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## MTA releases list of township stimulus projects

**Delta Charter Township, Mich.**—The Michigan Townships Association (MTA) today released a list of approximately 500 township projects that have been submitted to the governor for consideration of federal economic stimulus funding. MTA has been working with Gov. Jennifer Granholm’s staff to coordinate township projects for possible federal stimulus funding. The list is available by clicking on the following link:

[http://www.michigantownships.org/downloads/stimulus\\_projects\\_in\\_michigan\\_1.xls](http://www.michigantownships.org/downloads/stimulus_projects_in_michigan_1.xls)

“Now that the federal stimulus package has passed the U.S. House and Senate and will be signed by President Obama, the Michigan Townships Association is optimistic that the process can begin to prioritize projects that will receive federal stimulus monies and to help put Michigan back to work again,” said MTA Executive Director Larry Merrill.

The township list represents a broad range of projects, including numerous water and sewer infrastructure projects, projects to bring Internet service to rural communities not currently served, and projects to improve energy efficiency in township facilities.

Townships will also benefit from the stimulus funds designated for road and bridge projects. While townships do not have direct authority over roads and bridges, nearly \$100 million per year is provided by townships to county road commissions for local road and bridge projects. The federal stimulus funding will provide much-needed funding to finance road and bridge projects at the state and local government levels.

MTA is eager to continue working with Gov. Granholm to help stimulate the Michigan economy by creating infrastructure jobs and improving the quality of life for Michigan’s residents.

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*The Michigan Townships Association promotes the interests of 1,242 townships by fostering strong, vibrant communities; advocating legislation to meet 21st century challenges; developing knowledgeable, township officials and enthusiastic supporters of township government; and encouraging ethical practices of elected officials who uphold the traditions and unique characteristics of township government and the values of the people of Michigan.*