

## Red Tape Review Rule Report (Due: September 1, 2024)

<b>Department Name:</b>	Transportation	<b>Date:</b>	7-16-24	<b>Total Rule Count:</b>	5
<b>IAC #:</b>	761	<b>Chapter/ SubChapter/ Rule(s):</b>	162	<b>Iowa Code Section Authorizing Rule:</b>	8.41(3)
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**What is the intended benefit of the rule?**

The federal Surface Transportation Block Grant Program provides transportation infrastructure funding to the state of Iowa. These funds are used by the state, cities and counties for roadway, bridge, transit and bicycle and pedestrian projects throughout the state that benefit the citizens of Iowa.

**Is the benefit being achieved? Please provide evidence.**

Yes, these funds are fully utilized each year on transportation improvements throughout the state and are an integral piece of the funding needed to maintain and improve the transportation system of Iowa.

**What are the costs incurred by the public to comply with the rule?**

The costs incurred by the public for the compliance of these rules are those associated with federal requirements for usage of federal-aid funds.

**What are the costs to the agency or any other agency to implement/enforce the rule?**

The costs to the Department and recipients of the Surface Transportation Block Grant funding are those costs associated with adherence to federal-aid funding requirements.

**Do the costs justify the benefits achieved? Please explain.**

Yes, approximately \$100 million is invested in the Iowa transportation system each year by complying with this chapter.

**Are there less restrictive alternatives to accomplish the benefit?  YES  NO**

**If YES, please list alternative(s) and provide analysis of less restrictive alternatives from other states, if applicable. If NO, please explain.**

Federal block grant programs are included in Iowa Code section 8.41. This Iowa Code section could be amended to include this rule language and would eliminate the need for these rules.

**Does this chapter/rule(s) contain language that is obsolete, outdated, inconsistent, redundant, or unnecessary language, including instances where rule language is duplicative of statutory language? [list chapter/rule number(s) that fall under any of the above categories]**

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Language within 162.5 referring to 761—Chapter 161 is obsolete because the Department is proposing to permanently rescind Chapter 161, Highway Bridge Program for Cities and Counties. Instead, a reference to the Department’s Instructional Memorandum 1.100 will be included in the proposed repromulgated Chapter 162.

**RULES PROPOSED FOR REPEAL (list rule number[s]):**

162.2 (combined with 162.1)

**RULES PROPOSED FOR RE-PROMULGATION (list rule number[s] or include rule text if available):**

- 162.1 Purpose and information
- 162.2 Source of funds
- 162.3 Swapping of funds
- 162.4 Administration of funds

***\*For rules being re-promulgated with changes, you may attach a document with suggested changes.***

**METRICS**

<b>Total number of rules repealed:</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Proposed word count reduction after repeal and/or re-promulgation</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>Proposed number of restrictive terms eliminated after repeal and/or re-promulgation</b>	<b>6</b>

**ARE THERE ANY STATUTORY CHANGES YOU WOULD RECOMMEND INCLUDING CODIFYING ANY RULES?**

Elimination of the rulemaking requirement included in Iowa Code section 8.41 would no longer make Chapter 162 necessary.