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City of Cameron Awarded Work Zone Sign Package to Improve Highway and Worker Safety

Cameron, W.Va., November 20, 2020 — The City of Cameron applied for and was awarded a Work Zone Sign Package valued at \$2700 by the West Virginia Local Technical Assistance Program (WV LTAP). Cameron is one of five municipalities awarded this package, which will be used to improve work zone safety during road maintenance, utility operations, and incident management.

The City of Cameron was selected because of its demonstrated need of work zone traffic control devices and commitment to work zone safety. Cameron City Clerk Nicole Bryan knows how important this equipment is for their public works crews. "We are so appreciative and humbled being chosen as one of the winners." The Work Zone Sign Package Program is one of the many services offered by the WV LTAP to improve roadway safety across the state.

Each package includes ten portable work zone signs, six sign stands, four barricades, four drums with reflective tape, 16 cones, two reflective "Stop/Slow" paddles, four Class III full-coverage safety vests, and two whistles with lanyards. In addition to the package, each municipality receives a free, work zone safety training course taught by the WV LTAP.

The WV LTAP knows how tight budgets are for many municipalities, especially now. "The five work zone sign packages that the WV LTAP awarded this year are especially important to West Virginia municipalities as their budgets have been negatively impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. Both the devices and the training that goes along with the packages will enhance safety for motorists and workers and facilitate traffic flow in these communities," says WV LTAP director, Ron Eck.

The goal of this program is to help West Virginia municipalities make their work zones safer for motorists and roadway workers. Including this year's group of recipients, the WV LTAP has awarded 96 sign packages to state municipalities since the program began in 1996.

The WV LTAP, housed at West Virginia University in Morgantown, WV, is funded by the Federal Highway Administration and the West Virginia Department of Transportation. The WV LTAP serves the state by providing training, demonstrations, personalized technical assistance, resource materials, and other services to individuals and agencies responsible for managing and maintaining West Virginia's roadways.

To obtain additional information on the Center's services, contact Kim Carr at (304) 293-9924, or to speak directly with the City's representative, contact Holly West at 304-659-2377.

City of Cameron public works employees traveled to Charleston, WV to pick up the work zone sign package that was award to the city. Tim Reynolds is show on the left and Logan Kent on the right.

