunity or local development roadway projects, include but are not limited to the following:

a. Any and all costs incurred prior to a funding commitment by the commission notwithstanding rule 761—163.9(315).

b. Routine roadway, bridge and culvert maintenance, including but not limited to pothole filling, crack sealing, seal coating, patching, shoulder maintenance, gravel or earth roadway maintenance, and bridge painting.

c. Winter roadway and bridge maintenance, including but not limited to snow plowing, sanding, and salting.

d. Overhead and operating costs associated with eligible project activities, including auditing.

e. Expenses associated with the preparation and submission of applications for RISE funding.

f. Predesign engineering, feasibility or alignment studies, and other planning expenses.

g. Traffic signalization, except as an integral part of a roadway project.

h. Pavement marking and traffic signs, except as an integral part of a roadway project.

i. Utility construction, reconstruction or adjustment except for those activities or costs described in subrule 163.8(1).

- j.* Safety appurtenances, except as an integral part of a roadway project.
- k.* Lighting, except as an integral part of a roadway project.
- l.* Lighting energy and maintenance costs.
- m.* Sidewalks, bicycle paths, and railroad-highway crossings, except when replacing those facilities in service and affected by the project, or as an integral part of a roadway project.
- n.* Parking expenditures, including those for structures, lots, meters, paving, and marking whether for on-street or off-street parking.
- o.* Nonroadway transportation expenditures, including those for railway, aviation, public transportation, and inland waterway facilities and equipment.
- p.* Purchase of furnishings, construction equipment, and personal property.
- q.* General government expenses and expenses associated with the provision of any public service which are not eligible for RISE program assistance.
- r.* Donated right-of-way.

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