



AGENDA ITEM

Public Works and Utilities

REPORT TO: Work Session (05/26/26)

REPORT TO: Voting Meeting (05/28/26)

ITEM NO: 287/2026

SUBJECT: Approve the application and award of the U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Railroad Administration Railroad Crossing Elimination (Crossing Safety Program) to provide funds for project design and construction phase for the Navajo Circle Railroad Crossing Elimination project, in the amount of \$15,783,543.15. If awarded, appoint the Grants Manager as the Program Designee and authorize the Chairman to execute all related application and award documents. A match of 20% (\$3,156,708.63) is required.

Meetings:

Work Session Date: 05/26/26

Voting Meeting Date: 05/28/26

Executive Summary:

Presenter: JW

Recommendation:

Approval to apply for the Railroad Crossing Elimination Program in the amount of \$15,783,543.15 for the Navajo Circle Railroad Crossing Elimination project.

Purpose of Request:

Approve the application and award of the U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Railroad Administration Railroad Crossing Elimination (Crossing Safety Program) to provide funds for project design and construction phase for the Navajo Circle Railroad Crossing Elimination project, in the amount of \$15,783,543.15. If awarded, appoint the Grants Manager as the Program Designee and authorize the Chairman to execute all related application and award documents. A match of 20% (\$3,156,708.63) is required.

History:

Hall Co. was awarded \$319,360.00 from Federal Railroad Administration Railroad Crossing Elimination for project planning related to the Navajo Circle Railroad Crossing Elimination project. The planning and concept phase is currently under contract and progressing with Volkert, Inc.

Facts and Issues:

Options:

Federal Railroad Administration Railroad Crossing Elimination:
Planning Award - June 2025

Federal grant funding request in the amount of \$15,783,543.15 with a match of \$3,156,708.63 (20%) for preliminary engineering, right-of-way, and construction.

Voklert, Inc. is currently under contract to provide professional services through construction.

Application deadline June 8, 2026.

Funding Requested	\$ 3,156,708.63
Are funds within current budget?	Yes
Source of Funds	Capital Projects Fund and SPLOST
Does the action involve a Resolution, Ordinance, Contract, Agreement, etc.?	No
Has it been reviewed by the County Attorney?	Yes
Is there a deadline for this item?	2026-05-28

Approvals:

Submit	Approve	Grants	Budget
JW	JG	PS	JM
Finance	Attorney	Administration	Clerk
TS	JL	CR	JR

Attachments:

Financial Supplement
Concept Plan
Notice of Funding Opportunity



**HALL COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
FINANCIAL SUPPLEMENT REPORT**

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Funds Requested: \$ 3,156,708.63

Request Budgeted: Yes

Proposed Source of Funding:

Budget Transfer Requested:

Capital Projects Fund and SPLOST

No

Funding Source Items:

Fiscal Year	Fund	Division	Account	Amount
2027	250-MULTIPLE GRANT FUND	4971-ENGINEERING	331110-FEDERALâ€OPERATING DIRECT	\$-2,630,590.52
2027	250-MULTIPLE GRANT FUND	4971-ENGINEERING	541400-INFRASTRUCTURE	\$2,630,590.52
2027	350-CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	4971-ENGINEERING	541400-INFRASTRUCTURE	\$263,059.05
2027	324-SPLOST VIII	4971-ENGINEERING	541400-INFRASTRUCTURE	\$263,059.05
2028	250-MULTIPLE GRANT FUND	4971-ENGINEERING	331110-FEDERALâ€OPERATING DIRECT	\$-2,630,590.52
2028	250-MULTIPLE GRANT FUND	4971-ENGINEERING	541400-INFRASTRUCTURE	\$2,630,590.52
2028	350-CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	4971-ENGINEERING	541400-INFRASTRUCTURE	\$263,059.05
2028	324-SPLOST VIII	4971-ENGINEERING	541400-INFRASTRUCTURE	\$263,059.05
2029	250-MULTIPLE GRANT FUND	4971-ENGINEERING	331110-FEDERALâ€OPERATING DIRECT	\$-2,630,590.52
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2030	250-MULTIPLE GRANT FUND	4971-ENGINEERING	331110-FEDERALâ€OPERATING DIRECT	\$-2,630,590.52
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2030	324-SPLOST VIII	4971-ENGINEERING	541400-INFRASTRUCTURE	\$263,059.05
2031	250-MULTIPLE GRANT FUND	4971-ENGINEERING	331110-FEDERALâ€OPERATING DIRECT	\$-2,630,590.52
2031	250-MULTIPLE GRANT FUND	4971-ENGINEERING	541400-INFRASTRUCTURE	\$2,630,590.52
2031	350-CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	4971-ENGINEERING	541400-INFRASTRUCTURE	\$263,059.05
2031	324-SPLOST VIII	4971-ENGINEERING	541400-INFRASTRUCTURE	\$263,059.05
2032	250-MULTIPLE GRANT FUND	4971-ENGINEERING	331110-FEDERALâ€OPERATING DIRECT	\$-2,630,590.55
2032	250-MULTIPLE GRANT FUND	4971-ENGINEERING	541400-INFRASTRUCTURE	\$2,630,590.55
2032	350-CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	4971-ENGINEERING	541400-INFRASTRUCTURE	\$263,059.05
2032	324-SPLOST VIII	4971-ENGINEERING	541400-INFRASTRUCTURE	\$263,059.08

Budget Transfer Items:

Additional Information/Comments:

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