Prioritizing Solutions in the Roadmap for Funding Sustainable Streets

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Outline

- Why prioritize solutions?
- Results of survey on priorities for funding solutions
- Meeting Participant Input for Roadmap Content
Why Prioritize Solutions

- The Roundtable will produce a Roadmap of Solutions that:
  - Identifies specific actions to achieve the funding of green stormwater infrastructure as an integral component of complete streets projects, and potentially other types of infrastructure projects
- Prioritizing solutions will inform timeframes and sequencing of specific actions
Survey on Priorities for Sustainable Streets

Funding Solutions

- Survey was sent to
  - Roundtable Participants
  - Roundtable interested parties
  - Local stormwater programs
- Survey was open from May 8 to 17
- Received 28 responses
Who responded to the survey?

1 Funding agency
21 Agencies that seek funding
2 Agencies that provide AND seek funding
4 Interested parties/other
Ranking of 3 Categories of Solutions

Better integration
- 1st priority: 15
- 2nd priority: 10
- 3rd priority: 2

Single distribution
- 1st priority: 11
- 2nd priority: 8
- 3rd priority: 9

Improve conditions for using multiple grants
- 1st priority: 2
- 2nd priority: 10
- 3rd priority: 16
Higher Priority Solutions for Using Multiple Grants in a Single Project

- Broaden scoring criteria: 22
  - Higher priority: 22
  - Lower priority: 3
  - No response: 3

- One application form, modified for different programs: 18
  - Higher priority: 18
  - Lower priority: 5
  - No response: 7

- Modify eligibility criteria for project activities: 14
  - Higher priority: 14
  - Lower priority: 7
  - No response: 7

Legend:
- Blue: Higher priority
- Red: Lower priority
- Green: No response
Mid-Range Priority Solutions for Using Multiple Grants in a Single Project

- Coordinate match policies among agencies: 7 Higher priority, 14 Lower priority, 12 No response
- Coordinate information on funding cycles: 10 Higher priority, 13 Lower priority, 12 No response
- Coordinate timing of funding cycles: 12 Higher priority, 12 Lower priority, 12 No response
Lower Priority Solutions for Using Multiple Grants in a Single Project

- Coordinate on solicitations for urban greening grants: Higher priority (9), Lower priority (12), No response (12)
- Coordinate joint reporting: Higher priority (8), Lower priority (12)
- Advertise maximum grant periods: Higher priority (3), Lower priority (16), No response
Funding Sources You Would Pursue if Obstacles Are Removed?

- Transportation grants: 22
- Climate change grants: 19
- Water grants: 20
- Emergency preparedness grants: 15
- Air quality grants: 7
- Agency does not seek grants: 3
- Other: 1
## Input from March 28 Roundtable Meeting
### Higher Priority at Meeting

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<td>Ineligible costs – Project Type</td>
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<td>Matches for Multiple Grants</td>
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<td>Scoring of Cost Effectiveness</td>
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## Input from March 28 Roundtable Meeting

**Lower Priority at Meeting**

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Meeting Participant Input for Roadmap Content

- Input will make Roadmap as useful as possible for
  - Implementing agencies and stakeholders
  - Interested parties

- Input requested on:
  - Criteria for identifying high priority solutions and infeasible solutions
  - Identification of next steps including implementation partners
Draft Screening Criteria for Inclusion in Roadmap

- Some solutions may be removed from further consideration in the Roadmap based on:
  
  • **Lack of key support** - Agencies that would be responsible for implementation do not support the solution

Input requested
Draft Criteria for Prioritizing Solutions

- **Effectiveness** - The extent to which the solution would help to make more funding available for sustainable streets projects

- **Ease of implementation** – Level of time and resources, for example:
  - Can the solution be implemented by one agency?
  - Can the solution be implemented in one year?

- **Support** - Support demonstrated for the solution, such as commitments by Roundtable Participants/interested parties

Input requested
Draft Prioritization of Solutions
Higher Priority

- Better integration
- Coordinate on grant application process
- Broaden scoring criteria
- Modify eligibility criteria for project activities

Input requested
Draft Prioritization of Solutions

Lower Priority

- Coordinate match policies among agencies
- Coordinate information on funding cycles
- Coordinate timing of funding cycles
- Coordinate joint reporting
- Coordinate on solicitations for urban greening grants
- Advertise maximum grant periods

Input requested
Other Solutions to Consider?

- Identify other solutions
- Apply criteria to identified solutions