Types of Collaboration to Consider for Roadmap of Funding Solutions

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Outline

- National Green Infrastructure Collaborative (Sam)
  - Background
  - Participating federal agencies
  - Types of agency commitments
- Potential types of collaboration to include in Roadmap (Matt)
- Roundtable Discussion
A network-based learning alliance created to help communities more easily implement green infrastructure

- Established in October 2014 to broaden national engagement
  - Leveraging joint efforts
  - Sharing and building knowledge
  - Facilitating shared inquiry
- Federal agencies, NGOs & private-sector entities
Participants

U.S. Department of Agriculture
U.S. Department of Defense
U.S. Department of Energy
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
U.S. Department of the Interior
U.S. Department of Transportation

Non-Federal

American Society of Engineers
Association of Clean Water Administrators
Environmental Defense Fund
National Association of Clean Water Agencies
National Association of Flood & Stormwater Management Agencies
Tree People
Others...
Types of Commitments

- EPA
  - Provide 25 communities with assistance
- DOT
  - Investments with livability & environmental benefits
- Department of Interior
  - USFWS builds Visitor Center at Detroit River Wildlife Refuge highlighting green infrastructure
For more information
• https://www.epa.gov/green-infrastructure/green-infrastructure-collaborative#Collaborative Members
Potential Types of Collaboration to Include in Roadmap

- Collaborate on joint application/instructions/policies
- Improve instructions for grant applicants in coordination with other funding agencies
- Collaborate on advocacy for legislative changes
- Encourage/fund actions with mutual benefit
- Convene/lead collaborative processes
Roundtable Discussion

- How would collaborating on sustainable streets benefit your agency?
- What collaborative processes is your agency engaged in now?
- What strengths does your agency offer?
- What commitments could your agency make?
Outline for Roadmap of Funding Solutions for Sustainable Streets

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Regional Roundtable Focus Meeting
May 23, 2017
Outline

- Purpose of Roadmap
- Organization of Roadmap
- Input from Roundtable Participants
Purpose of the Roadmap

- Identify and commit to specific actions
  - To achieve the funding of green stormwater infrastructure as an integral component of multi-benefit projects, with an emphasis on streets due to:
    - The water quality impacts of motor vehicles,
    - The stormwater collection and conveyance function provided by roadway surfaces, and
    - The integration of storm drain systems into streets and roads
    - State and regional focus on investing in active transportation
Organization of the Roadmap

- Executive Summary
- 1 - Introduction
- 2 - Pathways
- 3 - Roles and Responsibilities
- Appendices
Section 1: Introduction

- Statement of Purpose
- Financial Needs and Anticipated Benefits
- Organization of the Roadmap
  - Explains Interrelationships between
    - Pathways (lists and schedules of specific actions)
    - Roles (who is acting and how are actions tracked)
Section 2: Pathways

- Path to Better Integration of Funding for Multi-benefit Projects
- Path of Coordination Regarding Grant Application Processes
- Path of Improving Conditions for Projects that Are Funded by Multiple Grants
- Path to Additional Funding Options
Elements Included in Each Path

- Relevant solutions
- Commitments by participating agencies
- Schedule of specific actions
- Actions are categorized as:
  - Immediate solutions
  - Short-term, administrative solutions
  - Long-term solutions, including legislation
Section 3: Roles and Responsibilities

- Roadmap Committee
  - Oversees implementation
- Representatives of Participating Agencies
  - Points of contact
- Champions
  - Advocacy, guiding legislative actions
- Tracking and Follow-up
  - Track and report on progress
Appendices

- List of Acronyms and Definitions
  - Improve cross-sector understanding
- List of Potential Funding Sources
  - Sources of funds for local match
- Solutions Considered and Withdrawn
  - Provides a record of decisions taken
Input from Roundtable Participants

- Questions about the Roadmap?
- Ideas regarding:
  - Specific actions?
  - Agency roles?
- Synergies with actions that agencies are already planning?

Input requested