

Staff Report

Subject: 2026 LMIG Grant Application

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Department: Procurement, Engineering

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Item Description: Consideration to approve the submission of the 2026 Local Maintenance and Improvement Grant (LMIG) application to the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT).

Summary Recommendation: Staff recommends approval of the required LMIG 2026 grant documents to allow for execution and application submission to GDOT.

Executive Summary / Background:

Effingham County is seeking approval to submit its 2026 LMIG application to the Georgia Department of Transportation for the resurfacing of approximately 8.3 miles of public roads throughout the county. The scope of work includes milling, leveling, and resurfacing the following roads:

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| • Elm Street | • S Woodland Dr | • Meadowlands Drive |
| • Shady Oaks Road | • Bunyan Kessler Road | • Del Mar Court |
| • Wrights Drive | • Highland Drive | • Santa Anita Way |
| • Shearouse Road | • Standard Lane | • McLaws Road |
| • Briarwood Road | • Dogwood Way | • Coldbrook Court |
| • Twin Oak Drive | • Oak Law Drive | • Berryville Road |
| • Twin Oak Circle | | |
| • Briarwood Ct | | |

The Georgia Department of Transportation's LMIG program provides funding assistance to local governments for the maintenance and improvement of public roads. Effingham County has prepared the 2026 LMIG grant application materials for GDOT review, which include:

letter

- Local Government Affidavit and Certification Form
- Compliance Certification Form

These documents require official Board approval prior to submission. If approved, the Chairman will sign the documents and the County Clerk will apply the official seal, as required by GDOT.

Effingham County (Unincorporated) is required to provide a **30% local match** for its 2026 LMIG grant request.

- **LMIG Formula Amount (2026):** \$1,315,879.38
- **Local Match (30%):** \$394,763.81
- **Total Estimated Project Budget:** \$1,710,643.19

Alternatives for Commission to Consider:

1. Approve the LMIG 2026 application forms for signature and County seal.
2. Do not approve the forms and advise.

Recommended Alternative: 1

Other Alternatives: 2

Department Review: Procurement, Engineering

Funding Source: 30% Match will use TSPLOST Funds.

Attachments: Cover Letter, LMIG application pages