

A leader in transportation research for nearly 75 years

Purpose

Established in 1949, the [Iowa Highway Research Board](#) (IHRB) is an advisory board responsible for helping Iowa's cities and counties and the Iowa DOT work together to accomplish shared transportation research and development goals.

As the first organization of its kind in the United States to investigate road construction problems at the local level, IHRB's work over the past 75 years has helped to make Iowa a leader in the discovery of innovative transportation-related solutions.

The IHRB is serious about the future of transportation. With the understanding that every research project has the potential to strengthen the infrastructure and save lives, time, and precious resources, the members of the board work hard to make sure new methods, technologies, and materials are developed efficiently and economically for application in the real world.



Structure

The IHRB represents a variety of stakeholders through its 15 regular members:

- Seven Iowa county engineers.
- Four Iowa DOT engineers.
- Two university department chairs.
- Two engineers employed by Iowa municipalities.

The group oversees approximately 20 research projects each year, and has overseen nearly 800 projects since the IHRB was established.

Funding

Funds for IHRB projects come from the Iowa DOT and Iowa's cities and counties. The IHRB reviews proposals and authorizes funds on an individual project basis.

The IHRB also serves as the State Transportation Innovation Council for Iowa and has managed federal funds for innovation projects across the state since 2015.



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FY2021 At-A-Glance

July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021

Improving lives through innovative transportation research

9 Projects initiated

52 Active projects

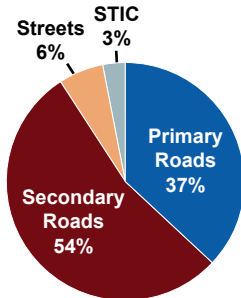
15 Projects completed

Who We Are

The [Iowa Highway Research Board](#) (IHRB) advances transportation research and development across the state by matching value-driven projects with funds contributed by the Iowa DOT and Iowa's cities and counties.

Project expenditures may be charged to Iowa's Primary Road Research Fund, Secondary Road Research Fund, the Street Research Fund, the federal State Transportation Innovation Councils (STIC) fund, or a combination of these.

FY2021 Research Project Expenditures

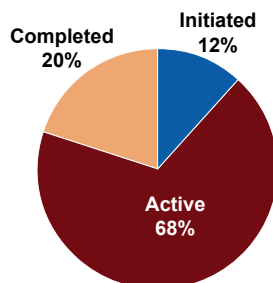


Primary Road Research Fund	\$1,180,988
Secondary Road Research Fund	\$1,745,045
Street Research Fund	\$199,051
STIC Fund	\$100,000
Total	\$3,225,084

Get Involved

Anyone can [submit an idea](#) for IHRB consideration. Comments and suggestions are also welcome during the idea's open feedback state. View the list of [active IHRB projects](#).

Status of FY2021 Projects



Initiated	9
Active	52
Completed	15
Total	76

Quick Links

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