## IOWA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

**AGENDA ITEMS/COMMISSION ORDERS**

*Tuesday, March 9, 2010*

Materials Conference Room  
Ames DOT Complex

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*Action Item*

On Monday, March 8, 2010, the Commission and staff will meet informally at 1:30 p.m. in the Materials conference room at the DOT complex in Ames. Transportation-related matters will be discussed but no action will be taken.
PROPOSAL/ACTION RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended the Commission approve the minutes of the February 9, 2010, Commission meeting.

COMMISSION ACTION:

Moved by Cleaveland Seconded by Blouin

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Division Director  Legal  State Director
In State Fiscal Year 2010, Iowa's Infrastructure Investment Initiative (I-JOBS) provides $3 million to the passenger rail service revolving fund.

The department is requesting to program up to $1 million of these funds to support the Chicago to Omaha Planning Study. This funding will be used to provide the required 50 percent state match for the $1 million grant Iowa received from the Federal Railroad Administration under the High-Speed Intercity Passenger Rail program.

PROPOSAL/ACTION RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended the Commission approve programming up to $1 million from the Passenger Rail Service Revolving Fund for the Chicago to Omaha Planning Study.
Stuart Anderson, Planning, Programming and Modal Division, said on January 28, 2010, Iowa was notified of a $1 million award from the High Speed Intercity Passenger Rail Program of the Recovery Act to conduct a planning study to evaluate and further develop proposed passenger rail service from Chicago to Omaha. This planning study will include identification of a preferred route through this heavily populated corridor, completion of environmental studies, evaluation of ridership potential, preparation of preliminary engineering plans, and cost estimates for capital expenditures and operations.

Mr. Anderson said the completion of this planning study will position Iowa to be eligible to apply for future federal funding opportunities for passenger rail service expansion. This funding requires a $1 million state match, and staff requests Commission approval to program up to $1 million of the fiscal year 2010 appropriation to the Passenger Rail Service Revolving Fund for the Chicago to Omaha planning study.

Commissioner Miles moved, Commissioner Durham seconded the Commission approve programming up to $1 million from the Passenger Rail Service Revolving Fund for the Chicago to Omaha planning study. All voted aye.
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
COMMISSION ORDER

Planning, Programming and Modal Division
Office of Program Management

Order No. PPM-2010-50
Meeting Date: March 9, 2010

Submitted by: E. Jon Ranney Phone No. 515-239-1500

Title: 2010-2014 Iowa Highway Program Amendment

DISCUSSION/BACKGROUND:

In order to address deteriorating roadway conditions resulting from the extreme winter weather, the Statewide Contract Maintenance program line item needs to be increased by $12 million in FY 2010 of the 2010-2014 Iowa Highway Program. This funding will permit the hiring of contractors to patch, repair, and place pavement overlays on relatively small stretches of highway with the worst conditions.

PROPOSAL/ACTION RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended the Commission approve the amendment to the 2010-2014 Iowa Highway Program.

COMMISSION ACTION:

Moved by Wiley Seconded by Cleaveland

Blouin X
Cleaveland X
Durham X
Miles X
Reasner X
Sawtelle X
Wiley X

Division Director
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Nay
Pass