RESOLUTION NO. 25-88

BONNER COUNTY FY2026 Federal Aid Bridge Grant Application

WHEREAS, the Bonner County Commissioners desire to repair and replace deficient bridges, and;

WHEREAS, the Whiskey Jack Bridge over the Boyer Slough is in need of replacement, and;

WHEREAS, the Local Highway Technical Assistance Council (LHTAC) offers a grant program to seek federal aid funding for bridge repair and replacement projects, and;

WHEREAS, the Bonner County Road & Bridge Department has prepared a grant application to submit this bridge repair project for consideration,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of County Commissioners of Bonner County, Idaho, that the grant submittal for this project be approved and submitted to LHTAC for consideration, which will require the typical 7.34% match from Bonner County plus likely some additional funding from Bonner County to cover construction costs beyond \$3M if awarded, exact amounts to be determined in a future year before beginning the construction phase.

The foregoing was duly enacted as a Resolution of the Board of County Commissioners of Bonner County, Idaho, on the Object Day of December, 2025.

BOARD OF BONNER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Brian Domke, Chairman

Asia Williams, Commissioner

Ron Korn, Commissioner

ATTEST: Michael Rosedale

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December 9, 2025

To: Bonner County Commissioners

From: Matt Mulder, PE

Road and Bridge Staff Engineer

Re: Federal Aid Bridge Grant - FY2026 Application & Resolution

ROAD & BRIDGE Item #1

With the Board's approval, the Road & Bridge Department would like to pursue a grant application for the *Local Federal Aid Incentive Program: Bridge FY2026 Application*. The application requests \$3.8M towards a \$4.8M project to replace the Whiskey Jack Rd Bridge over the Boyer Slough. The grant application, which is still being assembled at this time, requires a resolution passed by the Board, which is attached.

This bridge is a timber bridge constructed in 1969 and is deteriorating, and already functionally obsolete for the amount of traffic in this growing area. It is the sole access point to the Whiskey Jack community which makes the project far more expensive to construct as access must be preserved across the slough during construction. The grant program this year is offering double points for timber bridge applications, so this bridge will likely score quite well in the grant rankings.

If awarded, the project would be added into the Idaho Transportation Investment Program (ITIP) and would wait until the program assigned it a funding year, likely between FY2030 and FY2035. A 7.34% match will be required on the portions covered by the grant funding, but that funding is limited to \$3M for construction funding (not including design costs). Bonner County will likely need to cover some construction costs beyond that \$3M amount; we anticipate needing to contribute an additional \$1.0 to \$1.5M to move the project forward at the construction phase if successful in our application.

Legal Review: N/A – No contractual obligations Risk Review: N/A – No activities or acquisitions Accounting Review: N/A – No costs at this time.

A suggested motion would be: I move the Board of Bonner County Commissioners approve Resolution, number to be assigned in support of the Local Federal Aid Incentive Program: Bridge FY2026 Application for the amount of \$3,842,000 and authorize the Chairman to sign the application administratively.

Recommendation Acceptance: yes on o

Commissioner Brian Domke, Chairman