



Illinois Department of Transportation

Office of Highways Project Implementation / Bureau of Local Roads & Streets
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CIRCULAR LETTER 2022-17

Immediate GATA Relief as granted by Public Act 102-1092 (HB 4489)

COUNTY ENGINEERS / SUPERINTENDENTS OF HIGHWAYS
MUNICIPAL ENGINEERS / PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTORS / MAYORS
METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATIONS / TOWNSHIP HIGHWAY
COMMISSIONERS, CONSULTING ENGINEERS

On June 10th, Governor Pritzker signed HB 4489, creating Public Act 102-1092. This Public Act amends the Grant Accountability and Transparency Act (GATA); and provides that the requirements established under the Act do not apply to awards, including capital appropriated funds, made by the Department of Transportation to units of local government for the purposes of transportation projects utilizing State, federal funds, or both State and federal funds. In addition, the Act shall recognize that federal and federal pass-through awards from the Department of Transportation to units of local government are governed by and must comply with specified federal guidelines (2 CFR 200). The changes made by this Act apply to pending actions as well as actions commenced on or after the effective date of this Act. The Public Act was effective immediately and can be found [here](#).

As such, while the Department adjusts its agreements and policies to reflect this Public Act, we ask for both patience and a brief pause in the submission of Joint Agreements that include state and / or federal funds, as we adjust the requirements as stated in our agreements and forms, but in particular BLR 05212, BLR 05310C, BLR 05310PE, BLR 05311 and BLR 05530.

Further guidance will be forthcoming shortly, and we thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'G. Tapas'.

George A. Tapas, P.E., S.E.
Engineer of Local Roads and Streets

cc: Arlene Kocher, Federal Highways Administration
Rick Johnson, Illinois Association of County Engineers
Jerry Crabtree, Township Officials of Illinois
Arnie Vegter, Township Highway Commissioners of Illinois