



State of Wisconsin  
2025 - 2026 LEGISLATURE

LRB-1995/P1

EVM:amn

DOA:.....Aslesen, BB0552 - Agricultural roads improvement program grant award and expenditure time limits

**FOR 2025-2027 BUDGET -- NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION**

**AN ACT ...; relating to:** the budget.

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*Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau*

**TRANSPORTATION**

**HIGHWAYS AND LOCAL ASSISTANCE**

***Agricultural roads improvement program time limits***

Under current law, DOT administers an agricultural roads improvement program (ARIP) under which DOT provides grants to political subdivisions for projects to improve certain highway facilities that facilitate access to agricultural lands. Currently, all grants under ARIP must be awarded by June 23, 2026, and only costs incurred by June 23, 2028, may be reimbursed. These dates represent three years and five years, respectively, from the effective date of the bill creating ARIP.

This bill provides that any grants made from moneys appropriated in the 2025-27 fiscal biennium must be awarded by three years from the effective date of this bill and only costs incurred by five years from the effective date of this bill may be reimbursed.

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***The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:***

**SECTION 1.** 86.31 (3o) (m) 1. of the statutes is renumbered 86.31 (3o) (m) 1m.

a. and amended to read:

86.31 (3o) (m) 1m. a. ~~After June 23, 2026, the~~ The department may not award a grant under this subsection from moneys appropriated in the 2023-25 fiscal biennium after June 23, 2026.

**SECTION 2.** 86.31 (3o) (m) 2. of the statutes is renumbered 86.31 (3o) (m) 1m.

b. and amended to read:

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86.31 (3o) (m) 1m. b. ~~After June 23, 2028, the~~ The department may not reimburse any costs incurred under this subsection after June 23, 2028, with moneys appropriated in the 2023-25 fiscal biennium.

**SECTION 3.** 86.31 (3o) (m) 2m. of the statutes is created to read:

86.31 (3o) (m) 2m. a. The department may not award a grant under this subsection from moneys appropriated in the 2025-27 fiscal biennium after 3 years after the effective date of this subd. 2m. a. .... [LRB inserts date].

b. The department may not reimburse any costs incurred under this subsection after 5 years after the effective date of this subd. 2m. b. .... [LRB inserts date] with moneys appropriated in the 2025-27 fiscal biennium.

**SECTION 4.** 86.31 (3o) (n) of the statutes is amended to read:

86.31 (3o) (n) Except as provided in pars. (k) and (m) ~~2-~~, this subsection does not apply after ~~June 23, 2028~~ 5 years after the effective date of this paragraph .... [LRB inserts date].

(END)