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The Director's Corner



I have heard many people talk about the challenges of the workforce and the great “resignation” lately. At SECOG, we have experienced some of that as well. While it always hurts to lose employees, I was reminded that SECOG has traditionally been a place where many talented planning staff have started their professional careers and then progressed on to share their talents with SECOG’s members or other organizations. I am happy to report that SECOG is at full staff again, and that the staff that have joined our team are extremely talented, engaged, and willing to go the extra mile for SECOG’s members. We have individually introduced them before, but here is a summary of SECOG’s planning staff so you know who to contact:



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Thank you for your patience during our transition. We look forward to continuing to work with you!

Lynne Keller Forbes
Executive Director

From

Jim's Desk

2023-2026 TIP



The Sioux Falls Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) and the South Dakota Department of Transportation (SDDOT) are in the process of adopting the 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and 2023-2026 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP), respectively. The TIP and STIP include prioritized listings of multimodal transportation improvement projects for streets and highways, public transportation, aviation, railroads, bicycles, and pedestrian.

The 2023-2026 TIP, which includes transportation improvement projects for the MPO area (Brandon, Crooks, Harrisburg, Hartford, Sioux Falls, Tea, and portions of Lincoln County and Minnehaha County), was approved by the MPO committees at the August 10th and 11th meetings. The SD Transportation Commission will consider approval of the STIP and Sioux Falls MPO TIP at its August 25th meeting.

Additional information can be found at:

<https://siouxfallsmpo.org/resources/2023-2026-transportation-improvement-program-tip/>

<https://dot.sd.gov/projects-studies/planning/tentative-statewide-transportation-improvement-program-stip>

Upcoming MPO Meeting Dates

Citizen Advisory Committee

September 14, 2022 @3:00 p.m.

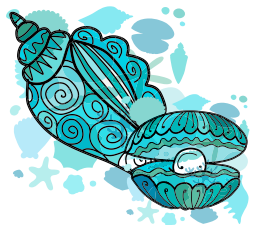
Technical Advisory Committee

September 15, 2022 @2:00 p.m.

Urbanized Development Commission

September 15, 2022 @ 4:00 p.m.





Communities Awarded Grants and Loans

The Board of Water and Natural Resources met this past May and June. The following projects were awarded a grant, loan, or a combination thereof:

	State ARPA Grant	State Local ARPA Match	CW SRF Loan	DW SRF Loan	Additional Subsidy	Total Grant and Loan Funds
*Canistota (Water & Sewer)	\$ 841,233					\$ 841,233
*Crooks (Sewer)	\$ 161,763					\$ 161,763
*Lennox (Water & Sewer)	\$ 1,652,651					\$ 1,652,651
*Salem (Sewer)	\$ 370,293					\$ 370,293
*Sioux Falls (Sewer)	\$ 41,900,000					\$ 41,900,000
*Tea (Sewer)	\$ 3,694,231					\$ 3,694,231
Brandon (Sewer)		\$ 1,345,005				\$ 1,345,005
Bridgewater (Sewer)	\$ 3,769,003	\$ 82,439	\$ 3,769,003	\$ 666,119		\$ 8,286,564
Chancellor (Water & Sewer)	\$ 2,295,000		\$ 210,000	\$ 195,000		\$ 2,700,000
Hudson (Water & Sewer)	\$ 1,689,476	\$ 61,695	\$ 656,180	\$ 831,649		\$ 3,239,000
Marion (Water & Sewer)	\$ 115,418	\$ 132,636	\$ 115,418	\$ 134,655	\$ 521,168	\$ 632,782
North Sioux City (Water & Sewer)	\$ 3,235,697	\$ 497,897	\$ 5,351,110	\$ 5,627,193		\$ 14,711,897
Tea (Water & Sewer)	\$ 1,264,260	\$ 322,172	\$ 946,288	\$ 1,009,280		\$ 3,542,000
Valley Springs (Water)	\$ 2,953,288	\$ 65,272	\$ 2,953,288		\$ 521,168	\$ 6,493,016
Vermillion (Sewer)	\$ 52,500	\$ 450,000	\$ 52,500			\$ 555,000
Totals	\$ 63,994,813	\$ 2,957,116	\$ 14,053,787	\$ 8,463,896	\$ 655,823	\$ 90,125,435
* = 2021 project						

The projects awarded in May and June are in addition to the April awards which totaled more than \$213 million. The total number of grants and loans received by SECOG members in 2022 is more than \$393 million.

Sophie & Harley's Notes

Upcoming application deadlines:

- October 1st – State Water Plan applications due
- October 1st – Sewer and Water Facilities Funding applications due
- October 1st – Solid Waste Management Program applications due
- October 1st – Community Development Block Grant applications due

Get the most out of your dues

From the beginning of an idea to closing out a project, your SECOG planners are with you every step of the way. We can help guide you through project development at the beginning stages, the funding/financing process, provide resources and connections at the local, state, and federal levels, and serve as a vital part of your project team.

We are an asset to your community whether you are looking at infrastructure improvements, outdoor recreation facilities, or hazard mitigation measures. Our services are included in your annual membership dues. So take advantage of them!

In Minnehaha, McCook, and Clay Counties call Sophie at 605-681-8184. In Lincoln, Turner, and Union Counties call Harley at 605-681-8135.

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Heat Wave; Water Grave

The clear, blue, and sunny skies of South Dakota make summer enjoyable for many South Dakotans. However, this summer was more than just sunshine. This summer brought many unique weather phenomena to our small corner of South Dakota, such as the derechos that swept through our local communities. In addition to the derechos, many communities are facing additional challenges from droughts. According to the University of Nebraska-Lincoln's Drought Monitor, Clay and Union counties are experiencing an extreme drought, Turner and Lincoln counties are experiencing a severe drought, while McCook and Minnehaha counties are experiencing an abnormally dry to moderate drought. While derechos are a rare phenomenon, droughts are more common in South Dakota and communities can plan local responses to severe drought conditions.

Droughts can impact a community's health, safety, and economy. Without rainwater, many natural water sources will dry-up which may cause a water shortage for local communities. Because of dry conditions and the high-winds of South Dakota, fires are easily spreadable during drought conditions. With possible water shortages due to droughts, local fire departments may face additional challenges to contain fires. In addition, droughts may also negatively impact tourism (fishing, fishing access, wildlife, and campgrounds) and reduce crop yields for farmers - both have significant economic impacts on respective communities.

Because of severe droughts in 2012 and 2013, South Dakota established the South Dakota Drought Task Force to prepare a drought mitigation plan. In November 2015, the South Dakota Drought Task Force, in partnership with South Dakota's Office of Emergency Management Department of Public Safety, developed the South Dakota Drought Mitigation Plan. The Drought Mitigation Plan provided various strategies to improve water availability during droughts, increase public knowledge on drought conditions, and assist individuals that will be disproportionately impacted by drought conditions. Even though the Drought Mitigation Plan promotes local planning for drought mitigation and water conservation, many communities have not yet created ordinances that help address these issues. It is imperative that communities consider their water usage during prolonged droughts.

To preserve water, some communities in South Dakota enacted municipal ordinances that either permanently or temporarily restrict citizens from using water for certain purposes. Prohibitions include: requiring hoses to have a nozzle or shutoff device to wash houses or cars; providing specific dates and times for sprinklers to water lawns; prohibiting water usage for ornamental fountains, waterfalls, and decorative ponds; and, under extreme circumstances, prohibiting all outside water usage.

If you are interested in discussing water conservation ordinances or other topics in your municipal and zoning ordinances, please contact Sean Hegyi at (605) 681-8176 or Sean@secog.org or Jason Rosas at (605) 681-8174 or GIS@secog.org.





Five-Year County Highway and Bridge Improvement Plan

The time has come for counties to update their Five-Year County Highway and Bridge Improvements Plan, commonly called the Transportation Plan. In order to maintain eligibility for the State Bridge Improvement Program (BIG), the plan needs to be updated on an annual basis. This annual update must include a review of the previous plan's projects and status updates. Updates are due to the State Department of Transportation on or before October 15, 2022.

Transportation planning is a cooperative process designed to foster involvement by all users of the system, including the business community, freight operators, and the general public through a proactive public participation process conducted by the county. The planning process also fosters communication of local governments such as townships to jointly discuss transportation needs and coordinate improvements.

The Bridge Improvement Grant (BIG) program was created during the 2015 legislative session in Senate Bill 1 (SB 1). SB 1 dedicated \$7 million per year for the BIG program. This money comes from the license plate fees and from non-commercial vehicle fees. In addition, SDDOT will set aside \$8 million per year of state gas tax funds, for a total of \$15 million available for the BIG grants.

If your county needs assistance with developing a Transportation Plan or completing the annual update, please contact Jason at gis@secog.org or by calling 605-681-8174 to discuss the next steps in this process.





SECOG's Staff Spotlights



Congratulations to SECOG's Community Development Manager, Sophie Johnson, on being selected to serve on the NADO Research Foundation Advisory committee as the representative for the Central Region!

The National Association of Development Organizations (NADO) provides advocacy, education, research, and training for the nation's regional development organizations. The association and its members promote regional strategies, partnerships, and solutions to strengthen the economic competitiveness and quality of life across America's local communities.



Congratulations to SECOG's Planning Specialist, Harley Ferguson, on receiving her Bachelor's degree in Business Administration!

Harley received her Bachelor's of Business Administration degree from Oglala Lakota Collage in May. We are proud of you!

SECOG Welcomes New Staff Member



Sean Hegyi
Planner

Sean supports the planning efforts of SECOG's member communities in Clay, McCook, and Minnehaha counties by assisting with the creation of and amendments to municipal codes, zoning ordinances, and land subdivision regulations. Sean received his Bachelor of Secondary Education degree from Indiana University and Juris Doctor degree from the University of Missouri Kansas City School of Law.

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New Approved Loans

Dakota BUSINESS Finance
South Eastern Development Foundation



Quality Inn

Brandon, SD

SBA 504 Loan through DBF

Purpose: Purchase of an existing hotel

Participating Lender:

Jordan Huisken-First State Bank Southwest



Fazoli's

Sioux Falls, SD

SBA 504 Loan through DBF &
SEDF Loans

Purpose: Purchase of land and
construction of a building

Participating Lender:

Travis Olsem-American Bank & Trust



Kannas Automotive & Performance

Sioux Falls, SD

SBA 504 Loan through DBF &
SEDF Loan

Purpose: Purchase of equipment and a
building with renovations

Participating Lender:

Jonathan Schlapkohl-Dacotah Bank

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Wilson's Orchard

Cumming, IA

SBA 504 Loan through DBF

Purpose: Purchase of land and construction of a cider production facility

Participating Lender:

Dean Stockman-Hills Bank



Morningside Lodging

Sioux City, IA

SBA 504 Loan through DBF

Purpose: Purchase of an existing hotel

Participating Lender:

J. David Dancler-Security Savings Bank



Wheelchair Dynamics

Sioux Falls, SD

SBA 504 Loan through DBF

Purpose: Purchase of building

Participating Lender:

Mark Kleinwolterink-Iowa State Bank



TSK Laundry

Sioux Falls, SD

SBA 504 Loan through DBF

Purpose: Purchase of two buildings

Participating Lender:

Derek Ohme-

The First National Bank in Sioux Falls



National Tower Controls Hartford, SD

SBA 504 Loan through DBF

Purpose: Purchase of land and construction of a new building

Participating Lender:

Travis Olsem-American Bank & Trust



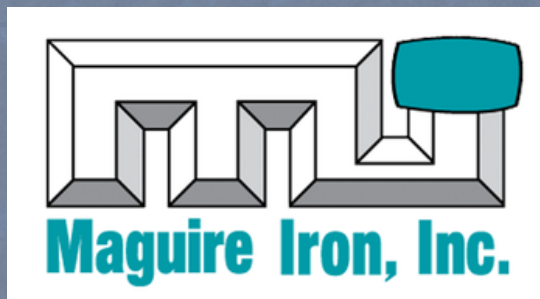
Sleep Inn & Suites North Liberty North Liberty, IA

SBA 504 Loan through DBF

Purpose: Purchase of an existing hotel

Participating Lender:

Travis Bestge-First Dakota National Bank



Maguire Tank & Maguire Iron Sioux Falls, SD

SBA 504 Loan through DBF

Purpose: Purchase of land and construction of a new manufacturing campus

Participating Lender:

Rocky Rehfeldt-First Dakota National Bank



Grand Fun Alley Learning Center Brandon, SD

SBA 504 Loan through DBF

Purpose: Purchase of a building

Participating Lender:

Paula Brown-CorTrust Bank

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Abra Auto Body & Glass Worthington, MN

SBA 504 Loan through DBF

Purpose: Purchase a building

Participating Lender:

Bradley Meester-

First State Bank Southwest



Slim Chickens Ankeny, IA

SBA 504 Loan through DBF

Purpose: Construction of a building

Participating Lender:

Luke Garry - American Bank & Trust



Embroidery and Screen Works Yankton, SD

SBA 504 Loan through DBF

Purpose: Purchase of land and construction of a building

Participating Lender:

David Gillies - First Dakota National Bank



CHUDS Pub and Grub Larchwood, IA

SBA 504 Loan through DBF

Purpose: Purchase of equipment and a building with renovations

Participating Lender:

Merlin Meyer - Peoples Bank



Nelson Monument Sioux Falls, SD

SBA 504 Loan through DBF

Purpose: Purchase of land and construction of a new building

Participating Lender:

Cory Worth-First Dakota National Bank



Hagan Insurance Group Sioux Falls, SD

SBA 504 Loan through DBF

Purpose: Refinance of existing debt

Participating Lender:

Travis Olsem-American Bank & Trust



Agile Manufacturing Worthing, SD

SEDF Loan

Purpose: Refinancing of existing debt

Participating Lender:

Jason Sundberg-Plains Commerce Bank



V&L Manufacturing Tea, SD

SEDF Loan

Purpose: Purchase of equipment and working capital



The Ballard Building Restaurant Company Sioux Falls, SD

SBA 504 Loan through DBF

Purpose: Refinance of existing debt

Participating Lender:

Jonathan Schlapkohl-Dacotah Bank

Classic Corner



Convenience Store

Classic Convenience

Sioux Falls, SD

SBA 504 Loan through DBF & SEDF Loan

Purpose: Purchase of land and construction of a building

Participating Lender:

TJ Speer-American State Bank

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