

Informative note

for the project: **“The renovation of the sector of the L-20 road in Briceni-Grimăncăuți to the border of Ukraine”**

The applicant: District Council of Briceni

Priority 1: “Rehabilitation of physical infrastructure”

Action 1.2: “Rehabilitation and upgrading of the existing network of roads and international connections”

I. General project data

The overall objective of the project: Improving the technical condition of road infrastructure on the L-20 in Grimăncăuți-Briceni in order to reduce costs and increase efficiency in the transportation of goods and people, as well as, increasing the level of safety for road users and residents of the relevant localities.

The project it is expected to achieve the following major objectives:

1. Reconstruction and landscaping works:

- Dissolution, fabrication, and installation of concrete borders.
- Solidifying 5.6 km of road on route to Briceni-Grimăncăuți;
- Reconstruction of 3 bridges on this portion of road.
- Arrangement of parking, road markings, and installation of road signs.

2. Improving the management capabilities of personnel from the Municipal Enterprise "Directorate General of Housing Production”

- 2 training seminars for representatives of LPA I, LPA II, and employees of the Trading Company "Drumuri Briceni”.
- Drawing up a plan of activities to ensure the sustainability of road management.

3. Informing citizens about the project activities and the importance of being safe on the renovated road

- Placement of information about the implementation of the project on 5 information boards and regional press coverage.
- Local and national radio and TV broadcasts.
- 2 conferences: one at the launch and one at the completion of the project
- 5 articles in the local media on the major activities of the project.

1. Partner (partners):

1. City Hall of Briceni, district Briceni.
2. City Hall of the village Grimăncăuți, district Briceni.

2. The location of the project: The North Region, district Briceni.

3. The total amount of the project: – 34,015,630.00 MDL, **amount requested from NFRD** – 34,015,630.00 MDL, this constitutes 100% of the total cost of the project.

4. Duration of project implementation: 24 months

II. Conceptual note

Explanation

The regional project is aimed at 2 localities integrated into the district of Briceni and the access to a road that passes through these localities to the customs point with Ukraine.

The geographical position of the city located in Briceni district borders Ukraine to the north, Romania to the west, the district of Edinet to the South, and the district of Ocnita to the East, Briceni represents an important transit point to Romania and Ukraine. Improved infrastructure and strategic customs destination routes make the area a prime location for regional development when considering the established development strategies.

Potential beneficiaries of the project/target group

Target groups are: 8700 inhabitants of the city Briceni; 4223 inhabitants of the village Grimancauți; 20 economic enterprises from the city of Briceni and the village, Grimancauti; 22 public institutions of the city, Briceni and village, Grimancauți; approximately 400 people selling goods to the urban market as well as buyers from this market; and residents of the northern region moving on international route from Chisinau to Cernauti.

Final beneficiaries of the project are: 8700 inhabitants of the city, Briceni, and 4223 inhabitants of village, Grimancauți.

Project products.

Following implementation, the stretch of road with a distance of 5.6 km will be rebuilt (the road L-20 Briceni - Grimancauți); 3 bridges will be renovated on the L-20 road; informative materials about the project activities will be placed on 5 informative panels; 4 broadcasts will be run on radio and TV, and 4 articles will be written by the media.

Results of the project

Improved conditions will be created for transportation of cars and pedestrians on the road L-20 Briceni – Grimancauți; citizens will have increased access to public institutions, medical, educational, cultural, as well as sports; LPA representatives and management staff from public institutions will have increased capabilities to communicate with the public and will be able to have improved resource management.

Multiple effects

Rehabilitation of the road L-20 Briceni-Grimancauti will have a number of beneficial effects, contributing to the economic growth of the North region of the Republic of Moldova. With its favorable location, the road is playing an increasingly important role in the quality of transportation between Ukraine and Moldova. It will become a commercial hub of transportation for the region and where the road will be rehabilitated, the logistical costs will be lower.

The main benefits, arranged in descending order, are:

1. Reduction of the operational costs of vehicles, this includes fuel and repair savings because the road is improved. The money saved can be invested in more productive purposes.
2. Reduction in time spent commuting, which can be used in more productive ways.
3. Reduction in automobile accidents.
4. Attraction of additional traffic, including international.
5. Increase in foreign direct investment and tourism because of the improved regional attractiveness

III. Social and economic impact of the project

Implementation of the project " The renovation of the sector of the L-20 road in Briceni-Grimancauti to the border of Ukraine " will lead to the improvement of accessibility and mobility for people, goods, and services for the North-Western region. This will stimulate sustainable economic development. The rehabilitated road will attract new investors to the field of rural tourism, as well as production services for the residents of the affected area. This can help create jobs and improve the development of public utilities, in particular, access to integrated waste management with better access of special transport cars for household waste. Also, the rehabilitation of the road will contribute to reducing the cost of transportation of goods and passengers, improving access to regional markets, increasing the efficiency of economic activities, saving energy and time, and creating conditions for the expansion of trade and productive investments. Finally, the improved safety of travel for all participants in traffic is a positive impact that will result from the project's implementation.