



View from the Chair

Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission

CA-7 Revenues Could Be Stretched Even Further if Commission Can Reinstate Cost-Share Program

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Dear «GreetingLine»

As transportation funds have gotten ever more scarce in recent years, communities across Missouri have found that pooling their money with the state's is an effective way to advance the projects they need to bolster their local economies and improve safety.

By partnering with local communities and businesses, our cost-share program has turned \$453 million of funds into more than \$1.1 billion of projects.

In January the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission had no choice but to suspend the cost-share program. We were faced with a bleak financial forecast – that we'll be able to invest only \$325 million per year into the state's transportation system, far less than the \$485 million per year required to maintain the status quo.

That's one of the many reasons Constitutional Amendment 7 is so important. It will generate new revenues that will allow us to continue to improve safety by maintaining the system, provide Missourians with the services they've told us they need, and enable the Commission to reinstate the cost-share program.

With that program back in place, we'll be able to leverage the \$5.4 billion in CA-7 projected projects and programs even further.

Onward!

Stephen R. Miller
Chairman

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