



2025 Local Systems Spring Meeting Agenda – March 26, 2025

Location: Cobblestone Inn & Suites/Fareway Conference Center 1900 Lakewood Dr., Boone

Time: 9:00 AM – Noon (Check in begins at 8:30, please pre-register)

Welcome (5 min) – Sarah Okerlund, Acting Director

Funding for LPA projects (40 min) – Eryn Stone, Urban Engineer

- Discretionary Grants and Earmarks vs. Federal-aid Overview Formula Funds
- Grant Team Program Cycles
- Targeted Small Business (TSB)
- Federal-aid Swap Update / Overview
- Plan Divisions / Funding sources / Why it Matters?

Federal-aid Update & Key Points, Project Development (20 min) – Jenifer Bates, Project Development Engineer

- TPMS best practices
- New I.M.s & PDC
- Time for NEPA Clearance & Update on Historic Reviews on Bridges

Break (10 min) – Refreshments Provided

Federal-aid Update & Key Point, Construction & Contract Administration (20 min) – Dillon Feldmann, Eastern Region Field Engineer

- Specification Updates
- New I.M.s & Attachments
- DBE Trucking Updates & future changes with Manufactured Products waiver expiration.
- Reminders, Tips & Tricks

New Design Tabulations (20 min) – Kyle Bennett, Design Tech Specialist

New Specifications ERL: Tips and Tricks (15 min) – Eric Johnsen, Specifications Engineer

E-Construction update (20 min) – Derek Peck, E-Construction Administrator

- Doc Express Updates
- Appia Updates (City Appia requirement – Starting with April 2025 Letting)
- Training Opportunities

Closing & Questions (10 min)