James M. (Mike) DeLoach

Lamb County Judge 100 6th Dr. Lamb County Courthouse. Room 101 Littlefield, Texas 79339



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DATE:

November 30, 2020

TO:

David Barrera/Texas Department of Transportation

FROM:

James M. DeLoach, Lamb County Judge

SUBJECT:

State Surplus Materials

Dear David:

Lamb County formally requests surplus materials to be distributed in accordance with House Bill 1 and Rider 19 during fiscal year 2021. We greatly appreciate your help.

Singerely,

James M. DeLoach,

Lamb County Judge



Texas Department of Transportation

135 Slaton Road Lubbock, TX 79404-5201

November 18, 2020

The Honorable James M. Deloach County Judge, Lamb County Lamb County Courthouse, Rm. 101 Littlefield, Texas 79339

Dear Judge Deloach:

This letter addresses the Fiscal Year 2021 implementation of the County Assistance Program defined under the rules of TAC Title 43, Part 1, Chapter 29, Subchapter A, Rule § 29.3 (43TAC. § 29.3), the Local Government Assistance Program and the new Rider 19 to the appropriation bill, House Bill number 1 (HB1) which passed the 86th Legislative session.

Transportation Code § 201.706 which passed by the Texas Legislature in 1997, requires the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) to assist counties with materials to repair and maintain county roads damaged by the impact of 2060 Weight Tolerance permits. In addition, the legislation requires that a preference should be made for counties with the most Weight Tolerance permits and a maximum usage should be made of State surplus materials.

To administer this program each county is given a specific allocation to be provided by the respective districts. Allocations are determined based on a county's percent of statewide Weight Tolerance permits, the county's percent of the statewide county road vehicle miles and the county's percent of the statewide lane miles of county roads. TxDOT Districts will notify each county of the assistance available to them. Each county desiring material should make a written request to their TxDOT District Coordinator. TxDOT will also set and account for the value of the materials to insure compliance with state law.

During the recent 86th Legislative Session, Rider 19 was also authorized. Rider 19 allows TxDOT to provide expert advice to cities related to roadway maintenance issues. In addition, if <u>after</u> satisfying the County Assistance Program, State surplus materials are still available, this material may be distributed to either cities or counties. Unlike the County Assistance program, the Local Government Assistance program prohibits the purchase of new materials. Only surplus material will be available for distribution under this program.

Requests for material to be distributed in accordance with House Bill 1 and Rider 19 during fiscal year 2021 should be submitted in writing within 45 days of the date of this letter. The written request should be submitted to: Texas Department of Transportation Attn. David Barrera, 135 Slaton Road, Lubbock, TX 79404-5201. Material allocations not requested by Lamb County within the 45 day timeframe will be made available to other counties. The amount allocated to Lamb County for Fiscal Year 2021 is \$20.772.00.

If you have any questions about this year's program please contact Curt Masters, Lamb County Maintenance Supervisor at (806) 385-3661 or Lubbock District Administrator David Barrera, at (806) 748-4483. Upon receiving your written request, a meeting will be set up with Lamb County Officials to discuss material availability and to coordinate the delivery details. We look forward to meeting with you.

Sincerely,

David Barrera

David Barrera. Lubbock District Coordinator

cc: Steve Warren, P.E., District Engineer
Mike Stroope, P.E. Director of Maintenance
Stevan Perez, P.E., Area Engineer
Curt Masters Lamb County Maintenance Supervisor