

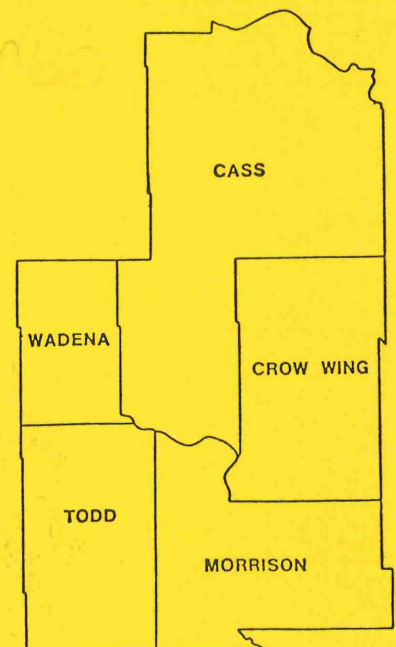
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CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

July 1, 1984

It has been my pleasure to serve as Chairman of the Region 5 Regional Development Commission for almost three years. During these years I have seen this agency continue to develop and maintain useful and viable programs that meet local and regional needs. This is due in large part to the strong and committed leadership of the local elected officials that serve on the Commission. The entire membership of the Commission as well as the Board, Advisory Committees, and staff are listed in the following section. This report covers the period of July 1, 1983 through June 30, 1984. It summarizes the programs and assistance provided by Region 5.

Once again Region 5 is pleased to report the receipt of several Small Cities Development Block Grants by local communities:

Browerville Redevelopment Project	\$1,315,992
Long Prairie Community Water System	600,000
Cass County Housing Authority	600,000
Remer Community Development	1,044,000
Total	<u>\$3,559,992</u>

A total of 35 grants were made (out of 135 applications) in the state for a total of \$18,079,447. Grants in Region 5 represent 20% of the total awarded. Region 5 staff wrote the Browerville and Long Prairie applications and provided limited assistance on the remaining two. In addition Region 5 staff wrote a successful Small Cities Economic Grant for Staples which was funded in May at \$250,000.

We are proud of the contributions we have made in the past year and will continue to place the needs of local communities as top priority in the coming year.

Sincerely,

Eugene Lindquist
Eugene Lindquist
Chairman

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MEMBERSHIP

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City of Brainerd

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Regional Representative

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Arts

Virginia MacArthur, Arts Program Coordinator

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Ed Ranson, Developmental Disabilities Coordinator

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Kristine Michaelson, Crosby	Literature	Crow Wing County
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Kent Scheer, Wadena	Visual Arts	Wadena County

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Tom Schulz, Sebeka	Finance	Wadena County

Developmental Disabilities Advisory Committee

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Jeanette Ruff, Brainerd	Consumer	Crow Wing County
Helen Juetten, Little Falls	Consumer	Morrison County
Betty Kramer, Pierz	Christus House	Morrison County
Mary Rae Freeberg, Little Falls	Governor's Council	Morrison County
Monica Kirby, Long Prairie	Consumer	Todd County
Hartmut vonJeetze	Camphill Village	Todd County
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Mary Ellen Kollodge, Wadena	Consumer	Wadena County
Roberta Wells, Wadena	Consumer	Wadena County

Transportation Advisory Committee

Jim Worcester, Walker	Co. Hwy. Engineer	Cass County
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Ron Schweninger, Brainerd	Brainerd Engineer	Crow Wing County
Elmer Beto, Little Falls	Asst. Hwy. Engineer	Morrison County
Tom Mares, Little Falls	Asst. Engineer	Morrison County
Duane Lorsung, Long Prairie	Co. Hwy. Engineer	Todd County
Gordon Berg, Chairman, Staples	Region 5 RDC	Wadena County
Gene Mattern, Wadena	Co. Hwy. Engineer	Wadena County
Don Hubert, Brainerd	Planning Coordinator	MN/DOT

PROGRAM REPORTS

DIRECTORY OF SERVICES

Region 5 receives funding from various federal and state agencies to operate specific programs. This section explains each program purpose, assistance provided, grants awarded and other pertinent information. The overall purpose is to offer efficient delivery of services which cross county lines or which local units of government could otherwise not afford.

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AREA AGENCY ON AGING

The Minnesota Board on Aging has designated the Region 5 Regional Development Commission as the Region 5 Area Agency on Aging. The planning and service area for the Area Agency on Aging includes the counties of Cass, Crow Wing, Morrison, Todd and Wadena.

According to the Older Americans Act of 1965, as amended, the overall purpose of the Area Agency on Aging is to plan for and coordinate the development of needed services for older persons. To guide the activities of the Region 5 Area Agency on Aging during 1984, 1985 and 1986, a three-year Area Plan on Aging was developed. Based on this plan, Table 1 shows the services which are projected for 1984 within Region 5.

TABLE 1
PROJECTED SERVICES PROVIDED IN 1984

SERVICE	NO. OF UNDUPLICATED PARTICIPANTS	NO. OF UNITS	UNIT COST
Congregate Meals	3,766	183,750 Meals	3.69
Home Delivered Meals	815	58,500 Meals	3.69- 4.32
SUB-TOTAL	4,581	242,250 Meals	N/A
Homemaker	140	6,592 Client Service Hours	5.56- 9.75
Home Health Aide	238	16,992 Client Service Hours	7.55- 9.78
Respite	20	3,994 Client Service Hours	3.42
Telephone Reassurance	50	12,600 Client Service Hours	.17
Adult Day Care	20	6,162 Client Service Hours	1.54- 1.79
Service Coordination	230	6,533 Staff Hours	8.70-11.27
SUB-TOTAL	698	52,873 Units of Service	N/A
Ombudsman	22	1,785 Staff Hours	5.50
Legal Education	1,160	3,320 Session Hours	.67- 5.00
Legal Services	305	1,500 Case Hours	30.93-46.00
Organizational Advocacy	825	7,000 Volunteer Hours	1.09
SUB-TOTAL	2,312	13,605 Units of Service	N/A
Senior Centers	N/A	16 Sites Received Grants	N/A
SUB-TOTAL	N/A	N/A	N/A
TOTAL	7,591	308,728 Units of Service	N/A

To assist the Area Agency on Aging, the Region 5 Advisory Committee on Aging recommends action on grant applications, plans and other activities. The Region 5 Regional Development Commission takes final action on all grant awards and major activities.

During calendar year 1984, approximately \$520,000 was awarded for the provision of 183,750 congregate meals and 58,500 home delivered meals. In addition, approximately \$188,000 was awarded to provide a wide variety of supportive services, such as home health aide, adult day care, legal education, and respite care. An amount of \$33,689 was also awarded for the development of senior centers; this money was allocated to the Region 5 Area Agency on Aging by the McKnight Foundation.

In summary, the counties of Region 5 contributed \$144,298 toward these programs, and older persons themselves donated over \$315,000 in cash to help defray the overall costs of these services. A listing of funding information for Region 5 during 1984 is located in Table 2.

TABLE 2
FUNDS DISTRIBUTED IN 1984

SERVICE	FEDERAL FUNDS	STATE FUNDS	COUNTY FUNDS/ IN-KIND	FOUNDATION FUNDS	PRIVATE FUNDS/ IN-KIND
Congregate Meals	\$347,288	\$69,550	-	-	\$275,625
Home Delivered Meals	103,016	-	\$ 4,787	-	103,476
SUB-TOTAL	450,304	69,550	4,787		379,101
Homemaker	26,919	-	26,919	-	-
Home Health Aide	71,194	-	71,194	-	-
Respite	7,782	-	5,188	-	700
Telephone Reassurance	1,680	-	-	-	420
Adult Day Care	7,845	-	-	-	2,462
Services Coordination	34,148	-	34,148	-	-
SUB-TOTAL	149,568	-	137,449	-	3,582
Ombudsman	7,335	-	-	-	2,480
Legal Education	1,350	-	-	-	2,150
Legal Services	26,630	-	-	-	25,890
Organization Advocacy	3,093	-	2,062	-	2,476
SUB-TOTAL	38,408	-	2,062	-	32,996
Senior Centers	-	-	-	33,689	11,230
SUB-TOTAL	-	-	-	33,689	11,230
TOTAL	\$638,280	\$69,550	\$144,298	\$33,689	\$426,909

Several important projects and activities were either initiated or completed during the year. The second Annual Conference on Aging was held in Brainerd, focusing on chemical health and how this relates to older persons; the Region 5 Area Agency on Aging is continuing its efforts to inform older persons about potential chemical abuse. A survey is currently being conducted to determine how many local physicians are assisting older persons in filling out insurance forms; information is also being collected and compiled regarding the acceptability of medicare assignment as full payment for services. A report is also being developed regarding meals services for older persons in Region 5.

ARTS PROGRAM

The Region 5 Arts Program awarded \$3,000 of McKnight Foundation funds for semi-professional arts organizations. Also awarded were \$14,874 of Minnesota State Arts Board grant funds which are for the development of arts activities in the Region. The organizations which received these funds are listed in Tables 1 and 2.

TABLE 1

MCKNIGHT FOUNDATION FUNDS AWARDED

AGENCY	AMOUNT FUNDED
St. Francis Music Center General Operating Costs	\$ 1,000
Brainerd Community College Summer Community Theatre	1,000
Heartland Symphony Orchestra General Operating Costs	1,000
TOTAL	\$ 3,000

The Five Wings Arts Council reviews all applications for both state and private foundation funds, then recommends to the Commission those projects which it feels should be funded and at what level of funding. The Five Wings Arts Council assists the Region 5 Arts Program staff in the planning and implementation of special programs and workshops designed to improve the capacity of local arts groups.

The Region 5 Arts Program staff provides technical assistance to individuals and groups on such matters as grants writing, availability of funds, resource lists, and other technical help with arts projects. In 1984 the arts program presented workshops in watercolor and oil painting and a workshop in art education methods for elementary teachers.

The Region 5 Arts Program will have approximately \$14,000 of state funds for granting to local arts groups in fiscal year 1985, \$5,000 of McKnight funds and \$9,300 of Blandin Foundation funds.

TABLE 2
MN STATE ARTS BOARD FUNDS

AGENCY	AMOUNT FUNDED
Brainerd Area Arts Alliance Sponsor Band for Paul Bunyan	\$ 250
Cuyuna Range Playhouse Production of Three Plays	900
Paul Bunyan DAC Art Festival for Disabled	1,085
Brainerd Area Arts Alliance Management Workshop	264
St. Francis Music Center General Operating Support	2,000
Long Prairie Public Schools Arts Series and Summer Theatre	1,600
Brainerd Public Schools Concert by Leah Frey	200
Brainerd Area Arts Alliance Arts in the Park	1,000
Eagle Bend Centennial Committee Commission to Artist for Eagle	1,000
Little Falls Community Services Children's Drama Club	800
Visual Arts Information Service Art Paper	500
Northcountrymen (Brainerd) Sponsor the "Roadrunners"	300
Bertha-Hewitt Schools Folk Concert	510
Brainerd Community College Summer Theatre	750
Little Falls Community Services Puppet Production	500
Heartland Symphony Orchestra Concert Season	2,500
Brainerd Art Club Art Exhibit	715
TOTAL	\$14,874

COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES

The Cass-Todd-Wadena-Morrison Community Health Services Board contracts with Region 5 for administrative services to the four-county program. Region 5 provides secretarial services to the Board of Health, Executive Committee, Advisory Committee and Administrative Task Force; compiles the four-county fiscal reports, budget revisions; and provides technical assistance to county public health directors upon request.

The Community Health Services program is funded by the Minnesota Department of Health. Annual plans are submitted to request funds for the following areas:

- Community Nursing Services
- Home Health Services
- Health Education
- Disease Prevention and Control
- Emergency Medical Services
- Environmental Health
- Administration

County priorities and goals are determined through the public meeting process. Individual county health committees meet throughout the year to plan service delivery. The four county Board of Health, Executive Committee, Advisory Committee and Administrative Task Froce also meet to monitor activities and joint projects. In 1984 special projects included the development of a copmputer program for public health agencies, operation of the Cass-Todd Hypertension Program; implementation of the Cass-Morrison Sanitarian program; and receipt of a Maternal Child Health Services grant in Cass County.

Crow Wing County operates a single county Community Health Services program similar to the four-county program.

DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

Developmental Disabilities are handicapping conditions which have an onset before the age of twenty-two, which are life-long in duration and which interfere with normal day-to-day activities and employment. Common disabilities include mental retardation, cerebral palsy, epilepsy, autism and accident or disease related handicaps. It is estimated that about 2.75 percent of the population, or about 4,000 people in Region 5, are developmentally disabled.

Depending on the particular disability, the disabled person can face a confusing array of services. During a lifetime, a typical developmentally disabled person may receive special services from their local school system, county social service and health departments, state departments of health, public welfare and vocational rehabilitation, and from Federal programs such as Social Security and Legal Services. Special programs also exist for particular groups such as the sight and hearing impaired, the non-ambulatory, the mentally retarded and so forth.

With such a variety of services and agencies, it is not unusual for the disabled person or the parent of a disabled person to feel confused about where to start seeking assistance. Similarly, service providers may feel the need to make connections with other providers in order to make referrals and to prevent wasteful duplication of services. It is the role of the Region 5 Developmental Disabilities Advisory Committee and staff to provide information, promote coordination and cooperation, identify gaps and overlaps in services and to offer technical assistance with new problems and to develop new services. The Region 5 Developmental Disabilities Program helps to unify what otherwise can be a rather fragmented system of services.

During 1984, the Region 5 Developmental Disabilities Program concentrated on providing behavior management training to staff at Developmental Achievement Centers. Additionally, the program focused on developing new vocational opportunities for developmentally disabled people living in the community. Other areas of effort included printing of a Products and Service Catalog for regional Development Achievement Centers, publication of a highly successful regional newsletter (DD RESOURCE), proposal development and grant writing, and technical assistance with various problems varying from government regulations to research on census information.

ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

The Region 5 Economic and Community Development program includes the operation of assistance programs to local government and businesses in the areas of community development, economic assistance, technical assistance and planning.

Community Development assistance this past year included preparation of several comprehensive Small Cities Development Block Grants (SCDG) for local governments. The 1984 SCDGs awarded for projects in Region 5 are: Browerville Redevelopment Project; Long Prairie Community Water System; Cass County Housing Authority; Remer Community Development. Grants in Region 5 represent 20% of the total amount of \$18,079,447 awarded in the state.

Economic assistance programs involved a series of activities. Region 5 aided in the preparation of several Economic Development Grants, Urban Development Action Grants, a Park and Recreation Planning Grant, and several Capital Improvements Plans.

Planning and technical assistance continue to be a major commitment of Region 5 staff. Planning assistance was provided by staff in a variety of projects including such diverse areas as transportation, park and recreation, natural resources, solid waste management, economic development, housing and lake shore management. Technical assistance also encompasses a wide variety of areas including zoning administration, fire district mapping, township road recording, comprehensive planning, school district mapping, and a variety of other projects.

The Community Development Advisory Committee advises the Commission and staff on planning activities, review of local projects and overall program efforts in the areas of economic development, agriculture, forestry, tourism, housing and natural resources.

The chart on the following page summarizes the major technical assistance and grants writing projects completed in the past year by Region 5 staff. In addition, assistance was provided to many local units of government, businesses and community groups.

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROJECTS

<u>UNIT OF GOVERNMENT</u>	<u>PROJECT</u>	<u>STATUS</u>
<u>Cass County</u>		
Barclay Township	Road Recording	In Progress
Longville	Small Cities Development Grant	Complete
Pillager	School District Map	In Progress
Pillager	Zoning Ordinance Update & Map	Complete
Pine River	Sludge Management Plan	In Progress
Walker	Small Cities Development Grant	Complete
<u>Crow Wing County</u>		
Breezy Point	Capital Improvements Plan	Complete
Breezy Point	Parks and Recreation Planning	Complete
Breezy Point	Street and Sewer Map	In Progress
Breezy Point	Zoning Ordinance Review	In Progress
Crosslake	Small Cities Development Grant	Complete
Emily	Comp. Plan, Zoning Ord. & Map	In Progress
Fifty Lakes	Capital Improvements Plan	In Progress
Garrison	Zoning Ordinance Revision	Complete
Manhattan Beach	Comp. Plan & Zoning Ord.	Complete
Pequot Lakes	Subd. & Zoning Ord. Update	Complete
<u>Morrison County</u>		
Little Falls	Comprehensive Plan	Complete
Little Falls	Small Cities Development Grant	Complete
Motley	Small Cities Development Grant	Complete
Swanville	Comp. Plan, Zoning Ord. & Map	In Progress
<u>Todd County</u>		
Browerville	Comprehensive Plan Update	Complete
Browerville	Small Cities Development Grant	Complete
Clarissa	Small Cities Development Grant	In Progress
Eagle Bend	Capital Improvements Plan	Pending
Little Sauk Twp.	Small Cities EDA Grant	Complete
Long Prairie	Small Cities Development Grant	Complete
Long Prairie	Impacts of Rail Abandonment	In Progress
Staples	School District Map	In Progress
Staples	Sewer and Water Map	Complete
Staples	Small Cities Development Grant	Complete
<u>Wadena County</u>		
Menahga	Comp. Plan & Cap. Improv. Plan	In Progress
Wadena	Comprehensive Plan	In Progress
Wadena	Economic Development Profile	Complete

FIRE MAPS

Region 5 has completed its second year of the fire map program. Through this program, Commission staff work with local township, city and fire department officials to develop or update fire map systems. This includes original maps, reduced maps for convenience, alphabetical and numerical lists. Last fiscal year eleven projects were completed and seven were in progress at the close of the year. Listed below are the 11 projects that have been completed this year as well as the 15 which are in progress.

UNIT OF GOVERNMENT	STATUS
CASS COUNTY:	
Becker Township	In Progress
Birch Lake Township	Completed
Byron Township	Completed
Fairview Township	Completed
Homebrook Township	Completed
May Township	Completed
Meadowbrook Township	In Progress
Ponto Lake Township	Completed
Poplar Township	In Progress
Smokey Hollow Township	In Progress
Sylvan Township	Completed
CROW WING COUNTY:	
City of Fort Ripley	In Progress
MORRISON COUNTY:	
Motley Township	Completed
Clough Township	In Progress
Cushing Township	In Progress
Little Falls Township	In Progress
Buckman Township	In Progress
Parker Township	In Progress
Rail Prairie Township	Completed
Ripley Township	In Progress
Rosing Township	Completed
Scandia Valley Township	Completed
Upsala Fire Department (City of Upsala, City of Elmdale, Elmdale Township)	In Progress
TODD COUNTY:	
Grey Eagle Fire Assn. (Round Prairie, Burnhamville Birchdale, Grey Eagle Twsh.)	In Progress
Hewitt Fire Department (Stowe Prairie, part of Bartlett Township)	In Progress
Osakis Fire Assn. (Gordon, Osakis, Orange Township, parts of Belle River, Little Sauk, West Union, Leslie Township)	In Progress

TRANSPORTATION PLANNING

The Commission, through its Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) has continued to monitor Local, State, and Federal transportation programs and legislation that have regional significance. The Commission has also participated in efforts to improve the major highway transportation links in Region 5.

During the past year the TAC undertook a comprehensive review and update of the Transportation Plan. The updated plan now includes more data on the four major modes of transportation in Region 5 as well as goals and policies in the four modes.

Region 5 has continued to provide technical assistance to the local units of government in the area. Technical assistance projects in the last year have included assisting townships with road recording and assisting the communities along Highway 10 in their attempts to have the four lane construction completed. In addition, Region 5 has assisted communities in studying the impact of railroad abandonment and other transportation problems. The Region 5 Regional Development Commission has continued to act as a liaison and make recommendations to the Minnesota Department of Transportation and the legislature on issues that impact transportation services in Region 5.

ROAD INCONSISTENCY STUDY IMPLEMENTATION

In 1982-1983 a special study was conducted by the Region 5 Transportation Advisory Committee on problems created by inconsistent road signage, load limits, and road and bridge characteristics which exist between counties on adjoining County State Aid Highways in Region 5.

During the past year implementation of the recommendations of the study began. The individual counties have begun changing county road signs to ensure consistency between counties. Currently the TAC is working on methods of implementing the regional routes proposed in the study. The implementation of route systems will probably be completed in the near future.

BUDGET
INFORMATION

BUDGET INFORMATION

REVENUES	FY84	FY85
State Planning Agency	\$ 46,120	\$ 46,039
Local Levy	36,000	54,000
Small Cities Dev. Pro. Asst. (Assistance)	18,000	10,000
Economic Dev. Administration	42,608	49,500
MN State Arts Board	32,645	34,200
McKnight Foundation	1,504	5,750
Blandin Foundation	-0-	9,300
MN Board on Aging	659,119	591,981
Developmental Disabilities	33,850	60,103
Beltrami/Hubbard Counties	18,496	7,665
Cass/Todd/Wadena/Morrison CHS	8,000	8,436
MN Dept. of Transportation	10,000	10,000
Local Contracts	500	200
IISAC	-0-	300
Browerville SCDG Admin.	-0-	21,571
Emily TA Contract	-0-	481
In-Kind Revenues	6,643	20,729
General Fund Resources	63,489	21,374
Total Revenues	\$976,974	\$951,629

EXPENDITURES	FY84	FY85
Salaries	\$ 98,978	\$116,042
Benefits	37,856	46,353
Total Personnel	136,834	162,395
Commission Fringe	500	400
Staff Travel	13,500	12,650
Committee Travel	4,000	4,000
Commission Travel	7,200	6,400
Consultants Travel	-0-	3,694
Consultants	44,500	32,642
Reports and Printing	1,550	710
Per Diem	12,000	11,000
Staff Car Expenses	770	700
Rent	4,067	5,621
Books and Reports	3,300	2,150
Insurance	3,400	1,800
Miscellaneous	13,000	1,000
Equipment	12,500	1,450
Maintenance	2,000	-0-
Postage	550	550
Supplies	400	900
Cost Pool	100,414	113,837
Workshop		1,449
Total Operating Budget	360,485	363,348
In-Kind	6,643	20,729
Total Program Budget	367,128	384,077
Direct Grant Assistance	609,846	567,552
Total	\$976,974	\$951,629

PROJECT REVIEWS

PROJECT REVIEW SYSTEM

The Region 5 Regional Development Commission was designated by the Governor of Minnesota in 1975 as the "clearinghouse" for the five-county area of central Minnesota. Regional clearinghouses under the authority of Executive Order 12372 (replacing Circular A-95), State Regulations and the Regional Development Act review and comment on local project applications requesting federal and state grants and loans through a process entitled Project Review System (PRS).

The PRS process was developed to: a) encourage the coordination of state and federally funded and assisted programs with local and area-wide plans and programs; b) eliminate duplication and inefficiencies in proposals; c) provide an opportunity to local persons/agencies to review and comment on proposals before they are funded.

In addition to the authority granted the Commission under Executive Order 12372, the Commission is also granted the following powers under the Regional Development Act of 1969: a) review and comment on long-term comprehensive plans for local governmental units within the Region; b) review and comment on plans of independent boards and commissions having multi-county or multi-community impacts, for conformance with regional plans and policies; c) review and comment on applications for federal and state grants or loans made by governmental units, independent commissions, boards or agencies within the region.

Upon receipt of a project notification, the Commission contacts local units of government, agencies and individuals who may be affected or interested in the project, and requests their comments. Once these comments are received the Commission completes a final review of the project. The Final Review comment is then forwarded to the State Clearinghouse along with a copy of all responses received. The State then forwards the Region 5 comment along with the State comment to the appropriate federal funding agency.

The Regional Clearinghouse Review procedure does not guarantee or deny the funding of a project; rather it provides a vehicle for informing, collecting and forwarding comments on projects that may have an impact within the region. On the following pages is a listing of all projects reviewed by the Commission for the period from July 1, 1983 through June 30, 1984.

ACTION

APPLICANT	PROJECT TITLE	AMOUNT REQUESTED	COMMENTS	STATUS
Ah-Gwah-Ching Nursing Home	Retired Senior Volunteer Program 1983	30,000	Positive	Funded
Ah-Gwah-Ching Nursing Home	Retired Senior Volunteer Program 1984	30,000	Positive	Pending
Assn. for Retarded Citizens MN	Foster Grandparents Program 1983	513,987	Positive	Funded
Assn. for Retarded Citizens MN	Foster Grandparents Program 1984	984,387	Positive	Pending
Assn. for Retarded Citizens MN	Senior Companion Program 1983	38,064	Positive	Funded
Assn. for Retarded Citizens MN	Senior Companion Program 1984	522,818	Positive	Pending
Crow Wing County	Retired Senior Volunteer Program 1983	32,298	Positive	Funded
Crow Wing County	Retired Senior Volunteer Program 1984	36,615	Positive	Pending
Ottertail/Wadena CAC	Retired Senior Volunteer Program 1983	48,413	Positive	Funded
Ottertail/Wadena CAC	Retired Senior Volunteer Program 1984	55,693	Positive	Pending

CETA

APPLICANT	PROJECT TITLE	AMOUNT REQUESTED	COMMENTS	STATUS
Rural MN CEP	Job Training Program 1984-1985 CETA	6,603,080	Positive	Funded

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

APPLICANT	PROJECT TITLE	AMOUNT REQUESTED	COMMENTS	STATUS
Big Brother/Big Sister Inc.	Big Brother/Big Sister Program	9,348	Positive	Funded
Cass County	Retention of Housing Stock	600,000	Positive	Funded
City of Brainerd	N.E. Neighborhood Strategy Area	700,000	Positive	Not Funded
City of Browerville	Redevelopment Project	1,397,000	Positive	Funded
City of Buckman	Public Facilities Improvements	389,730	Positive	Not Funded
City of Crosslake	Road Improvement Project	521,456	Positive	Not Funded
City of Hewitt	Small Cities Development Project	569,219	Positive	Not Funded
City of Ironton	Public Facilities Improvement Project	212,609	Positive	Not Funded
City of Little Falls	Redevelopment Project	1,400,000	Positive	Not Funded
City of Long Prairie	Municipal Water & Well Improvements	600,000	Positive	Funding
City of Longville	Sewage Treatment Facilities	286,642	Positive	Not Funded
City of Motley	Housing and Public Facilities Project	1,398,536	Positive	Not Funded
City of Nisswa	Sanitary Facilities Project	362,925	Positive	Not Funded
City of Pequot Lakes	Water Supply Project	264,000	Positive	Not Funded
City of Remer	Community Development	1,044,000	Positive	Funded
City of Staples	McCourtney Plastics Expansion	252,500	Positive	Funded
City of Wadena	Country Fair Foods	150,000	Positive	Pending
City of Walker	Front Street Project	376,550	Positive	Not Funded
Cuyuna Range District Hospital	Home Care Program	30,000	Positive	Pending
Leech Lake Res. Bus. Committee	Shelter Care for Girls	118,893	Positive	Not Funded
Swanville Public School	Modern Approach to Personal Problems	1,000	Positive	Funded
Todd County	Little Sauk Alcohol Plant	247,900	Negative	Withdrawn
Todd/Wadena Co. Com. Corrections	Todd Wadena Co. Com. Concern for Youth	10,000	Positive	Funded
Todd/Wadena Counties	Staples-Verndale Concern for Youth	38,498	Positive	Funded

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

APPLICANT	PROJECT TITLE	AMOUNT REQUESTED	COMMENTS	STATUS
City of Brainerd	Brainerd Mall UDAG	2,000,000	Positive	Not Funded
City of Brainerd	Westgate Mall Project	515,000	Positive	Not Funded
City of Crosby	Hickory Woods Motel	616,000	Positive	Pending
City of Crosby	Mr. Meats Store Expansion	100,000	Positive	Not Funded
City of Deerwood	Private Renovation, Abandoned Co. Nursing Home	225,000	Positive	Withdrawn
Soc. Ministry, Synods of Luth.	Shephard Arms Apartments of Brainerd	1,217,320	Positive	Not Funded

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

APPLICANT	PROJECT TITLE	AMOUNT REQUESTED	COMMENTS	STATUS
Central MN Health Systems Agency	Designation	150,000	Positive	Funded
Cuyuna Range Economic Dev. Inc.	Promotional Brochure	8,000	Positive	Not Funded
Tri-County CAP	Head Start Expansion	78,127	Positive	Pending
Tri-County CAP	Head Start	320,207	Positive	Funded

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION

APPLICANT	PROJECT TITLE	AMOUNT REQUESTED	COMMENTS	STATUS
City of Brainerd	Public Facilities Improvements	331,652	Positive	Not Funded
City of Crosby	Sanitary Sewer and Watermain	35,000	Positive	Not Funded
City of Crosslake	Public Facilities Improvements	1,001,344	Positive	Not Funded
City of Little Falls	Public Facilities Expansion	987,288	Positive	Not Funded
City of Nisswa	Sanitary Sewer and Water Supply	500,000	Positive	Not Funded
City of Pequot Lakes	Water Supply Facilities	227,220	Positive	Not Funded
City of Staples	Improvement of Public Facilities	106,555	Positive	Not Funded
City of Wadena	Wadena Industrial Park Sewer & Water Improve.	455,040	Positive	Pending
City of Wadena	Wadena Sewer and Water Improvements	900,000	Positive	Not Funded
Region 5 RDC	Economic Development Planning	49,500	Positive	Funded

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

APPLICANT	PROJECT TITLE	AMOUNT REQUESTED	COMMENTS	STATUS
Cass Lake	Wastewater Treatment Construction	1,126,845	Positive	Not Funded
City of Hackensack	Step 2 & 3 Wastewater Treatment	540,000	Positive	Not Funded

FARMERS HOME ADMINISTRATION

APPLICANT	PROJECT TITLE	AMOUNT REQUESTED	COMMENTS	STATUS
Brink-Don LTD	Family and Elderly Housing	830,000	Positive	Withdrawn
City of Browerville	Water System Improvements	659,075	Positive	Funded
City of Cuyuna	Water Well and Water System	181,950	Positive	Not Funded
City of Grey Eagle	Fire Truck	50,000	Positive	Funded
City of Hewitt	Waste Water Treatment	400,741	Positive	Pending
City of Walker	Water Storage Facilities	287,000	Positive	Funded
Wadena Tri-County Hospital	Expansion and Remodeling	1,300,000	Positive	Pending

GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

APPLICANT	PROJECT TITLE	AMOUNT REQUESTED	COMMENTS	STATUS
Northern Cass DAC	Retail Store for DAC Products	16,500	Positive	Funded
Region 5 RDC	FY85 Developmental Disabilities	97,311	Positive	Funded

GOVERNOR'S COUNCIL ON RURAL DEVELOPMENT

APPLICANT	PROJECT TITLE	AMOUNT REQUESTED	COMMENTS	STATUS
Com. Dev. of Little Falls	Morrison County Agricultural Development	14,390	Positive	Not Funded
MN Assoc. of Co. Plan. & Zon.	MACPZA Continuing Ed. Voluntary Certification	24,817	Positive	Funded

LAWCON/LCMR-1984

APPLICANT	PROJECT TITLE	AMOUNT REQUESTED	COMMENTS	STATUS
City of Bertha	Tennis Courts Addition	10,000	Positive	Not Funded
City of Brainerd	O'Brien Park	6,050	Positive	Not Funded
City of Clarissa	Community Park	5,000	Positive	Not Funded
City of Crosslake	Public Facilities Improvements	30,000	Positive	Not Funded
City of Flensburg	City Park	30,000	Positive	Not Funded
City of Hackensack	Civic Park	23,750	Positive	Not Funded
City of Long Prairie	Tennis Courts	17,500	Positive	Not Funded
City of Motley	Civic Park	5,500	Positive	Not Funded
City of Pequot Lakes	City Park	5,000	Positive	Not Funded
City of Staples	Tennis Courts	16,725	Positive	Not Funded
City of Staples	Softball Lights	24,855	Positive	Not Funded
City of Wadena	Black Grove Park	12,909	Positive	Funded
City of Walker	Hillview Recreational Area	23,500	Positive	Not Funded
Crow Wing County	Park & Recreation Capital Improvements	24,025	Positive	Funded
Department of Natural Resources	Crow Wing State Park	15,000	Positive	Not Funded
Little Falls Township	Anderson Park	5,890	Positive	Not Funded
Morrison County	Mississippi River Park	7,513	Positive	Not Funded
Morrison County	Historical Preserve	97,500	Positive	Not Funded
Todd County	Battle Point Park	7,500	Positive	Funded

LAWCON/LCMR-1985

APPLICANT	PROJECT TITLE	AMOUNT REQUESTED	COMMENTS	STATUS
City of Bertha	Tennis Court Addition	20,000	Positive	Pending
City of Brainerd	Lum Park Improvements	385,000	Positive	Pending
City of Breezy Point	Breezy Point City Park	5,000	Positive	Pending
City of Clarissa	Community Park	10,000	Positive	Pending
City of Ironton	Tennis Facilities	33,500	Positive	Pending
City of Little Falls	Lower Mississippi Flats Recreation Area	181,250	Positive	Pending
City of Pequot Lakes	Warming House/Restrooms	8,050	Positive	Pending
City of Pequot Lakes	City Park	14,875	Positive	Pending
City of Walker	Hillview Softball Recreation Area	16,000	Positive	Pending
Crow Wing County	Crow Wing County Recreation Area	46,000	Positive	Pending
Mission Township	Recreation Area	7,950	Positive	Pending

MN BOARD ON AGING

APPLICANT	PROJECT TITLE	AMOUNT REQUESTED	COMMENTS	STATUS
Region 5 RDC	Area Agency on Aging	570,000	Positive	Funded

MN DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC SECURITY

APPLICANT	PROJECT TITLE	AMOUNT REQUESTED	COMMENTS	STATUS
Rural MN CEP, Inc.	Community Service Employment Program	133,920	Positive	Funded
Rural MN CEP, Inc.	Dislocated Workers in Rural Area	1,000,000	Positive	Funded
Rural MN CEP, Inc.	Job Training Plan	2,243,156	Positive	Funded

MN DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

APPLICANT	PROJECT TITLE	AMOUNT REQUESTED	COMMENTS	STATUS
City of Wadena	Library Construction Grant	185,000	Positive	Funded

MN DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

APPLICANT	PROJECT TITLE	AMOUNT REQUESTED	COMMENTS	STATUS
Backus School District	Early Childhood Development	56,370	Positive	Not Funded
Cass County Public Health	Maternal Child Health	34,875	Positive	Funded
Cass Lake/Bena School Districts	Dental Care and Immunization	4,000	Positive	Not Funded
Cass/Morrison Pub. Hlth. Depts.	Cass/Morrison Environmental Health Grant	20,000	Positive	Funded
Cass-Todd-Wadena-Morrison CHS	Plan for 1984-1985	309,122	Positive	Funded
Crow Wing Health Services	Plan for 1984-1985	272,426	Positive	Funded
Ed. Coop. Unit - ECSU-5	Maternal Child Health	61,740	Positive	Not Funded
Family Life Bureau	Natural Family Planning	68,000	Positive	Funded
Gillette Children's Hospital	Services to Handicapped Children	107,644	Positive	Not Funded
MN Chapt. of American Peds.	Child Passenger Car Seat	205,800	Negative	Not Funded

MN DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH (CONT.)

APPLICANT	PROJECT TITLE	AMOUNT REQUESTED	COMMENTS	STATUS
MN Institute	Adolescent Pregnancy Program	48,300	Negative	Not Funded
Morrison Co. Pub. Hlth.	Maternal Child Health	51,106	Positive	Not Funded
New Beginnings	Counseling & Education	291,645	Negative	Not Funded
Ottertail/Wadena CAC	Family Planning	26,605	Positive	Funded
Ottertail/Wadena CAC	Maternal Child Health	30,650	Negative	Not Funded
Todd Co. Pub. Hlth.	Maternal Child Health	23,588	Positive	Not Funded
Wadena Co. Pub. Hlth.	Maternal Child Health	93,628	Positive	Not Funded

MN DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

APPLICANT	PROJECT TITLE	AMOUNT REQUESTED	COMMENTS	STATUS
Cass County	Forest Development Road #2132	1,307,775	Positive	Funded
Cass County	Replacement of Bridge #L3859	25,000	Positive	Funded
Cass County	Replacement of Bridge #L3883	30,000	Positive	Funded
Cass County	Replacement of Bridge #7429	65,000	Positive	Pending
City of Brainerd	Transit Grant 1983/Section 9A	25,200	Positive	Funded
City of Brainerd	Transit Application/Section 18	80,694	Positive	Funded
City of Crosby	Improvements to Main Street	712,500	Positive	Pending
City of Upsala	Upsala Transit	8,960	Positive	Funded
Crow Wing County	Bridge #4953	205,663	Positive	Pending
Crow Wing County	CSAH #3 Project	33,370	Positive	Pending
Crow Wing County	Grading and Surfacing of CSAH 36	80,000	Positive	Pending
Crow Wing County	Replace Bridge #L2873	200,000	Positive	Pending
Crow Wing County	Crow Wing County Bridge Project	34,854	Positive	Pending
MN Dept. of Transportation	Work Program	N/A	Positive	Funded
Morrison County	Bituminous Resurfacing CSAH 34	561,600	Positive	Pending
Morrison County	Bridge Project #1529	99,762	Positive	Pending
Pine River	Community Van	17,356	Positive	Funded
Senior Citizens of Pine River	Elderly & Handicapped Transportation(1b)(b)(2)	18,900	Positive	Funded
Todd County	Replacement of Township Road Bridge #L7073	18,000	Positive	Pending
Todd County	Todd County CSAH 21	725,000	Positive	Pending
Todd County DAC	Handicapped Transportation	18,900	Positive	Not Funded
Wadena County	Bituminous Surfacing of CSAH 2	247,000	Positive	Pending
Wadena County	Bridge Replacement/Wing Township #38	90,400	Positive	Pending
Wadena County	Bridge Project	342,500	Positive	Pending
Wadena County	Bridge Project	360,000	Positive	Pending
Wadena County	Bridge Project	270,000	Positive	Pending
Wadena County	Bridge Project II	100,000	Positive	Pending

MN POLLUTION CONTROL AGENCY

APPLICANT	PROJECT TITLE	AMOUNT REQUESTED	COMMENTS	STATUS
City of Little Falls	Wastewater Treatment Improvements	\$6,355,300	Positive	Funded

PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES

APPLICANT	PROJECT TITLE	AMOUNT REQUESTED	COMMENTS	STATUS
St. Joseph's Medical Center	Home Health FY84	\$ 30,000	Positive	Funded
St. Joseph's Medical Center	Extended Care FY85	30,000	Positive	Pending

STATE PLANNING AGENCY (MCKNIGHT FUNDS)

APPLICANT	PROJECT TITLE	AMOUNT REQUESTED	COMMENTS	STATUS
Brainerd Community College	Lifelong Career Development	\$ 12,000	Positive	Not Funded
Todd/Wad. Council for Handicapped	Handicapped Service at Gas Stations	1,494	Positive	Not Funded

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

APPLICANT	PROJECT TITLE	AMOUNT REQUESTED	COMMENTS	STATUS
Woodland Coop. Dist. #952	Communicating for Educational Purposes	\$ 160,000	Positive	Not Funded

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

APPLICANT	PROJECT TITLE	AMOUNT REQUESTED	COMMENTS	STATUS
MN Dept. of Economic Security	Weatherization Assistance	\$ 9,857,575	Positive	Funded

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR

APPLICANT	PROJECT TITLE	AMOUNT REQUESTED	COMMENTS	STATUS
MN Historical Society	1984 Survey & Planning	\$ 156,312	Positive	Funded