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MEMORANDUM

TO: Commission Members

FROM: Cliff Lippard *Cliff*
Interim Executive Director

DATE: 30 August 2016

SUBJECT: Annual Report on Tennessee's Public Infrastructure Needs

The Tennessee General Assembly charged the Commission in 1996 with developing and maintaining an inventory of public infrastructure needs "in order for the state, municipal and county governments of Tennessee to develop goals, strategies, and programs which would

- improve the quality of life of its citizens,
- support livable communities, and
- enhance and encourage the overall economic development of the state."

Each year since this mandate was created for the Commission, we have worked with the state's nine development districts to gather information from state and local officials for an inventory of Tennessee's public infrastructure needs. The information they provide is analyzed by commission staff, and an annual report is prepared for the General Assembly.

The current report is submitted for your approval. It is the fourteenth in the series and presents \$4.5 billion of infrastructure improvements reported in the inventory by state and local officials. This most recent inventory includes projects that need to be in some stage of development during the five-year period July 2014 through June 2019. The report includes statewide information by type of infrastructure and by level of government, as well as information about the condition and needs of our public school facilities. The report also includes information about the availability of funding to meet reported needs and a comparison of county-area needs. County-area information about each type of infrastructure in the inventory, along with relevant legislation, inventory forms, and a glossary of terms, can be found in the appendixes to the report.