



September 7, 2012

Local Government
Address
City, State Zip Code

RE: FY 2013 Local Maintenance & Improvement Grant (LMIG) Program

Dear Local Government:

The Department is proud to announce the official rollout of the FY 2013 Local Maintenance and Improvement Grant (LMIG) program. We apologize for being late this year. We felt in order to best manage the funds, we would wait until after the TIA vote to know exactly how your LMIG funds would be impacted by the new match requirements. In cooperation with ACCG, GMA, and others, this year's program brings about new changes in how the Department will administer your Local Maintenance and Improvement Grant (LMIG) allocation. Changes to the program are described in detail in the attached LMIG Guidelines and Rules packet. Your formula amount for the 2013 LMIG Program is **(Formula Amount)**. Each local government will be required to match this formula amount in accordance with Code Section 48-8-244(d).

Administering the Program with less people, more efficiency and with new match requirements are all challenges that we have to tackle. These challenges necessitate a major change in the Program. Helping local governments help themselves is our goal and we believe that this new program will allow each local government greater flexibility and the ability to address some of their most needed projects quickly. Additional investment in our road network is much needed and we trust that each local government in this state greatly values having an adequately maintained transportation system. We also desire that each local government far surpass the local contribution requirements spelled out in the guidelines. There will be an informational webcast held on September 28, 2012 at 10:00 am regarding the new LMIG process. More information on the webcast will be available on the Department's website at www.dot.ga.gov/localgovernment/FundingPrograms/LMIG.

If you should have any questions regarding the LMIG Program please contact the Local Grants Office in Atlanta at (404) 347-0240.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Keith Golden'.

Keith Golden, P.E
Commissioner

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Attachment

cc: Representatives and Senators; Board Members; District Engineer