

Railroad Revolving Loan and Grant Program FY 2023 Funding Cycle September 13, 2022 Commission Workshop



Railroad Revolving Loan and Grant Program

- Created by legislation in 2005
- Purpose: To provide loans and grants for railroad related improvement projects to benefit Iowa.
- Funded by loan repayments and appropriations by the lowa Legislature. Funding is available to cities, counties, economic development organizations, businesses, rail companies and alliances of such organizations.



Available Funding and Application Summary

- Available Funding:
 - FY 2023 Legislative appropriation (RIIF): \$2,000,000
 - Loan repayments and rescinded funds: \$4,300,000
 - Total Available: \$6.3 million
- Application Summary:
 - Total number of projects: 7
 - Total rail project costs: \$27,015,941
 - Total amount requested: \$13,250,230



Project Evaluation Criteria

• Targeted Job Creation Projects:

Hourly wage rates must meet 100% of the average county wage criteria:

- Job leverage: 40 pts
- Wage quality: 20 pts
- Capital investment: 20 pts
- Loan leverage: 20 pts

• Rail Network Improvement Projects:

- Project readiness
- Rail network impact
- Economic impact
- Financial readiness

• Rail Port Planning and Development Studies:

- Existing/potential site information
- Goals of the study
- Organizational structure and capacity to complete the study



Applications Received & Recommended Awards

PROJECT NAME	SPONSOR	SCORE	TOTAL RAIL PROJECT COST	REQUESTED AMOUNT (% of Total Project Cost)	RECOMMENDED AMOUNT (% of Total Project Cost)
Alta, Iowa Soybean Crush Plant (Buena Vista)	Platinum Crush, LLC	32.8 (Targeted Jobs)	\$14,070,389	Loan: \$2,000,000 (14.2%) Grant: \$612,000 (4.3%)	Loan: \$2,000,000 (14.2%) Grant: \$612,000 (4.3%)
Floyd Valley Transload (Woodbury)	Floyd Valley Transload, LLC	28.2 (Targeted Jobs)	\$981,000	Loan: \$664,800 (67.8%) Grant: \$120,000 (12.2%)	Loan: \$664,800 (67.8%) Grant: \$120,000 (12.2%)
lceCap Cold Storage (Pottawattamie)	US Property, Inc.	25.5 (Targeted Jobs)	\$1,349,144	Loan: \$503,315 (37.3%) Grant: \$576,000 (42.7%)	Loan: \$503,315 (37.3%) Grant: \$576,000 (42.7%)



Applications Received & Recommended Awards Contd.

PROJECT NAME	SPONSOR	SCORE	TOTAL RAIL PROJECT COST	REQUESTED AMOUNT (% of Total Project Cost)	RECOMMENDE D AMOUNT (% of Total Project Cost)
CP Unit Train Expansion Phase 5 (Clayton)	Pattison Sand Company	N/A (Rail Network Improvement)	\$2,700,000	Loan: \$2,000,000 (74.1%)	Loan: \$1,650,000 (61.1%)
Booneville North Transload Facility (Dallas)	Legacy Materials	N/A (Planning Study)	\$125,000	Grant: \$100,000 (80%)	Grant: \$100,000 (80%)
Pacific Junction South Industrial Park Transload Facility (Mills)	Mills County Economic Development Foundation	N/A (Planning Study)	\$103,050	Grant: \$82,440 (80%)	Grant: \$82,440 (80%)

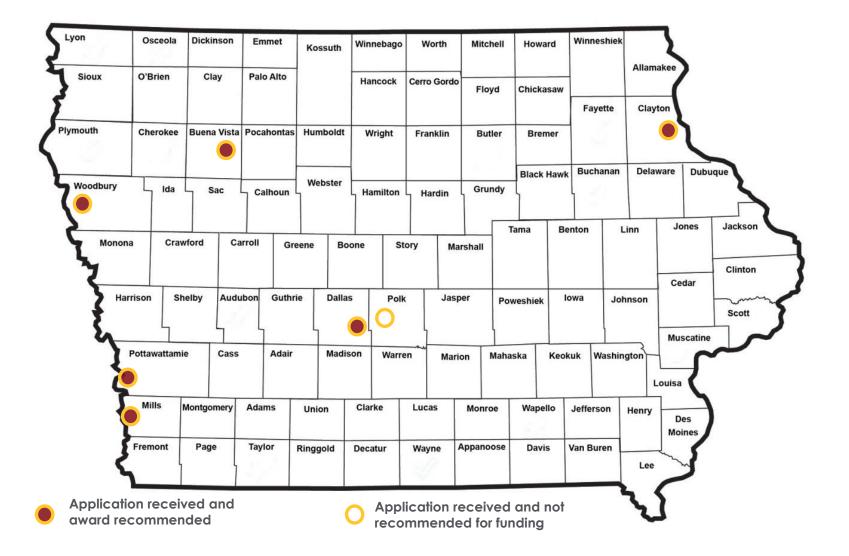


Applications Received & Not Recommended for Award

PROJECT NAME	SPONSOR	SCORE	TOTAL RAIL PROJECT COST	REQUESTED AMOUNT (% of Total Project Cost)	RECOMMENDED AMOUNT (% of Total Project Cost)
Central Iowa Railport & Logistics Park Phase 2 (Polk)	Ten D/Merchants Distribution Service	N/A (Rail Network Improvement)	\$7,687,358	Loan: \$6,149,866 (80%)	Loan: 0 (0%)



Map of Applications Received



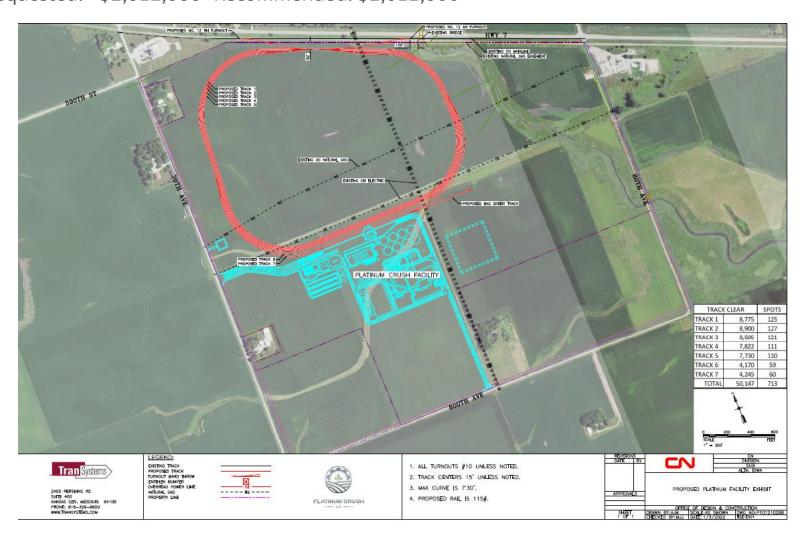


QUESTIONS?

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Soybean Crush Plant – Alta

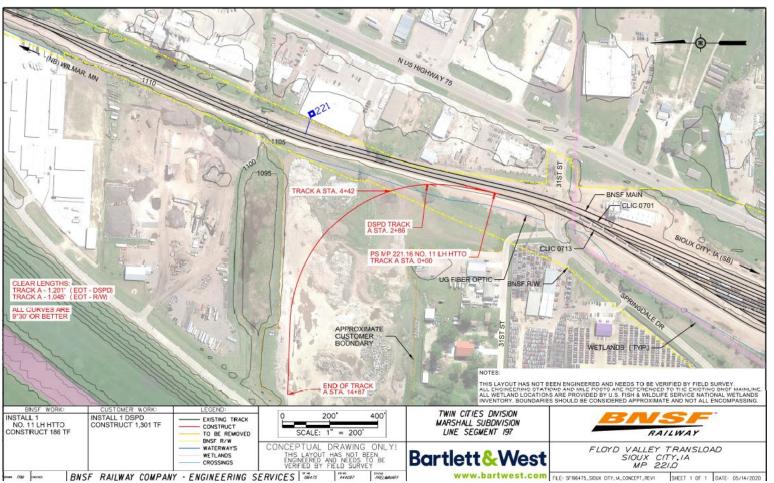
Company is building a plant in Alta, Iowa to process soybeans into soybean meal and soybean oil. They will be shipping the products via the Canadian National Railroad. Total Rail Cost: \$14,070,389 Requested: \$2,612,000 Recommended: \$2,612,000



Floyd Valley Transload

The company is building a transload for shipping to and from the Sioux City, IA area. The proposed project will add the needed railroad infrastructure (switch and track) to create the transload and connect to the BNSF railroad.

Total Cost: \$981,000 Requested: \$784,800 Recommended: \$784,800



IceCap Cold Storage

Project will provide cold storage and transload of perishable products, with significant coldstorage capacity and connection to the UP railroad.

Total Cost: \$2,412,166

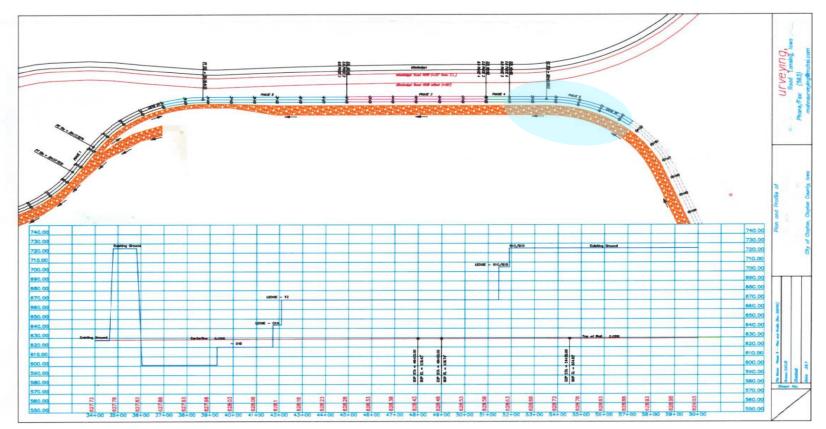
Requested: \$1,521,124 Recommended: \$1,079,315



CP Unit Train Expansion (Pattison Sand V)

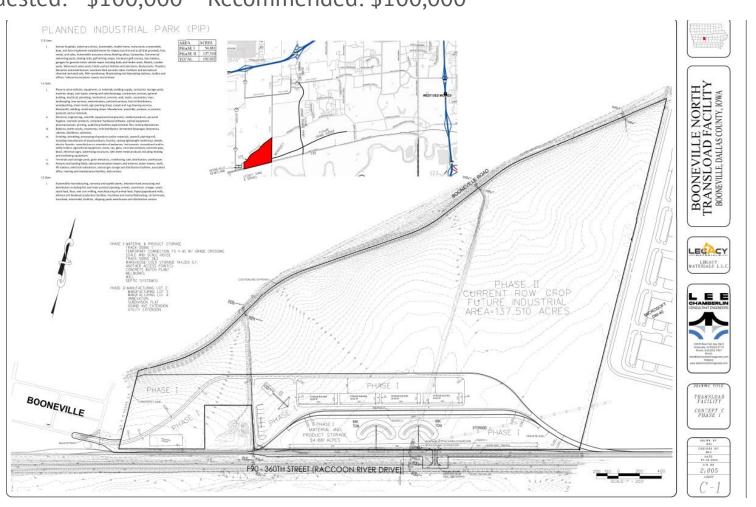
The project will construct rail to add an additional 400 feet of track for three spurs.

Total Cost: \$2,700,000 Requested: \$2,000,000 Recommended: \$1,650,000



Booneville North Transload Facility

The purpose of the study is to determine the feasibility of a transload facility to serve Dallas County. The study will determine the current and future needs of the area and prepare a plan for an efficient rail transportation to meet those needs. Total Cost: \$125,000 Requested: \$100,000 Recommended: \$100,000



Pacific Junction South Industrial Park Transload Planning Study

The Mills County Economic Development Foundation seeks to develop approximately 217 acres of land located south of Pacific Junction, Iowa into a railport/transload facility. The development study will assess the feasibility of the facility and determine the economic impacts to the city, county, and region.

Total Cost: \$103,050 Requested: \$82,440 Recommended: \$82,440



Central Iowa Railport & Logistics Park Phase 2 Project includes adding 1 mile+ new rail and replace/upgrade/make accessible 1.5 mile+ of existing rail, adding additional transloading service capacities and capabilities.

Total Cost: \$7,687,358 Requested: \$6,149,866 Recommended: \$0

