

Land Use & Climate Change Advisory Committee

Background Paper: Recommendation Statement with Preliminary Cost Information Existing Infrastructure Funding

Recommendation 6a

Support the prioritization of infrastructure funds to areas promoting development and transportation choices supportive of state greenhouse gas emission and dependence on foreign oil reduction objectives. The Lucc recommends that the Office of Financial Management, as part of its efforts to establish state infrastructure funding priorities, include consideration of prioritizing infrastructure funds to communities promoting sustainable development and transportation choices supportive of state greenhouse gas emission and dependence on foreign oil reduction objectives. In this context, the Lucc believes it will be critical to maintain a baseline of infrastructure funding for all communities to ensure their basic services can meet required service levels, as well as ensure such priorities do not establish an inappropriate bias of funds moving to urban versus rural areas. Infrastructure funds for consideration should include those supporting transportation, sewer, drainage, drinking water, and telecommunications infrastructure.

General assessment of state and local resources needed, financial and otherwise, needed to fully implement the idea.

Lucc support of the OFM Infrastructure Committee does not have a cost. Specific financial analysis for recommendations of that committee will be completed by the Department of Revenue or other state agencies. However, consistency with any of the prioritization of funding provisions the committee may be looking at will need to be coordinated to ensure they are consistent with and promote the recommendations of the Land Use and Climate Change Advisory Committee to the greatest extent possible.