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Murphy Administration announces \$47.3 million in FY2021 Local Bridge Fund grants Each county to receive \$1 million plus additional funds based on deck area

(Trenton) – The New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) today announced 39 Local Bridge Fund grants totaling \$47.3 million to help counties maintain local bridges in a state of good repair.

"The Murphy Administration is committed to improving the quality of life in New Jersey, and the Local Bridge Fund program does that as part of NJDOT's Commitment to Communities," NJDOT Commissioner Diane Gutierrez-Scaccetti said. "By providing grants to improve county-owned bridges throughout the state, we are helping local governments make critical infrastructure investments that improve the reliability of our statewide transportation network without having to impact local property taxes."

The Local Bridge Fund is a \$47.3 million program funded through the Transportation Trust Fund (TTF). The program provides funding for each of New Jersey's 21 counties for the improvement of county bridges. The grants focus on the repair, reconstruction and replacement of bridges with the greatest structural deficiencies. <u>Click here</u> for a full list of county allotments and project awards.

The grants are administered by the NJDOT Division of Local Aid and Economic Development and evaluated by the Department's Bureau of Structural Engineering. Each year, Local Aid grants represent a significant portion of the Department of Transportation's Local System Support, which also includes Municipal Aid, local lead projects, regional planning and project development, and transportation alternatives projects.

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