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Rep. Loudenbeck: Statement on transportation budget

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MADISON, WI. –Rep. Amy Loudenbeck (R-Clinton) released the following statement following the Joint Committee on Finance action regarding the state transportation budget.

“As a strong advocate for the I-39/90 expansion project, I’m thankful my legislative colleagues and Governor Walker recognize the timely completion of the I-39/90 corridor from the Stateline to Madison is a top priority. The dedicated funding to the majors highway program will help keep this project moving forward and on time.

“I’m pleased that local governments will be seeing an increase in general transportation aid, as well as an increase to the local bridge replacement program. These programs provide critical assistance in funding the maintenance, repair and replacement to our local infrastructure.

“Today we took steps to help the transportation fund by reducing the amount of bonding, and increasing revenue slightly with a hybrid/electronic vehicle fee. I strongly believe Wisconsin must formulate an adequate, sustainable, and equitable transportation funding system in order to ensure we are meeting all of our infrastructure obligations. I remain committed to working with stakeholders on a long-term funding solution.”