Oil and Gas Producing Counties Conference

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NDDOT partnership with LTAP

- Work together to provide additional technical assistance to the 17 oil producing counties by:
  - Provide operation assistance
  - Bring in additional resources
  - Enhance communication with local agencies
The 2011 construction program totaled $596.8 million, with project completion at 85%.
HB 1012 provided $228.6 million (biennium total) for state highway projects in western ND.

- A total of $84.5 million in projects are under contract at this time.
- $60 million in projects were completed in 2011.

Projects for the remainder of the $228.6 M are currently being designed and will be bid in 2012 with construction completion scheduled prior to July of 2013.
$142 million for county/township road program

- HB 1012 provided for $142 million (biennium total) to be spent by the counties/townships on roads in the oil producing area. That funding allocation was distributed, and at this time $20 million has been spent on construction in 2011. The remainder is being designed and will be bid in 2012 and should be constructed prior to July 2013.
Federal funding update

$184 million of total regular Federal Funding statewide at this time.

- SAFETEA LU Extension until March 31
- 2012 construction program approximately $184 million unless Congress Extends SAFETEA LU beyond March 31, 2012.
Legislators amended HB 1012 to change sum of $120 million to **$200 million** for NDDOT to borrow from Bank of North Dakota for ER projects on state highways.

- One time funding and not considered part of the DOT’s 2013–15 budget.
- Any federal funding received for ER projects utilizing the loan will be used to repay BND.
Legislators also amended funding in appropriation for $142 million for oil impact counties.

- Amendment changes formula in which counties receive funding for gravel projects to 90% state funding and 10% local match funding.
North Dakota received excessive amounts of snow and rain in 2011. Due to the wet spring, flooding and landslides, NDDOT has been working on a large number of ER projects.

As of this date, ND has received approximately $5 million in federal funding for ER for the 2011 emergency events.

- $517.1 million
  - $350 million on state highways
  - $167.1 million on county roadways
Safety

- Safety is our number one priority.
  - One fatality is too many. Goal is for zero deaths on roadways.
  - As of 11/28/11 there have been 129 fatalities on our roadways with 70 of those fatalities not wearing a seatbelt.

- Primary contributing factors to fatal crashes
  - Alcohol
  - Not using seatbelts
  - Speed
  - Lane departure
Questions