

2022-2023 Title VI Annual Report

Grundy County, Iowa



TITLE VI ANNUAL UPDATE AND ACCOMPLISHMENT REPORT

GRUNDY COUNTY, IOWA

(Name of Recipient)

August 14, 2023

(Report Submission Date)

AUGUST 1, 2022 TO JULY 31, 2023

(Reporting Period)

1. Report any changes in the organizational structure since the last reporting period.
(Example: New Title VI Coordinator, new planning or public works directors, etc).
 - Report should identify the changes in the racial/gender composition of those persons involved in the transportation decision making, including planning and advisory staff.
 - Grundy County Board of Supervisor Chairperson is **Vic Vanderhaar** for 2023.

Grundy County Board of Supervisors appointed Gary Mauer, Grundy County Engineer, as Title VI Coordinator on June 17th, 2013.

2. Using the most current data available (through US Census Bureau), describe the demographics within your jurisdiction.
 - a. Describe any required Title VI activities and/or studies conducted that provided data relative to minority persons, neighborhoods, income levels, physical environment, and travel habits.
 - b. How was the information utilized or Title VI provisions and needs applied in each study or activity?

Population (2020 est.) = 12,087

Persons under 5 Yrs. old = 5.4%

Persons under 19 Yrs. old = 22.7%

Persons 65 Yrs and over = 21.2%

Female persons = 50.5%
White alone = 87.9%
Black or African American alone = 0.6%
Asian alone = 0.4%
Native Hawaiian (& other Pacific Islander) alone = 0.1%
Hispanic or Latino = 1.2%
Persons below poverty level = 5.5%
Total Foreign Born = 1.3%
Challenged/Disabled = 10.1%

3. List any Public outreach activities during the reporting period such as, public announcements and/or communications for meetings, hearings, project notices. Include the following:
 - a. How were special language needs assessed? List the special language needs assessments conducted. Through IDOT bid letting procedures.
 - b. What outreach efforts did you utilize to ensure that minority, women, low-income, and LEP population groups were provided equal opportunity to participate in those outreach activities. (Examples: provided materials in other languages, met with local social services agencies, advertised in a minority publication). Through IDOT bid letting procedures
 - c. List the special language services provided – note the professional language service provided including the name of the service, date provided, number of persons served, and any other relevant information. None required.
 - d. List any costs incurred for translations and interpreters for each activity. None.

No translators were utilized or needed this reporting period.

4. List all the transportation related contracts (Federal and others) that were executed during the reporting period. (Please include construction, consultant agreements for planning, design, engineering, environmental, research, maintenance, etc.)
 - Include dollar value of each. See Below
 - Other than advertising in your local legal publication, what outreach was made to DMWBE firms that a contracting opportunity existed within your agency? **Per IDOT Bid Letting Procedures.**
 - Identify the DMWBE contracts that were awarded and their dollar amount.
 - Is there a Title VI Non-Discrimination statement included in all contracts and public notices? **Included in IDOT Bid Letting Procedures.**
 - How did your organization ensure that minority, women, and disadvantaged firms were provided equal opportunity to participate in the contracting arena? **Included in IDOT Bid Letting Procedures.**

Bridge B-21 or BROS--SWAP-CO38(125)—SE-38 was publicly let on December 21, 2021 and awarded to low bidder PCI of Reinbeck, Iowa in the amount of \$507,684.25. The Iowa Department of Transportation administered all pre-bid documents and contracts in accordance federal rules and requirements. This project started on July 26, 2022 and completed on November 14, 2022.

Safety Improvement Project No. HSIP-SWAP-CO38(127)—FJ-38 was publicly let on May 17, 2022 and awarded to low bidder Iowa Plains Signing, Inc. Slater, Iowa in the amount of \$47,822.00. This project will utilize federal safety funds to add safety features such as solar flashing Stop Signs and rumble strip panels at two intersections – County Roads T55/D35 and County Road D17/State Hwy 14. The project had a late start date of October 10, 2022 and was completed on October 20, 2022.

5. Summarize any transportation projects that identify potential impacts to minority and/or low-income Environmental Justice (EJ) populations (i.e., impacts such as displacements, increased noise, bisecting neighborhoods, et al). Note the following: **None**.
 - How impacts were minimized/mitigated.
 - Also include a statement, if applicable, on projects that specifically benefit community cohesion such as: adding sidewalks, improving access to properties that improve access for EJ populations.

No impacts to minority and/or low-income EJ populations.

6. If Right of Way has been acquired for a transportation project, please describe:
 - Identify the number of minorities, low-income, elderly and disabled persons affected. **None**.
 - The efforts that were made to address Limited English Proficiency issues (including use and cost of translators, outreach efforts for each reported activity).
 - Describe any concerns raised by minorities and women regarding appraisals, negotiations, relocation assistance, and payments. What actions were taken to resolve those issues?

No Federal Aid was utilized to fund Right of Way acquisition.

7. List and describe any Title VI related complaints, as a result of transportation activities and projects. Include:
 - What was the allegation or concern?
 - Procedures used
 - Action taken
 - Resolution

No Title VI complaints were filed.

The Board of Supervisors approved Resolution Number 24-2022/2023 to adopt Title VI Plan, Title VI Non-Discrimination Agreement

Respectfully submitted by, 
Gary Mauer, Title VI Coordinator

8-14-23
Date

RESOLUTION #24-2022/2023

WHEREAS, Grundy County desires to adopt the Title VI Plan and Title VI Nondiscrimination Agreement with Iowa Department of Transportation, and

WHEREAS, the Title VI Plan is covered under Civil Rights Act of 1964, and

WHEREAS, the Grundy County Engineer, Gary Mauer, is appointed as Grundy County Title VI Coordinator for Grundy County.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of Grundy County approves and adopts the Grundy County Title VI Plan and approves the Title VI Nondiscrimination Agreement with Iowa Department of Transportation.

Adopted and approved on January 3, 2023.



Chairperson
Grundy County Board of Supervisors

Attest:

By: 

Rhonda R. Deters
Grundy County Auditor

Date: January 3, 2023

