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March 14, 2017

MT Department of Transportation Transportation Alternatives Program Dave Holien PO Box 201001 Helena, MT 59620-1001

Dear Mr. Holien:

The Town of Twin Bridges is requesting \$288,118.00 from the MDT Transportation Alternatives (TA) Program for the construction of sidewalks to increase safety, connectivity, and accessibility. Creating and promoting a safe, walkable and bikeable community is a high priority in Twin Bridges, and the Town is committed to developing a consistent sidewalk system throughout our community.

TA funding will enable us to construct new sidewalk along West 6th Ave, North Bridge Street, West 5th Ave, Wray Street, and West 8th Ave. Construction will include ADA ramps at each intersection and include crosswalks at W 5Th and Main, and on 6th Ave, leading to the school. This project will greatly improve safety and connectivity surrounding the Twin Bridges school campus.

The proposed project will build on the Town's current efforts to the safety of West 6th. This sidewalk improvement project is part of a larger effort by the Town to improve safety, traffic flow, and drainage in the vicinity of the school. In addition to this proposed MDT project, the Town of Twin Bridges, in partnership with the Twin Bridges Public school, are funding a stormwater project along W 6th Ave, as well as a traffic flow project. The stormwater project and traffic flow project, coupled with the proposed sidewalk project, will make W 6th Ave significantly safer for students walking to and from school.

Our project enjoys a broad base of community support, as indicated in the large amount of letters of support from community members, and we are committed to providing a match of 13.42% of the total construction cost, including Indirect Costs once the MDT awards TA funding to our project.

We appreciate your consideration of the proposed project, and look forward to working with you to make Twin Bridges a safer and healthier community.

Thomas O. Hyndman

Thomas Hyndman

Town of Twin Bridges, Mayor

Town Council: President- Matt Greemore, Annette McLean, David Smith, David Banks Jr., and Joe Willauer
Mayor: Tom Hyndman Town Clerk/Treasurer: Kristi Millhouse

Mayor: Tom Hyndman To Maintenance Supervisor: Sam Novich

Maintenance: Rick Zahn

TOWN OF TWIN BRIDGES

Montana Transportation Alternatives (TA) Program 2017-2018 TA Application

March 2017



Montana Transportation Alternatives (TA) Program Traditional Transportation Alternatives 2017 – 2018 TA Application Town of Twin Bridges

1. Project Name

Town of Twin Bridges Sidewalk Improvement Project

2. Local Entity Sponsor (Sponsor) and Population

Town of Twin Bridges, population under 5,000

3. Project Contact (name, title, address, phone number(s), email)

Thomas Hyndman Town of Twin Bridges, Mayor

P.O. Box 307

Twin Bridges, MT 59754 Phone: (406) 684-5243 Email: townoftb@3rivers.net

4. Estimated Total Project Cost

Task	Estimated Cost
Preliminary Engineering *Includes Pedestrian Study	\$80,000.00
for Crosswalk	
Construction (+15% Contingency) (W/IDC)	\$218,874.00
Construction Administration (W/IDC)	\$32,831.00
Total	\$331,706.00

TA Match	\$288,118.00
Local Match 13.42%	\$43,588.00

5. Project Eligibility

TA Criteria

The Town of Twin Bridges proposes to design and construct ADA-compliant concrete sidewalks and conduct a pedestrian study to evaluate crosswalks, which are eligible activities as outlined in the FAST Act. The Town proposes to construct sidewalks, in a prioritized approach, along West 6th Ave, North Bridge Street, and West 5th Ave (Priority 1) and Wray Street and West 8th Ave (Priority 2), as indicated on the project map in Appendix A. The Town also proposes to facilitate a pedestrian study to evaluate the crosswalks on Main St. This project falls under the following three FAST ACT eligible activities: Construction, planning, and design of on-road and off-road trail facilities for pedestrians, bicyclists, and other non-motorized forms of transportation, including sidewalk and projects to achieve compliance with the ADA; Construction, planning, and design of infrastructure-related projects and systems that will

provide safe routes for non-drivers, including children, older adults, and individuals with disabilities to access daily needs; and The Safe Routes to School program under §1404 of SAFETEA–LU.

TransPlanMT

The proposed project meets the Economic Development and Bicycle and Pedestrian Transportation Policies and Actions as identified in the TransPlanMT.

Economic Development: Policy Goal C. Support state and local economic development initiatives to maximize new economic opportunities.

 Action C.3. Continue to coordinate with and provide support to local economic development initiatives.

It is becoming commonly understood that pedestrian friendly communities support local economic development by attracting tourists, businesses, seasonal and year-round residents, boosts housing values, and supports local business. Evidence shows a strong correlation between walkable communities and economic development and the proposed project will make Twin Bridges a more pedestrian friendly community, helping stimulate the local economy and advancing the Town's economic development goals, as outlined in the Town's 2013 Growth Policy.

Bicycle and Pedestrian Transportation: Policy Goal A. Institutionalize bicycle and pedestrian modes.

• Action A.3. Assist other units of government to provide transportation facilities that encourage or consider use by bicyclists and pedestrians.

The proposal is to construct sidewalks that will be used by pedestrians. The new sidewalks will improve safety, connectivity, and accessibility, all of which will encourage walking and advance Action A.3.

• Action A.6. Encourage the implementation of bicycle and pedestrian projects in the vicinity of kindergarten through grade 8 schools through the Safe Routes to School Program.

The proposed sidewalk project connects the Twin Bridges Schools (K-12) to surrounding neighborhoods and downtown, directly supporting the statewide Safe Routes to School Program, and advancing Action A.6.

Local Transportation Plan

Neither the Town of Twin Bridges, nor Madison County have a Local Transportation Plan. However, the Town's Growth Policy supports the proposed project and contains goals including establishing safe pedestrian access, as well as bicycle facilities. As part of a larger effort to make the area around the school safer, the Town is improving stormwater drainage and improving traffic flow in front of the school, as described below. The proposed project, in conjunction with the Town's other efforts to improve 6th Ave, will enhance local transportation by providing an improved and safer route to walk from residential areas, downtown, and the school campus. Well-connected, accessible, multimodal networks are a staple to a successful and safe transportation system.

6. Project Statement

a. Project narrative/abstract

The proposed project, within the Town limits, is to construct new sidewalk, with ADA curb ramps and detectable warming devices at each intersection, along West 6th Ave, North Bridge Street, and West 5th

Ave and Wray Street and West 8th Ave, as indicated on the project map in Appendix A. All sidewalks will be 5-feet wide. The project is divided into priority one and priority two. The Town hopes to complete both priorities, however if funding is not available to complete the whole project, the Town will proceed with the project and complete priority one. Outline below are the details of each priority.

- Priority 1: Construct sidewalk along W 6th Ave from Main St to Wray St, including ADA curb ramps and crosswalk and signage; sidewalk with ADA curb ramps on the north side of 6th Ave; sidewalk along N Bridge St between W 6th Ave and W 5th Ave; and sidewalk along W 5th Ave between N Bridge Street and Main St. All sidewalks at parking entry and parking locations will be lay-down curb and gutter, and/or lay down sidewalk to allow drive-over and parking.
- Priority 2: Construct sidewalk with ADA curb ramp at the west end of the north side of W 6th Ave; sidewalk along Wray St with ADA curb ramps; and along W 8th Ave. All sidewalk at parking entry and parking locations will be lay-down curb and gutter, and/or lay down sidewalk to allow drive-over and parking. The sidewalk along 8th Ave ends where indicated on the map due to major utilities in the area, no connection beyond that point on W 8th Ave, and limited funding the provide sidewalk along the rest of W 8th Ave. In addition, the goal of the sidewalk on W 8th Ave is to connect the elementary school parent drop off location on W 8th Ave to the elementary school entrance. The area along W 8th Ave is used as a parent drop off location, and there is no safe access for students to get from this location to the school. The sidewalk is located along the fence on the school property to allow students to be dropped off and walk safely in front of vehicles.

Based on discussions with MDT Butte District Staff, the Town also proposes to facilitate a pedestrian study to evaluate the crosswalks on Main Street. Currently, there is a crosswalk on 6Th Ave and Main, as well as 4Th Ave and Main. However, according to the City, even though the crosswalk on 6th provides connectivity to the school, pedestrians, including children, continuously cross Main St at 5Th Ave. The pedestrian study will evaluate crossings on Main Street and determine the most effective and safe crossing. The study will look at potentially adding a third crosswalk at 5th and Main or replacing the rarely used crosswalk at 6th and Main with one at 5th. A new sidewalk on 5th Ave would connect with the proposed sidewalk construction in priority 1 of this project, and provide a safe crossing where many currently cross.

The project is within Town Right-Of-Way (R/W) and no easement or purchase of R/W's are necessary for the project. The goal of this project is to provide connectivity from neighborhoods and downtown area to the Twin Bridges School while increasing student and pedestrian safety.

The proposed project will build on the Town's current efforts to improve W 6th. This sidewalk improvement project is part of a larger effort by the Town to improve safety, traffic flow, and drainage around the school. In addition to this proposed MDT project, the Town of Twin Bridges, in partnership with the Twin Bridges Public school, is funding a stormwater project along W 6th Ave, as well as a traffic flow project, as indicated in Map 2 in Appendix A. The stormwater project, which will be finished prior to the proposed sidewalk project, consists of curb and gutters that will collect and route runoff appropriately. Any current drainage issues will be addressed with this stormwater project. In conjunction with the stormwater project, the Town will be improving traffic flow on 6th ave by making the street a one-way from N. Bridge St to Wray St and removing the parking area in front of the high school.

Currently, parents drop students off in front of the high school and then frequently make a U-Turn back onto W 6th St to go back toward downtown. This is dangerous for school children and other motorists. Making 6th Ave a one-way street in front of the school and eliminating this parking will make this pick up and drop off location significantly safer for pedestrians, as well as bicyclist and vehicles. In addition, the project will change the parking on the South side of W 6th Ave to angle parking to allow access to the PE complex. These projects, slated for construction in the fall 2018, coupled with the proposed sidewalk project will make 6th Ave substantially safer for pedestrians.

Construction of the new sidewalks will have the following community benefits:

- o *Increase connectivity:* Construction of the new sidewalk will increase connectivity between the school and residential areas, well as downtown. Currently, the only sidewalk along the school property is on the North side of W 6th Ave, as indicated on the project map. The new sidewalk along the South side of W 6th Ave, along with new sidewalk on N. Bridge Street and W 5th Ave, will increase connectivity from the school to residential areas and downtown. In addition, the school bus drop off is on Wray St and the parent drop off location is on W. 8th Ave. Currently, there is no connectivity from either drop off location to the school. Constructing a sidewalk on Wray St and W 8th Ave will provide connectivity from both drop off locations to the school entrances. As addressed above, the proposed sidewalk on W 8th Ave ends as indicated on the map due to major utilities in the area, lack of sidewalk to connect to along the rest of W 8th Ave, and lack of funding. The proposed project in priority 2 will connect the parent drop off location on W 8th Ave with the elementary school entrance.
- O Improve safety: The proposed project will improve safety for pedestrian around the school. Sidewalks provide a physical barrier between the pedestrian and motor vehicle, making it safer for both pedestrians and drivers. Additionally, this project along with the Town's other efforts to improve W 6th Ave through a stormwater project and traffic flow improvement project, will make the street safer for all users. The proposed sidewalk along W 8th Ave will be constructed along the school fence line to allow students to be dropped off and walk safely in front of traffic to the school entrance.
- Make Twin Bridges a more pedestrian friendly Town: This project will add to the Town's non-motorized infrastructure and increase the towns overall walkability. Making Twin Bridges a pedestrian-friendly town will increase quality of life for current residents, promote an active and healthy life style, increase air quality, as well as attract tourists, seasonal residents, year-round residents, and businesses. There is innumerous research on the economic, social, and environmental benefits of creating and promoting a pedestrian friendly community, including from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA).
- O The number of students walking to school will increase and support Safe Route to School Initiatives: This project will greatly improve pedestrian connections from the Twin Bridges school campus to the residential neighborhoods, as well as several businesses in downtown. More children will walk to school if there is a safe, accessible sidewalk, and more parents will feel confident their children are safe walking to school with a safe, connect sidewalk system. The proposed improvements also directly addressed MDT's Safe Route to Schools goals.

b) Project benefits

As outlined below, the benefits of this project advance MDT's priorities including increased safety,

accessibility, and connectivity.

SAFETY:

This project will greatly increase safety on the northwest side of the Town, particularly for school children. Currently, there is no safe route for school children to get from residential areas and downtown to the school, which is a safety concern identified by the community. As seen in the photos in Appendix E, students often walk through parking lots and in the streets. Under the Public Safety section of the Town's Growth Policy, the Town identifies establishing safe pedestrian access through town as a primary goal.

The proposed project will provide safe sidewalks for students walking from residential areas throughout town to and from school. As indicated in the Madison County Sheriff's Letter of Support in Appendix B, this project will help separate school pedestrian traffic from vehicle traffic, and significantly improve safety around the school. In addition to the construction of new sidewalks, the proposed pedestrian study will evaluate the crossings along Main Street and determine the safest and most effective crossing to safety route pedestrians across Main Street.

Coupled with the project to improve traffic flow on W 6th Ave, this project will make the area around the school significantly safer for school children and other residents. Additionally, there are significant drainage issues on 6th Ave (Appendix E), causing safety issues, particularly in the winter and the Town's drainage project will also have impacts on safety. This will be addressed with the stormwater project prior to the sidewalk project.

ACCESSIBILITY:

Persons with a disability and elderly are often not able to drive a vehicle. By having accessible pedestrian facilities those who do not have the option of driving can safely walk or use a wheel chair. The proposed project will construct ADA-compliant sidewalks including ADA curb ramps and detectable warming devices, increasing accessibility in the northwest side of Town. All sidewalks connecting to the school are currently or will be ADA compliant. The design will comply with the width, grade, cross slope, curb ramp, and passing space requirements listed in the ADA Accessibility Guidelines. The construction of the ADA-compliant sidewalks will greatly improve accessibility for residents who cannot use a vehicle, advancing MDT's accessibility priority.

The project also furthers the goals of the Montana State Plan on Aging. The primary goal of the Plan is to enable older Montanans to maintain an independent lifestyle, avoid unnecessary institutional care, and live in dignity. Accessible sidewalks are a major driver in an elderly person's ability to stay independent. Constructing ADA compliant sidewalks and curbs will allow all residents to safety move throughout Town and provide increased independence for elderly and those with limited mobility.

CONNECTIVITY:

This project will increase the connectivity not only between the school and residential areas and downtown, but also around the school campus. The connectivity of pedestrian facilities directly impacts the ability to walk (or bicycle) to school and a well-connected transportation network decreases travel distance and increases route options and can facilitate walking. Currently, the only

sidewalk around the school is on the north side of W 6th Ave, which is not connected to any other sidewalk system. The proposed project will provide connectivity around the school to residential areas east of the school. The school bus drop off is on Wray St and the parent drop off location is on W. 8th Ave, and there is no connectivity from either drop off location to the school. Constructing a sidewalk on Wray St and W 8th Ave will provide connectivity from both drop off locations to the school entrances. The pedestrian study will evaluate the crossings along Main Street and determine the safest and most effective crossing to safely route pedestrians across Main Street. The recommended crosswalks on Main Street will increase connectivity between the east and west sides of Town.

The proposed project is critical to having a well-connected system of walking paths in Twin Bridges. Connectivity will have the following benefits to the community:

- Pedestrian connections to key locations in Twin Bridges, including the school campus, will increase options and increase walking.
- Well-connected transportation networks increase efficiency of routes and reduces the distances traveled to reach destinations, facilitating walking.
- Increased levels of connectivity are associated with higher levels of physical activity from transportation, resulting in a healthier and more welcoming community. Connected sidewalk networks promote a healthier, more active lifestyle as well as improve the aesthetic appearance of each neighborhood.

c) Project risk Analysis

Budget

The Twin Bridges sidewalk improvement budget includes the costs for preliminary engineering (PE) construction administration (CA), and construction. Fifteen percent contingency is applied to construction, and PE and CA is a percentage of construction, including contingency to both PE and CA. The total estimated cost for the project for both priority 1 and priority 2 is \$331,706.00. Costs were estimated by licensed engineers at Great West Engineering (See Appendix C). Appendix C includes both priority 1 and 2, as well as the cost estimates for the 6th Ave stormwater and traffic flow project that the Town is taking on. Along with the required match commitment to the sidewalk project, the Town and school is committing \$424,513 to make additional improvements to 6th Ave to increase the safety of the area.

Matching Funds

The Town has committed the 13.42% match of the total cost of the project. Priority 1 of the project will cost an estimated \$246,871.00 with a local match requirement of \$32,203.00 (13.42%). Priority 2 of the project will cost an estimated \$84,834.00 with a local match requirement of \$11,385.00 (13.42%). Together, both priorities of the project are estimated to cost \$331,706.00 with a total match requirement of \$43,588.00, which the Town has committed to as indicated in Appendix D.

The cost estimate includes indirect cost (IDC) assessment at the 2017 rate of 10.97%, and the Town is prepared to pay the IDC on the required local match (Appendix D).

Public Involvement

Creating and promoting a safe, walkable community and advancing connectivity is a high priority in Twin Bridges. As outlined above, connectivity of nonmotorized facilities is a priority outlined in the Growth Policy, created with public input.

The Town has held a number of public meetings regarding this project. On January 10, 2017, the Town Council held their first meeting to discuss the MDT TA program and potential projects. On January 17th the School Board had a meeting to discuss the TA program and potential projects and coordination with the Town. On February 21st the Town and School Board held a joint meeting to discuss their coordinated efforts to improve the safety of the school area. The meeting discussed potential projects and identified priorities.

On March 14, 2017 the City Council hosted a public meeting to take comment on the proposed project. There is significant community support for this project, as demonstrated at the public meeting and evidenced in the letters of support describing the need for the proposed improvements and community's enthusiasm for the project (Appendix B).

Businesses and residents have been contacted about the project and their input regarding the project has been considered. The Town will continue to communicate with businesses and residents during project design to ensure the community's needs are accommodated as much as possible, particularly with concern to parking.

MDT Coordination

Representatives from Great West Engineering have discussed the proposed project with MDT Butte District PE, Jen Nelson and Dave Holien, Acting TA/CTEP Engineer. Letter of Support from Ms. Nelson is included in Appendix B. The sponsor is aware that a consulting engineer will be required for the project and that there are specific requirements associated with MDT and FHWA projects. The consulting engineer and MDT will guide the sponsor to meet the requirements.

Project Independence

This proposed project is a stand-alone project and will facilitate connectivity with other parts of the Town without additional work. The project will tie into the Town's stormwater and traffic flow projects, as discussed above. The stormwater and traffic flow projects are currently underway and slated for construction to begin in Fall 2018. The projects will be completed prior to construction of the sidewalk project, and will enhance the sidewalk projects benefits. Together, these three projects will make W 6th Ave safer, particularly for students walking to and from school. Once completed the sidewalk project will increase safety, connectivity, and accessibility west of Main.

Project Ownership and Maintenance

Maintenance may include sweeping, snow removal, crack sealing on surfacing, and other activities necessary for public use and safety. Maintenance will be provided by the Town of Twin Bridges.

Right-Of-Way

No Right-of-Way (R/W) will be purchased and the project will be completed in Town R/W. The ownership of the R/W has been verified using Montana Cadastral, as shown on the project map in

Appendix A, and confirmed with correspondence with Town personnel.

Utilities

Visual inspection of the site and correspondence with Town staff did not identify conflicts with utilities and any utilities identified prior to the application have been included in the cost estimate to account for relocation or other impact on the utility. Based on conversations with Town staff and consulting engineer's familiarity with the project area, no addition utilities are anticipated to be impacted by the installation of the sidewalks.

The consulting engineer hired for the project will conduct a formal utility survey during project design. The sidewalks will be designed to avoid and have as minimal an impact as possible on utilities. Due to surveying and utility locates conducted prior to construction, it is unlikely that utilities will be discovered during construction. If it is determined utilities will be impacted, the Town and consulting engineer will contact the utility company to plan for appropriate action.

APPENDIX A

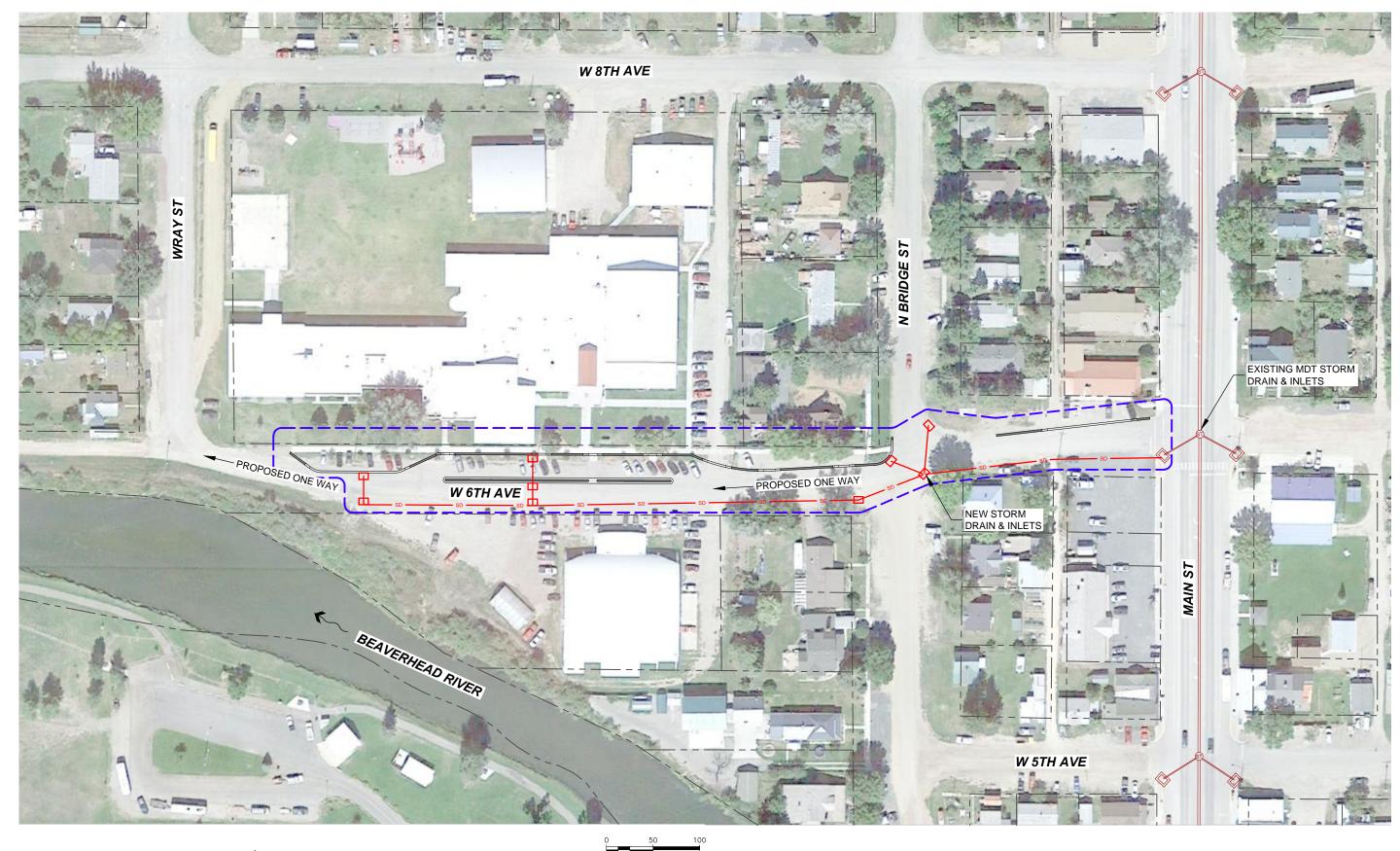
PROJECT MAP







TOWN OF TWIN BRIDGES 2017-2018 TA APPLICATION







6TH AVENUE STORMWATER & TRAFFIC FLOW PROJECT

APPENDIX B

LETTERS OF SUPPORT

From: Nelson, Jen
To: Holien, David

Cc: Elisa Prescott; Ebert, Jeff

Subject: Butte District Support - Twin Bridges TA project

Date: Wednesday, March 22, 2017 1:31:18 PM

Dave,

I am writing on behalf of the Butte District to express support for Twin Bridges' TA application to construct sidewalk in various locations, including Wray Street, 8th Avenue, 6th Avenue, 5th Avenue, and Bridge Street. The project was reviewed with the Town's consultant prior to their application submittal and it is the opinion of the District that this project would provide useful connections between existing pedestrian facilities in the area of the school. This project will enhance safety for all users, particularly children.

We appreciate the opportunity to provide input about the proposed TA projects in our District. Please contact Jeff Ebert or me if you have questions or wish to discuss.

Warm Regards,

Jen

Jennifer Nelson, PE

District Engineering Services Engineer 406.641.2536 jennelson@mt.gov

OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF

Madison County, Montana

Roger Thompson Sheriff P.O. Box 276 Virginia City, MT 59755 (406) 843-5301

Phil Fortner Undersheriff

January 30, 2017

Dave Holien, MDT TA Program Manager Montana Department of Transportation PO BOX 201001 Helena, MT 59620

RE: Letter of Support for Sidewalks and Curbing in Twin Bridges

Dear Mr. Holien,

I have been made aware by the Twin Bridges Town Council that Twin Bridges wishes to enhance traffic safety in the town by the installation of sidewalks and curbing for pedestrian traffic in and around the school area.

I wish to express my support for this effort. I know that the Madison County Sheriff's Office is aware of the amount of traffic approaching Twin Bridges from the three main highways that converge in the most populated area of Twin Bridges which is the same area used by pedestrians crossing MT Highway 41 from the Twin Bridges School to the business area of the town. The town of Twin Bridges experiences a variety of travelers in the form of local resident traffic and traffic from close-by urban areas such as Butte.

The idea to install sidewalks and curbing to help delineate a safer area for school pedestrian traffic from vehicle traffic is a good one that will enhance the safety of the town. I would be glad to pass along my endorsement for the plan in order to enhance the safety of the public within Twin Bridges.

Sincerely,

Roger Thompson

Madison County Sheriff

Twin Bridges Public Schools

Consolidated Schools District No. 7, Madison County
PO Box 419, 216 West 6th Ave
Twin Bridges, MT 59754
Phone: (406) 684-5656

March 6, 2017

Dear Grant Committee:

I write this letter in support of the TA grant program funding for the upcoming cycle. The Town of Twin Bridges and the Twin Bridges K-12 SD have "partnered" together in order to remedy some safety concerns that both the town and the school have regarding our roadways, sidewalks and storm water drainage! I do realize that not all of the above mentioned "fixes" are grant applicable, but in order to do the project right...all phases of improvement must be completed.

What Twin Bridges Schools has identified to this point...

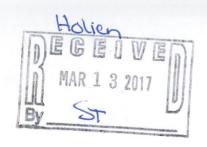
- Due to the lack of sidewalks and safe walking zones, we clearly have a transportation issue with local in-town students and those students that are allowed to walk downtown at lunch time. They have very inadequate "safe routes" to get them downtown. This project will allow for alternative routes for our students to travel to local businesses in a safe and efficient manner.
- Storm water drainage is non-existent; we have pools of water that cover hundreds of square feet from November to March...those areas exist in high traffic crossings and parking along the street where pedestrian traffic is very high and honestly, quite dangerous!
- One other item we are looking to complete is to change our street in front of the school
 to a one-way; this will allow for better flow of traffic and a MUCH safer environment for
 school drop-offs in the morning. We have so many near misses with students, drivers
 and parents; this needs to be remedied in the very near future.

As you can see, much of the areas of concern that both the TA program can help with and the responsibility that the school and town will have to undergo, it all revolves around the safety of our students. Again, I respectfully request that the town of Twin Bridges be considered for such assistance in creating a safe and efficient environment for our students, parents, staff and community members. Please feel free to contact me at 406-684-5656 if you have further questions. Thank you!

Respectfully,

Eldon C. Johnson, Supt

Twin Bridges Schools



Dave Holien
TA Program Manager
Montana Department of Transportation
P.O. Box 201001
Helena, MT 59620-1001

Dear Mr. Holien,

As a parent and/or member of the Twin Bridges Community, I support the Town's efforts to obtain a Transportation Alternatives Program grant from the Montana Department of Transportation. Our children's safety is a primary concern for our community and having safe sidewalks for them to get to and from school is extremely important. The proposed project would provide this by constructing sidewalks on Wray Street, W 8th Avenue, W 5th Avenue, N. Bridge Street and W 6th Avenue.

We appreciate your consideration in funding our project to provide our children with safe routes to school.

Sincerely,

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113 WISCONSIN CREEK WEST
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I have 2 kids in Twin Bridges School, 8th + 10th grader
Safety in the area is a concern and steps should be taken to insure safety + easy travel near the school.

Thanks Claner 3/8/17 Joseph J Willauer PO Box 546 Twin Bridges, MT 59754 <u>jwillauer@headwatersrcd.org</u>

1/26/17

To Whom It May Concern:

Please accept this letter as my support of the Twin Bridges 6th Ave. Sidewalk Improvement project. As a resident of Twin Bridges, I understand the importance of improving our sidewalks and walkable areas of our community. The section of street that this project is targeting, directly in front of the school, is of the utmost importance. Completing this project will provide a safe path for students to walk, improve traffic flow, and eliminate hazardous crossings that currently exist. The public benefit of this project will be felt community wide, and will receive strong support from the town.

Please help to support the safety and walkability of our community by supporting this project. If you have any other questions please don't hesitate to contact me, 406.925.9622.

Thanks.

Joseph J Willauer Twin Bridges Town Council Member

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APPENDIX C

COST ESTIMATE



OPINION OF PROBABLE COST

PROJECT	DATE
TOWN OF TWIN BRIDGES, 2017-2018 TA APPLICATION	3/20/2017

		Local	
SUMMARY BY PHASE	TA Match	Match (13.42%)	TOTAL COST
Priority 1	\$214,669	\$32,203	\$246,871
Priority 2	\$73,449	\$11,385	\$84,834
TOTAL	\$288,118	\$43,588	\$331,706

SUMMARY BY ACTIVITY

TOTAL	\$331,706
Pedestrian Study for New Crosswalk	\$10,000
Total Construction Admin. (w/IDC)	\$32,831
Total Preliminary Eng.	\$70,000
Total Construction (w/IDC)	\$218,874



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PROJECT	DATE
TOWN OF TWIN BRIDGES, 2017-2018 TA APPLICATION	3/20/2017

Priority 1

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ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION	QUANTITY	UNIT	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL PRICE
1	Mobilization	1	LS	\$12,600.00	\$12,600
2	Unclassified Excavation and Embankment	1	LS	\$18,800.00	\$18,800
3	4" Concrete Sidewalk	537	SY	\$60.00	\$32,191
4	6" Concrete Sidewalk @ Drive/Alley Approach	276	SY	\$80.00	\$22,107
5	Standard Curb and Gutter	498	LF	\$30.00	\$14,940
6	Laydown Curb and Gutter	434	LF	\$35.00	\$15,190
7	ADA Detectable Warning Device	3	EA	\$475.00	\$1,425
8	ADA Curb Ramp	3	EA	\$750.00	\$2,250
9	Site Restoration	1	LS	\$4,400.00	\$4,400
10	Crosswalk Striping	1	EA	\$500.00	\$500
11	Crosswalk Signs	2	EA	\$300.00	\$600
		CONSTRUCTION SUBTOTAL CONTINGENCY 15% CONSTRUCTION TOTAL			\$125,003
					\$18,750
					\$143,753
		PRELIMINARY ENGIN	EERING		\$53,500
		PEDESTRIAN STUDY for NEW CROSSWALK			\$10,000
	CONSTRUCTION ADMIN. 15%				\$21,563
		SUB TOTAL			\$228,816
		INDIRECT COST (IDC) - CONST. 10.97%			\$15,700.33
		INDIRECT COST (IDC) - CONST. ADMIN. 10.97%			\$2,355.05
GRAND			GRAND TOTAL		
		TA MATCH			\$214,669
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LOCAL MATCH

13.42%

\$32,203



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PROJECT	DATE
TOWN OF TWIN BRIDGES, 2017-2018 TA APPLICATION	3/20/2017

Priority 2

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ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION	QUANTITY	UNIT	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL PRICE
1	Mobilization	1	LS	\$4,700.00	\$4,700
2	Unclassified Excavation and Embankment	1	LS	\$7,000.00	\$7,000
3	4" Concrete Sidewalk	422.5	SY	\$60.00	\$25,350
4	6" Concrete Sidewalk @ Drive/Alley Approach	14.4	SY	\$80.00	\$1,156
5	Standard Curb and Gutter	102.9	LF	\$30.00	\$3,087
6	Laydown Curb and Gutter	32.0	LF	\$35.00	\$1,120
7	ADA Detectable Warning Device	2	EA	\$475.00	\$950
8	ADA Curb Ramp	2	EA	\$750.00	\$1,500
9	Site Restoration	1	LS	\$1,700.00	\$1,700
	CONSTRUCTION SUBTOTAL				\$46,563
		CONTINGENCY 15%			\$6,984
CONSTRU			ONSTRUCTION TOTAL		
	PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING				\$16,500
	CONSTRUCTION ADMIN. 15% SUB TOTAL				\$8,032
					\$78,079
	INDIRECT COST (IDC) - CONST. 10.97% INDIRECT COST (IDC) - CONST. ADMIN. 10.97%			\$5,874	
				\$881	
		GRAND TOTAL		\$84,834	
		TA MATCH			\$73,449

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LOCAL MATCH

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\$11,385

APPENDIX D

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

WHERE THE RIVERS MEET: RUBY, BEAVERHEAD, BIG HOLE, AND JEFFERSON

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March 14, 2017

MT Department of Transportation Transportation Alternatives Program Dave Holien PO Box 201001 Helena, MT 59620-1001

Dear Mr. Holien:

The Town of Twin Bridges is requesting \$288,118.00 from the MDT Transportation Alternatives (TA) Program for the construction of sidewalks to increase safety, connectivity, and accessibility. Creating and promoting a safe, walkable and bikeable community is a high priority in Twin Bridges, and the Town is committed to developing a consistent sidewalk system throughout our community.

TA funding will enable us to construct new sidewalk along West 6th Ave, North Bridge Street, West 5th Ave, Wray Street, and West 8th Ave. Construction will include ADA ramps at each intersection and include crosswalks at W 5Th and Main, and on 6th Ave, leading to the school. This project will greatly improve safety and connectivity surrounding the Twin Bridges school campus.

The proposed project will build on the Town's current efforts to the safety of West 6th. This sidewalk improvement project is part of a larger effort by the Town to improve safety, traffic flow, and drainage in the vicinity of the school. In addition to this proposed MDT project, the Town of Twin Bridges, in partnership with the Twin Bridges Public school, are funding a stormwater project along W 6th Ave, as well as a traffic flow project. The stormwater project and traffic flow project, coupled with the proposed sidewalk project, will make W 6th Ave significantly safer for students walking to and from school.

Our project enjoys a broad base of community support, as indicated in the large amount of letters of support from community members, and we are committed to providing a match of 13.42% of the total construction cost, including Indirect Costs once the MDT awards TA funding to our project.

We appreciate your consideration of the proposed project, and look forward to working with you to make Twin Bridges a safer and healthier community.

Thomas O. Hyndman

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Town of Twin Bridges, Mayor

Town Council: President- Matt Greemore, Annette McLean, David Smith, David Banks Jr., and Joe Willauer
Mayor: Tom Hyndman Town Clerk/Treasurer: Kristi Millhouse

Mayor: Tom Hyndman To Maintenance Supervisor: Sam Novich

Maintenance: Rick Zahn

APPENDIX E

PHOTOS

