



Local Assistance Update UCI Tri-Annual Meeting

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Today.....

- **Local Assistance Division changes and path forward**
- **CTB Subcommittee on Maintenance Payments**
- **Secretary Connaughton's Local Government Survey**
- **Local Assistance Division Survey**

CTB Subcommittee Background

- **The CTB meeting on June 15, 2011:**
 - adopted local maintenance payments for fiscal year 2011-2012
 - significant discussion regarding the distribution of maintenance funds across systems and localities
- **The CTB meeting on July 20, 2011 established a subcommittee of the Board, which consists of all at-large members to:**
 - evaluate the issues surrounding equalization of maintenance fund allocations
 - and to consider options which could be addressed administratively and legislatively
 - to develop recommendations for the effective and equitable distribution of maintenance funds
 - to present those recommendations to the Board on or before December 31, 2011.
- **The subcommittee has met four times**

CTB Subcommittee August Meeting

- **Reviewed programs and available data**
 - **Code requirements**
 - **FY12 maintenance budgets**
 - **FY08-10 local expenditure data**
 - **Available local performance data**
- **Reviewed prior studies/evaluations of local maintenance payments**
- **Reviewed information on devolution studies**

CTB Subcommittee September Meeting

- **Current VDOT business models for maintenance**
 - **Comparison of the different maintenance programs:**
 - Payment categories,
 - Rate structure, and
 - FY12 budgeted amount
- **Local system maintenance funding policy in other states**
 - **Sampled 3 state programs similar to VDOT:**
 - North Carolina, West Virginia, and Delaware
 - **Sampled 7 state programs that do not maintain local roads:**
 - New York, Georgia, South Carolina, Washington, Tennessee, Michigan and Minnesota
- **Matrix of administrative/ legislative opportunities**
 - **CTB has some discretion in establishing rates**
 - **Changing formula/approach would require legislative action**

CTB Subcommittee October Meeting

- **Discussion of VDOT's asset management approach for maintenance budgeting**
- **Provided scenarios for distribution of local maintenance funds based on:**
 - **Lane Miles – Inventory**
 - **Vehicle Miles Traveled – Density of travel**
 - **Truck Traffic - Commerce**
 - **Combinations**
- **Discussed other potential factors (data not available to perform analyses)**
 - **Snow/Ice/Emergency Operations**
 - **Sales/Gasoline Tax Receipts**

General Consensus and Recommendations of the Subcommittee

- An analysis and comparison of needs across systems is desired before recommending legislative changes
 - Lack of available data on local system condition and performance limits further analysis
- The most equitable approach to distribution of scarce maintenance funding may be a formula that incorporates a prioritized needs-based factor along with a commitment to maintain our statewide assets, regardless of maintenance responsibility.
- Reconvene the local government working group (in partnership with the Virginia Municipal League and Virginia First Cities Coalition) to advance the collection and analysis of system condition and performance data on the locally maintained system.

Local Government Survey

- **General Information:**

- 2011 Local Government Survey
- Sent out on behalf of Secretary of Transportation, Sean T. Connaughton
- Two versions – one for localities that maintain their own roads, one for localities where VDOT maintains the roads

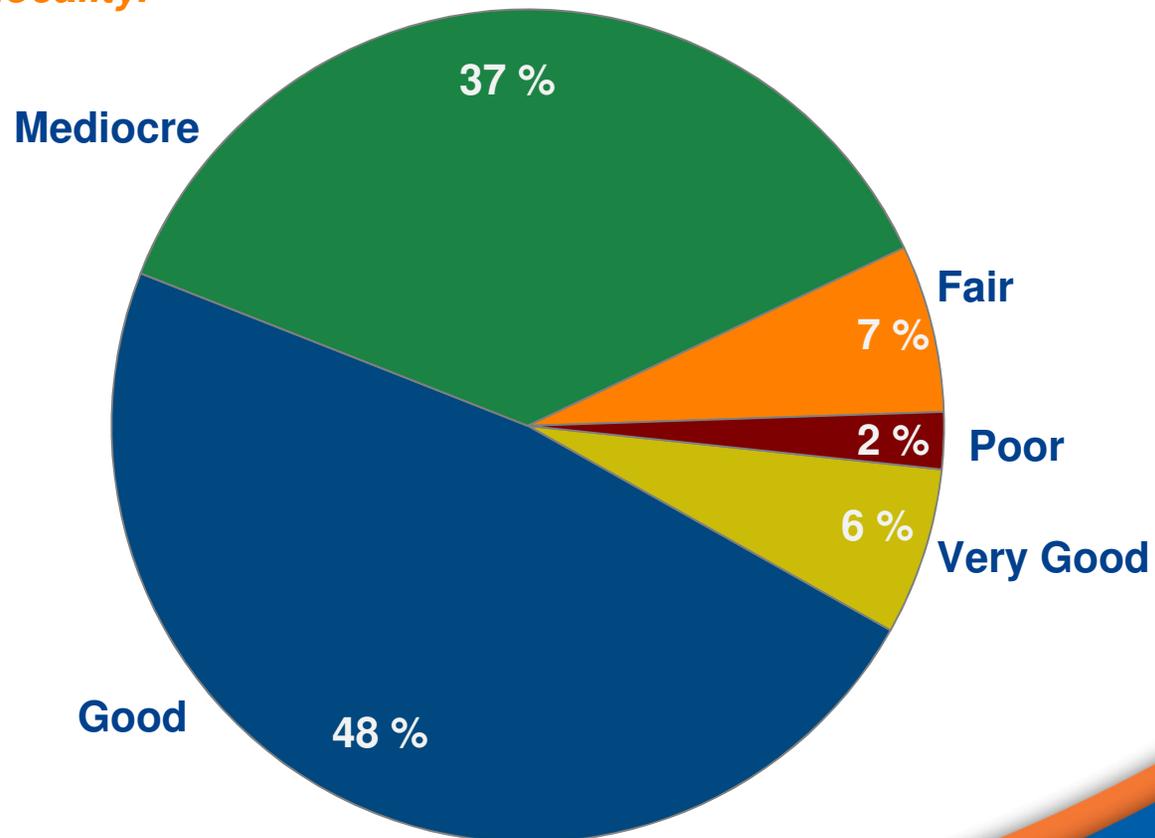
- **Major Points:**

- Intended to gauge the views of local government leaders on a variety of transportation topics
- With the release of George Mason University's secondary road study as well as other recent dialogue regarding transportation issues at the local level, there has been a great deal of speculation as to what changes may be pursued regarding local road issues.
- This survey will be one of many tools used by the Secretary to evaluate potential approaches to address the local transportation issues.

Local Government Survey (Continued)

- **System Condition – Locality maintained:**

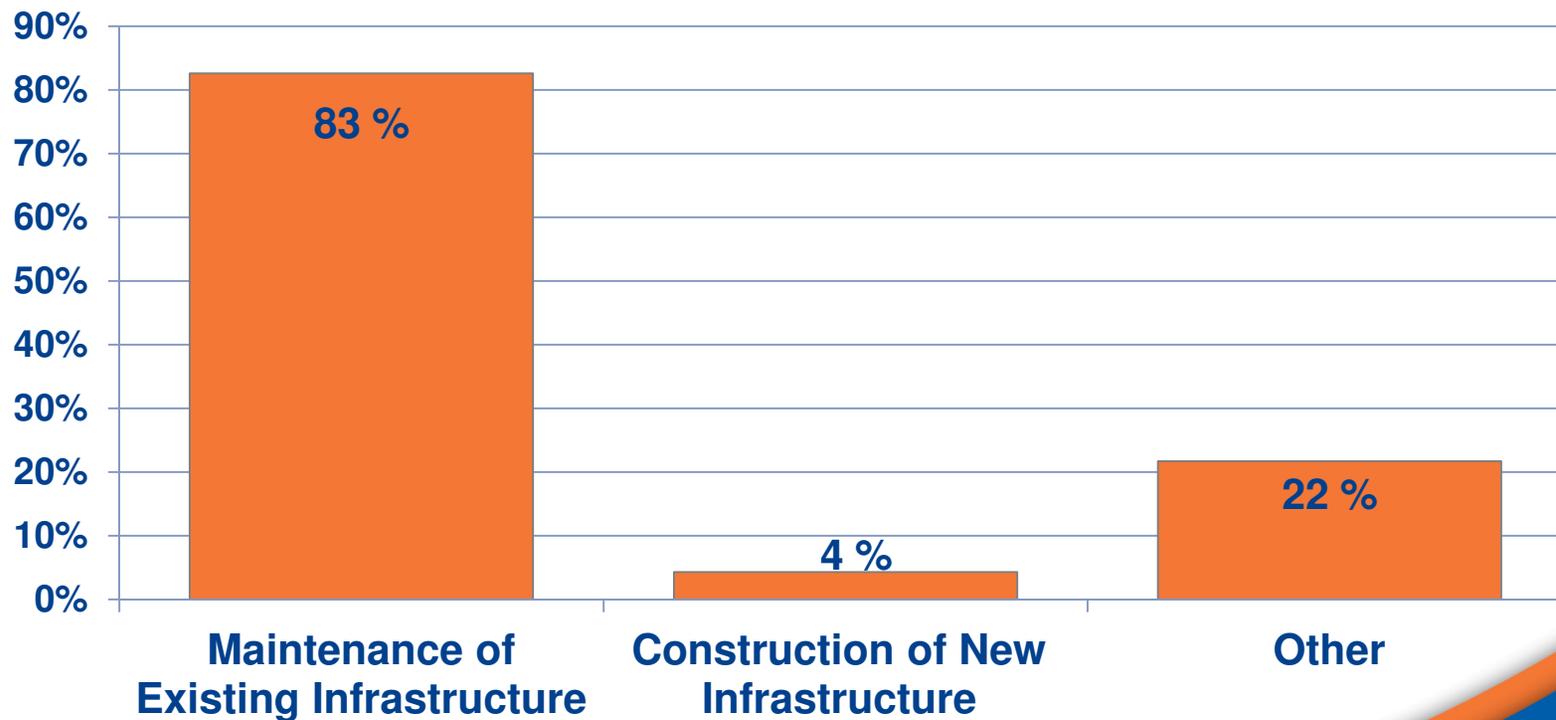
Please give us your thoughts on the current condition of the local transportation network in your locality.



Local Government Survey (Continued)

- **Priority for funding**

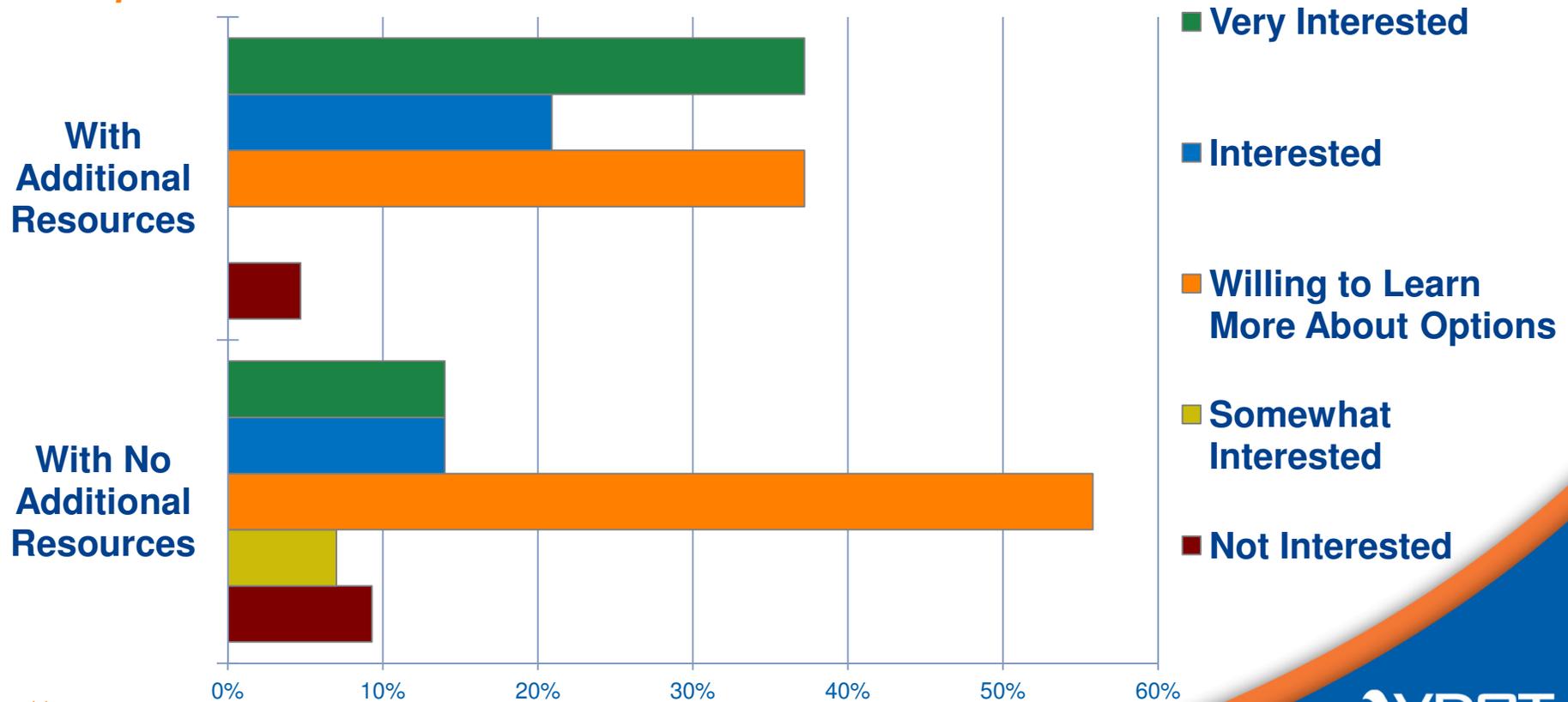
Considering the debate and challenges at both the federal and state level to meet transportation needs, where should we collectively be placing our priority given current constraints?



Local Government Survey (Continued)

- Interest in taking on a greater role in transportation

As of today, please rank your level of interest in playing a more significant role in transportation.

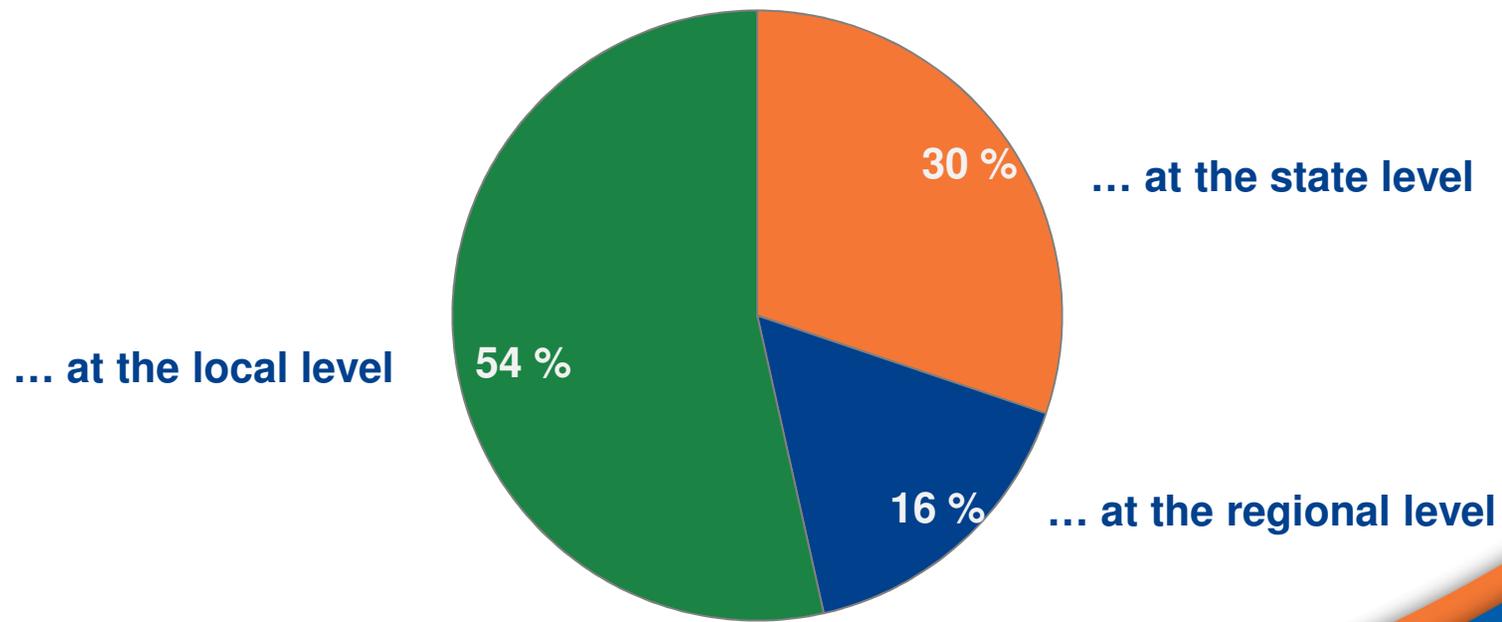


Local Government Survey (Continued)

- **Additional resources:**

What do you feel would be the best way to provide additional resources to the local transportation program?

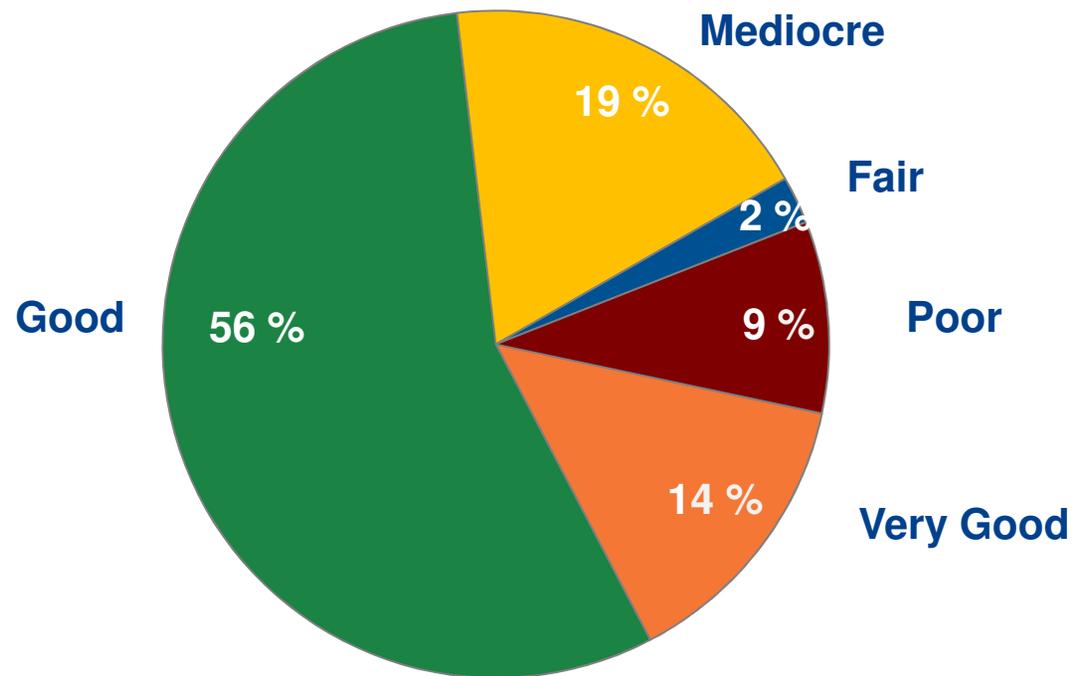
Provide additional revenue options...



Local Government Survey (Continued)

- Ability to provide transportation services:

Please rank your ability to provide transportation services to your community within your current organizational structure/staffing.



Local Assistance Division Survey

- **Purpose**

- Provide feed back to VDOT on the effectiveness of Local Programs
- Determine training needs
- Assess preferred methods for effective delivery of information and training

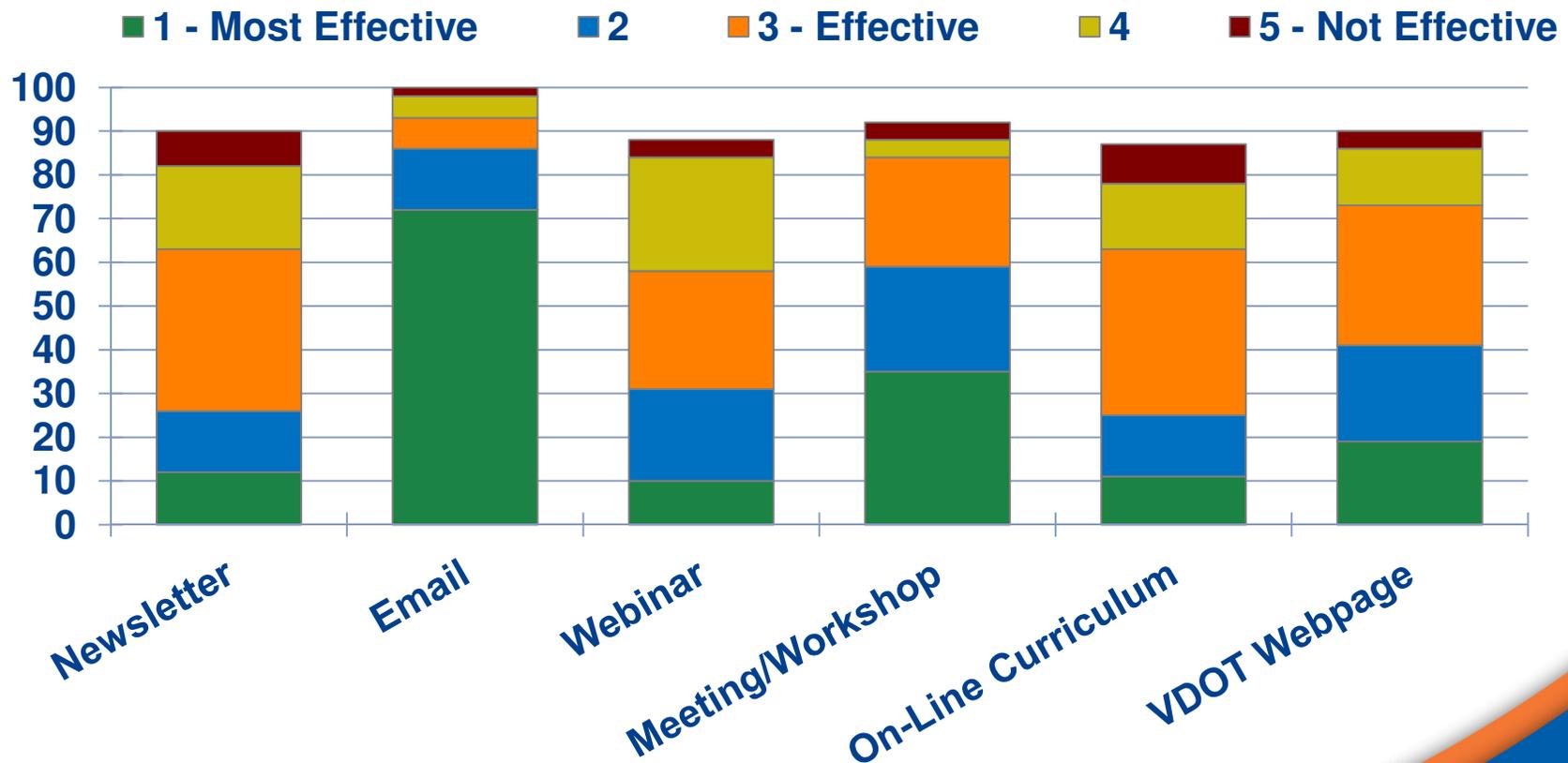
- **Major Points**

- Prefer email or email alerts for the dissemination of policy and guidance updates
- LAD's web page continues to be a primary source of program specific information
- Additional training is needed
- Localities indicate preference for face to face training through workshops and seminars

Local Programs Survey Results (Continued)

- Most Effective Method to Communicate

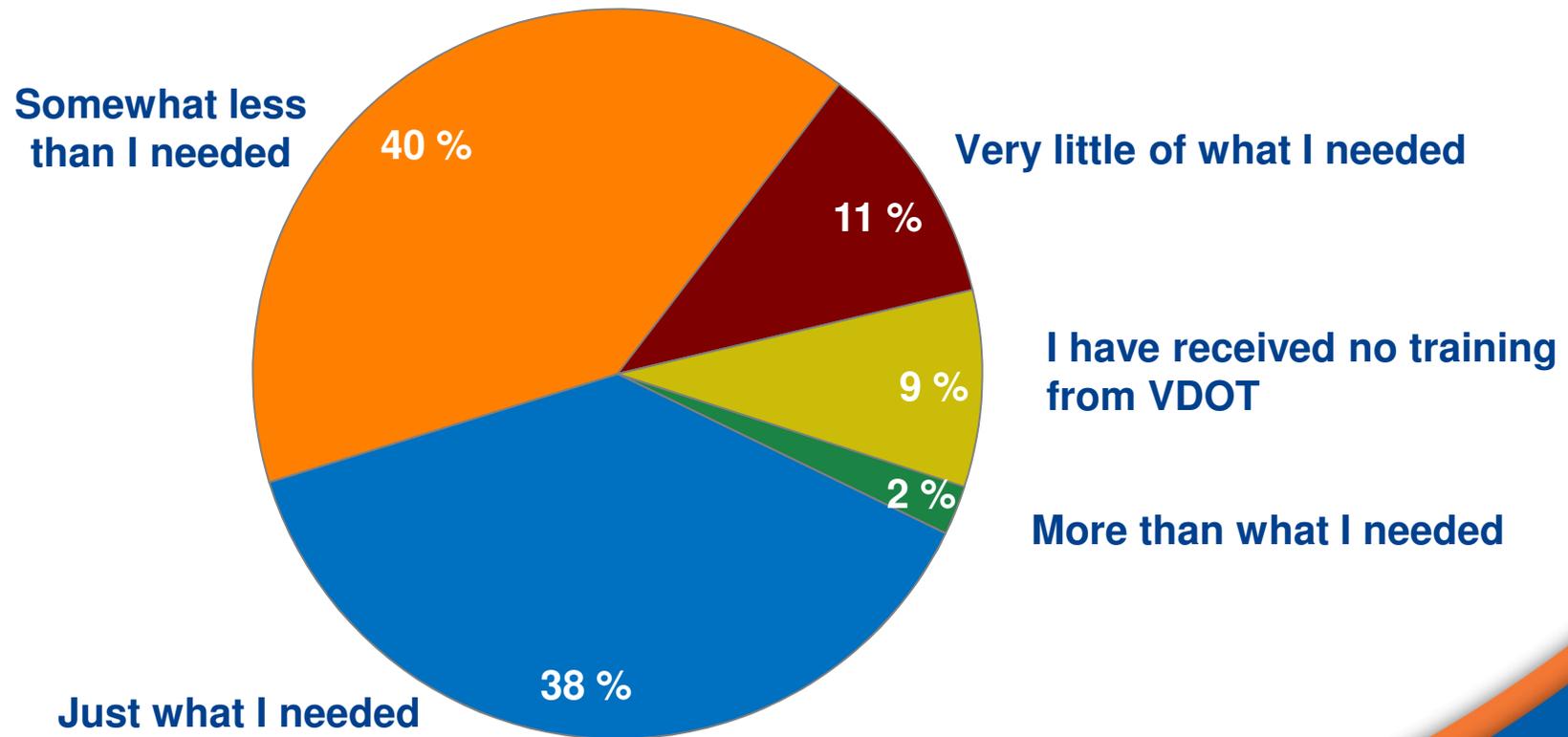
Please rank the effectiveness in broadcasting information (1 is most effective and 5 is least effective).



Local Programs Survey Results (Continued)

- Training

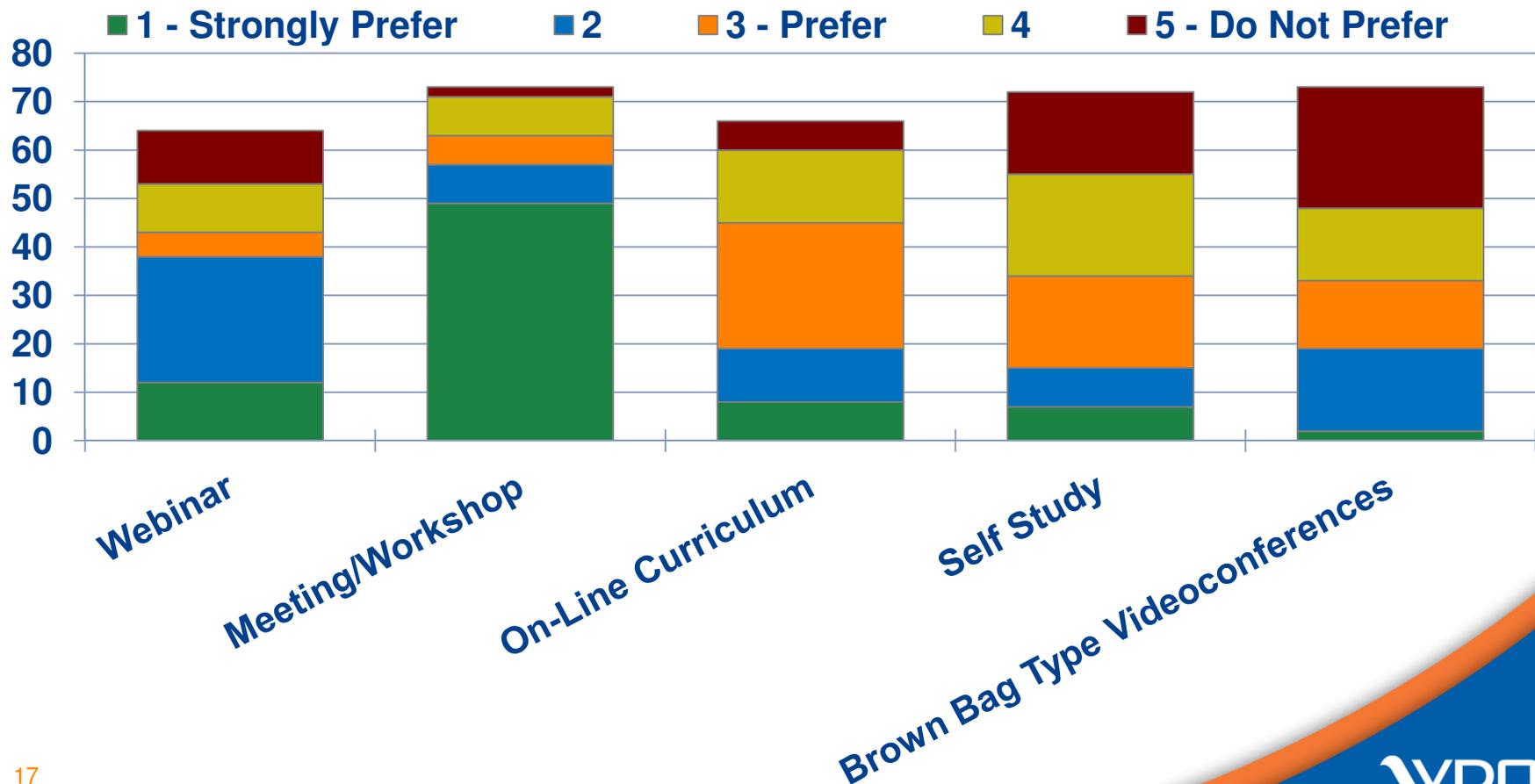
How would you rate the amount of training VDOT provides Localities for LAD programs?



Local Programs Survey Results (Continued)

• Training

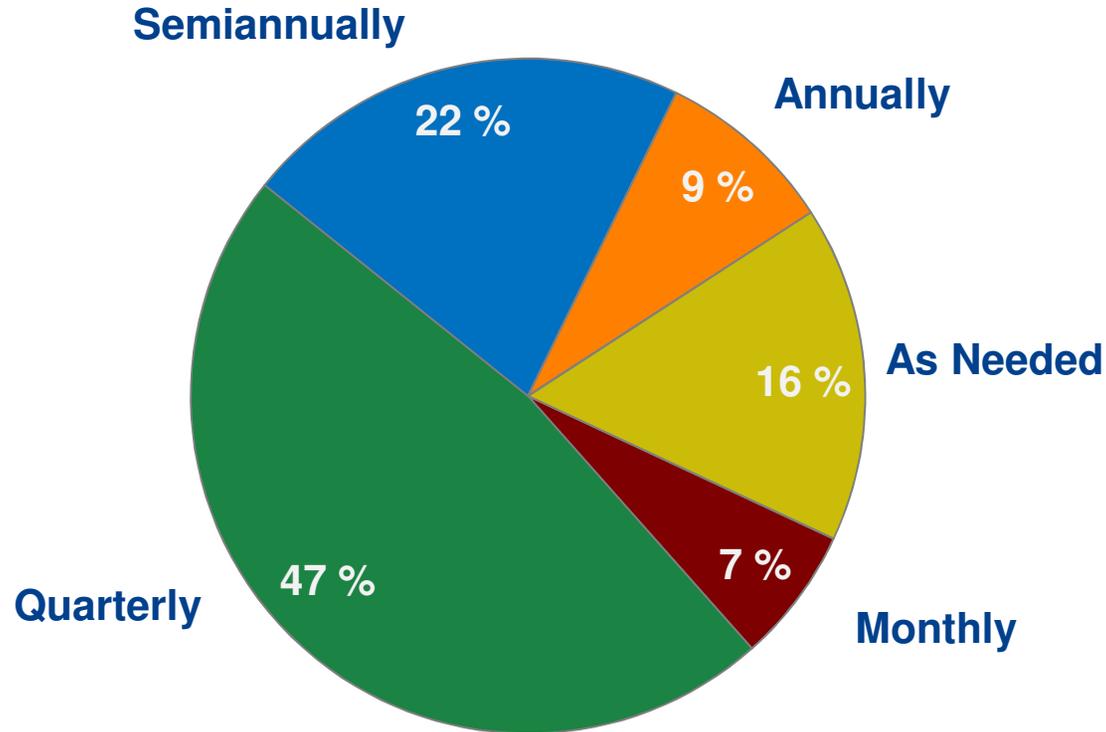
How do you prefer to receive training? Please rank in order of preference (1 is most preferred to 5 is least preferred).



Local Programs Survey Results (Continued)

- Training

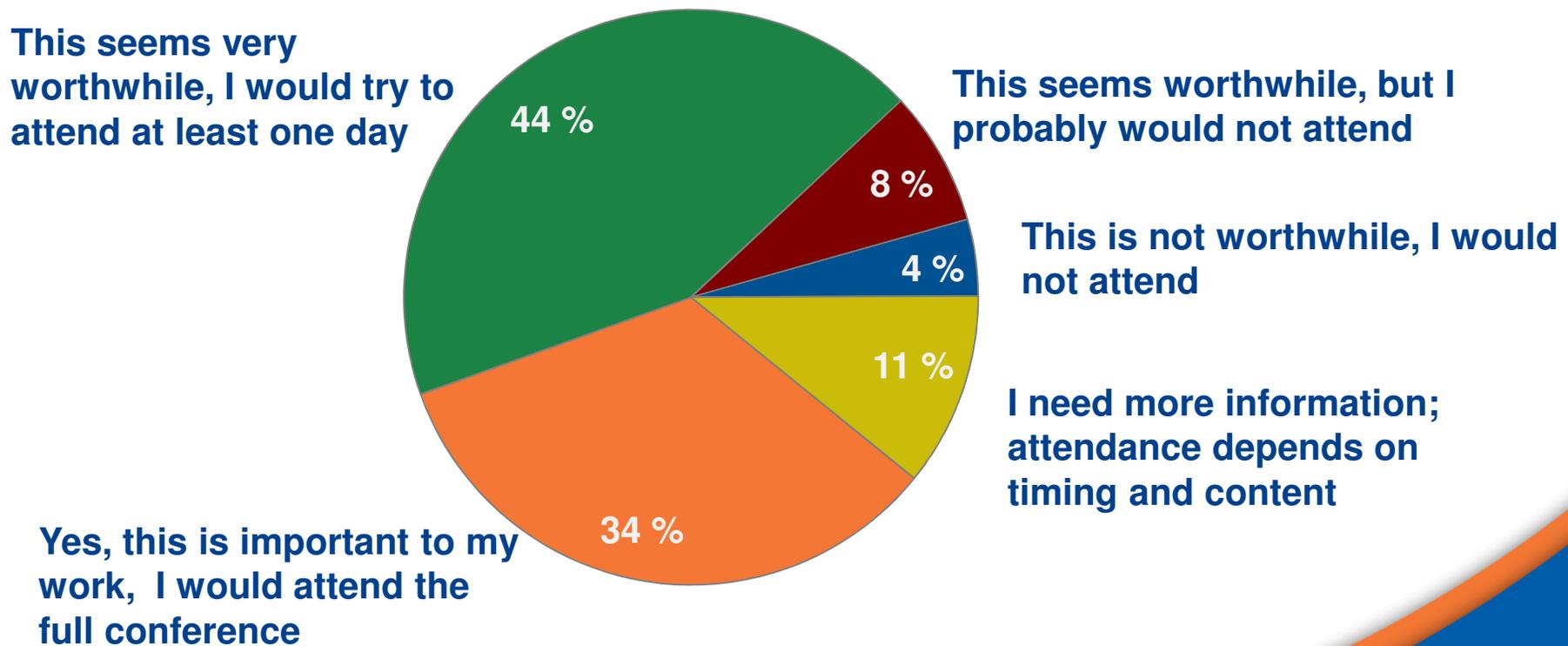
How frequently would you like training to be available?



Local Programs Survey Results (Continued)

- Training

LAD is considering hosting a one or two day conference which would provide program information as well as concentrated training in certain topic areas. Would you consider attending a 2 day Local Programs conference?



Local Programs Survey Results (Continued)

- **Next Steps:**

- **Creating LAD List Serv for distribution of policy & guidance updates**
- **Developing additional on-line training**
- **Planning for additional workshops and seminars**
- **Partnering with LTAP and NHI for enhanced training opportunities**

Revenue Sharing Program

Program Facts:

- Significant changes based on 2011 General Assembly action
- 50/50 matching program
- Open to Counties and Cities and Towns in the Urban System
- Program allocation up to \$200M (change for FY12)
- Max allocation of \$10M per locality

FY12 Allocations:

- Received requests for \$131.5M
- CTB allocated \$103 million state matching funds (funded over two years)

FY13 Applications:

- Applications were due on November 1st
- Received requests for over \$135M in state matching funds
- Received requests from 58 localities
- Currently evaluating requests and budget
- Anticipate CTB action in the Spring

Questions?