LRRB Funding

- Legislatively funded (1959)
- Up to 1/2% of State Aid allocation devoted to local road research
- Research is:
  - Managed by the LRRB
  - Conducted by DOT, U of M, MnSCU, other universities, Consultants, etc.
  - Administered by MnDOT Research Services
LRRB Membership

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LRRB Process

Research
- Mn/DOT
- MnROAD
- U of M
- MnSCU
- Consultants
- Outstate Universities

Communication
- RIC

Training
- LTAP

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Projects Highlights - Past Projects:

- Traffic Sign Maintenance/Management Handbook
- Traffic Generators
- Pavement Management DVD
- Sign Retroreflectivity – A Minnesota Toolkit
- Implements of Husbandry
- Rural Road Safety Solutions and Maintenance Workshops
Trail Corridor Management:

- Recently many trails have been paved as part of a federal project
- Federal funding requires maintenance for 20 years
- LRRB developed a workshop and maintenance checklist (frequency and action plan)
- LTAP hosting three workshops:
  - March 13, 2012 – Brainerd
  - March 28, 2012 – Medina
  - March 29, 2012 – Rochester
- 2011RIC05
Dust Control:

- The LRRB is developing a “Consumer Reports” type report highlighting dust suppressants typically used in MN.
- Report compare various dust suppressants:
  - Attributes
  - Limitations
  - Application
  - Origin
  - Environmental Impacts
- Estimated Completion: March 2012

We need your opinion of dust suppressants!
(see handout)
Your input is appreciated!
ADA Transition Plans:

• The ADA compliance deadline was in 1995, however many agencies still do not have a transition plan in place for facilities within the public ROW.

• A model transition plan is being developed to assist agencies in developing their own plan.

• Deliverables:
  • Model Transition Plan
  • Process flowchart for compliance
  • Self evaluation inventory template
  • Workshop PPT

• Estimated completion: Spring 2012
Complete Streets:

- A resource for agencies that are interested in understanding and/or adopting a Complete Streets policy/process.

Deliverables:

- Complete Streets Resource for MN Local Agencies
  - Overview
  - Local/national practices
  - Understanding terms
  - Implementation
  - MN Complete Streets experience
- Workshop PPT

Estimated completion: Summer 2012
Road Safety – Toward Zero Deaths:

• Many traffic fatalities are due to driver behavior issues
• This project will integrate practices from local, state and federal safety partners
• Will help local agencies gain a better understanding of when and how to expend limited safety funding to effectively address driver behavior.
• Expected start: Summer 2012
More Information

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