

**Written Testimony of Linda Bailiff, Director
Ohio Public Works Commission**

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Hello, Chair Gavarone and Committee members. I am Linda Bailiff, Director of the Ohio Public Works Commission, and appreciate the opportunity to provide written testimony.

Whereas the recently passed Transportation Budget Bill, H.B. 74, contains operating for just the Local Transportation Improvement Program (LTIP), the Operating Budget Bill, H.B. 110 contains the operating and debt service lines items for our other two programs: the State Capital Improvement Program (SCIP) and the Clean Ohio Green Space Conservation Program. Our total operating costs - administrative, maintenance, and equipment - are shared between our various programs with 60% SCIP, 20% LTIP, and 20% Clean Ohio. Our request is a continuation budget and based on the retention of our existing nine staff. We've aligned our request to reflect the administrative effort necessary to manage all of our programs which is less than one-half percent of our total program funds. It is important to note our entire project portfolio of more than 1,800 active infrastructure and Clean Ohio projects and more than 3,000 active loans.

The remaining item, OPWC's share of the State's debt service for our bond programs, the State Capital Improvement Program and Clean Ohio Green Space Conservation Program, is determined by the Office of Budget & Management.

Should there be any questions, we have provided contact information below.

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