

La Crosse Area Planning Committee (LAPC) 2025-2026 Carbon Reduction Program (CRP) Application

LAPC, the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the La Crescent, MN – La Crosse, WI urbanized area is soliciting for use of the direct suballocation of Minnesota DOT's CRP funds for the federal fiscal years (FFY) 2025 and 2026. Eligible public government entities must be located on the Minnesota-side of LAPC's <u>Metropolitan</u> <u>Planning Area</u>.

Instructions:

To apply for LAPC's CRP funds made available, please submit a memo document/project narrative with the below information to LAPC staff by **June 14, 2024, at 5:00pm**. To do so, please email Erin Duffer at <u>eduffer@lacrossecounty.org</u> and/or Bob Gollnik at <u>rgollnik@lacrossecounty.org</u>.

Prior to submittal, please review all applicable material, including <u>CRP Eligible Projects</u>, MnDOT's <u>CRP Overview</u>, and <u>Carbon Emissions Tool (CET) Instructions and Tips</u>.

Please include in the memo the following information:

- Applicant's contact information: Name (Your name, title, and municipality), email address, phone number
- Project cost estimates
 - Total estimated project costs
 - Total amount of CRP funds requested (maximum of 80% of the project total, or up to \$16,000/year (2025-2026), whichever is smaller, can be used for the federal grant award)
 - o Total amount and source of local funds committed to the project
 - If applicable, total amount and source of additional federal funds obligated to the project already
- Overview of the proposed project (include the project category in the description)
- Project timeline and milestones (be sure to describe how the project can be competed in the requisite timeframe as defied in the project solicitation)
- Carbon Cost-Effectiveness: Using the <u>Carbon Emissions Tool (CET)</u> and associated <u>CET Instructions and Tips</u>, provide screenshots of the Tool's results and list the value for cost effectiveness in the units of Dollars/Metric Ton CO₂e reduced
- Briefly describe any of the project's Co-benefits: Equity, Safety, Access, and Health

Questions:

If you have any questions about the Carbon Reduction Program and/or the solicitation, please contact the Carbon Reduction Program Coordinator, Anna Pierce at 651-366-3793 or <u>anna.m.pierce@state.mn.us</u>. Specific local questions can be directed to Erin Duffer, Transportation Planner at LAPC, 608-785-5597 or <u>eduffer@lacrossecounty.org</u>.

Review:

LAPC staff will conduct an initial review of the applications and coordinate with the applicants on completeness. Then, LAPC's <u>Technical Advisory Committee</u> will review at their July 10, 2024, 2:30pm meeting with a motion of recommendation. LAPC's <u>Policy Board</u> will make final approval at their July 17, 2024, 4:30pm meeting. Applicants are encouraged, but not required to attend.