

# Five-Year Transportation Improvement Program Adopted

At their June meeting, the Iowa Transportation Commission adopted the Fiscal Year 2010 through Fiscal Year 2014 Iowa Transportation Improvement Program, which sets funding priorities in all modes of transportation. The largest portion of the program is highway funding, which is \$2.1 billion for all five fiscal years.

The highway portion of the program continues to focus in the following four major areas:

1. Maintenance and preservation. The program allocates an average of \$232 million for interstate, noninterstate, bridge, and safety improvements.
2. Continue previously scheduled completion of capac-

ity and economic development projects, such as U.S. 61 Fort Madison bypass, U.S. 30 in Story and Marshall counties, and the U. S. 30 Tama/Toledo bypass.

3. Investment in major interstate capacity and economic development projects. In this program, there is an annual average for the five years of \$91 million for Sioux City, Council Bluffs, and Bettendorf.

4. Adding non-stewardship capacity and economic development projects or phases of projects. In this program, some of the items are U.S. 63 in Black Hawk County (Waterloo), U.S. 30 in Clinton County, U.S. 61 in Louisa County, Iowa

330 in Marshall County and U.S. 20 in Dubuque County.

The Commission recognizes that federal funding from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) has contributed a great deal to this program. In this five-year program, there is close to \$270 million from ARRA. This five-year program also receives \$50 million in state funding from the I-JOBS initiative, which will be used to reduce structurally deficient and functionally obsolete bridges, and another \$10 million for other modes of transportation.