

Siouxland Interstate Metropolitan Planning Council / Metropolitan Planning Organization

Title VI Notice to the Public

The Siouxland Interstate Metropolitan Planning Council / Metropolitan Planning Organization hereby gives public notice that it is the policy of the Siouxland Interstate Metropolitan Planning Council / Metropolitan Planning Organization to assure full compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, related statues and regulations provide that no person shall, on the ground of race, color, national origin, gender, age or disability be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving federal financial assistance. The Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987 amended Title VI to specify that entire institutions receiving federal funds, whether schools, colleges, government entities, or private employers, must comply with federal civil rights laws, rather than just the particular programs or activities that receive federal funds.

We are also concerned about the impacts of our programs, projects and activities on low income and minority populations (“Environmental Justice”) under the Title VI. Any person who believes that they are being denied participation in a project, being denied benefits of a program, or otherwise being discriminated against because of race, color, national origin, gender, age, or disability, may contact:

Title VI Coordinator

Michelle Bostinelos Siouxland Interstate Metropolitan Planning Council /

Metropolitan Planning Organization 712-279-6286 ext. 101,

TDD/TTY 800-735-2942 or mbostinelos@simpco.org or

Civil Rights Coordinator – Iowa DOT Office of Employee Services – Civil Rights

800-262-0003 or 515-262-1921

You should contact the above individual or Iowa DOT office as soon as possible but no later than 180 days after the alleged discrimination occurred, or if there has been a continuing course of conduct, no later than 180 days after the alleged discrimination was discontinued. Contact the Civil Rights Coordinator to get more information on the Iowa DOT’s Title VI Program.

For additional information about Title VI please contact the Title VI Coordinator at 712-279-6286 ext. 101 or mbosintelos@simpco.org