



**SLATS RESOLUTION 2024-5
ASSIGNMENT OF CARBON REDUCTION PROGRAM FUNDS**

WHEREAS, the Stateline Area Transportation Study (SLATS) is the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Beloit (WI-IL) Urbanized Area (UA) and the greater Stateline Metropolitan Planning Area (MPA); and

WHEREAS, the SLATS Policy Board has the responsibility to direct, coordinate, and administer federal continuing, comprehensive and coordinated (3C) transportation planning throughout the MPA; and

WHEREAS, the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law of 2021 (BIL) established a new federal Carbon Reduction (CRP) Program to provide funding for projects to reduce transportation emissions; and

WHEREAS, SLATS is responsible for project selection and programming of CRP funds estimated at \$121,212 each year for SFY25-SFY28 suballocated by the State of Wisconsin and to be used in the Wisconsin portion of the SLATS UA, with a federal cost share on projects eligible for the CRP funds of 80% with a 20% local share;

WHEREAS, SLATS received two applications for CRP funding, one of which is from the City of Beloit for a multi-use path connecting Afton Road to the existing path located at the Welty Environmental Center using two years of CRP funding or \$242,424, and the other from the Town of Beloit for a multi-use path along the west side of USH 51 from Riverside Park to Armstrong Eddy Park, using about one year of funding or \$117,180; and

WHEREAS, as determined eligible by WisDOT, the SLATS Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) recommended up to two years of CRP funding for the City of Beloit project, and up to one year of CRP funding for the Town of Beloit project, with the City's project moving forward first, and the Town's second, provided that for the Town's project, WisDOT allows CRP funding to be used along USH 51, real estate issues are addressed and do not impact the timing for fund use for this cycle, and the path will not end at the north line of the park unless a plan to continue it north is determined, otherwise, the path will stop at the existing path on the south end of Armstrong Eddy Park; and

WHEREAS, the Policy Board reviewed the TAC recommendation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The City of Beloit and Town of Beloit multi-use path projects are selected for SLATS CRP funding with up to two years of CRP funding for the City of Beloit project, and up to one year of CRP funding for the Town of Beloit project, with the fourth year of funding yet to be determined;

AND BE IT FURTHER, RESOLVED THAT SLATS Staff is instructed to incorporate the projects into the TIP and transmit this Resolution to appropriate State and Federal officials.

Approved this 5th Day of September, 2024

ATTESTS:

Chair, SLATS Policy Board

Director of Planning and Building Services