

Mission: Improving transportation to and within federal and tribal lands by providing technical services to the highway transportation community.

This report only includes fiscal year (**FY**) **2013**, **FY 2014** and **FY 2015**, for updated information please visit: <u>http://</u> www.efl.fhwa.dot.gov/programs/fed-landsmassachusetts.aspx

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Federal Lands Access Program (FLAP) Improving access to and within federal and tribal lands Massachusetts MAP-21 Funding Authorized: FY 2013: \$371,731 FY 2014: \$374,523 FY 2015: \$367.015 Federal land acreage for the five core FLMAs: 1.49% Federal public road miles: 73.9 Number of Federal public bridges: 18 Recreational visitation: 15,207,928 visitors per year **Success story:** The City of Lowell, in partnership with the Lowell National Historical Park (LNHP) project proposes the Merrimack Riverwalk Phase II extension. The City of Lowell's Riverwalk Bridge Street Node project will extend the "Mile of Mills" Riverwalk from the Boott Cotton Mills to the Massachusetts Mills providing an important pedestrian link in Lowell's urban waterway system. The project will fill in a missing link between the Riverwalk and the Eastern Canalway at

Bridge Street. It will also be a critical piece of a regional 50 mile Merrimack Trail and tie into the Massachusetts Bay Circuit Trail.

This combined pedestrian system serves LNHP visitors between attractions, residents traveling between destinations and recreational users. The ability to move people safely through the city is critical to the success of LNHP and the city's economic vitality. Additional visitors can be accommodated without detracting from the character of the area's historic resources.





Current terminus of Lowell Riverwalk

FLAP Project Selection Process

Each FLAP project is selected from a pool of applications submitted by the facility owner in response to a state-wide call for projects. The applications are screened, rated, and ranked using PDC approved rating criteria. The PDC unanimously agreed which projects met the established State program goals and conformed with the project ranking criteria contained in the "Call for Projects SOP". Based upon these evaluations, the proposed projects are recommended for programming within the available funding for each state. Memorandum of Agreements (MOA) are coordinated and executed for each programmed project prior to obligation of FLAP funds. There was one call for projects that generated 2 applications totaling \$1,050,000 funds requested.

FLAP Program of Projects*



Project Name	Improvement Type	FLMA Accessed	Federal Land's Unit	Delivery Year	Delivery Agency	Owner Agency
Pedestrian Path with Street Access and viewing node	Facilities for Pedestrians & Bicycles	NPS	NPS- Lowell National Historical Park	TBD	TBD- Requested State DOT Delivery	City of Lowell
Safety Enhancements and Structural Rehabilitation of Elm St Garage	Vehicular parking areas	NPS	NPS- New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park	TBD	Alger Co Road Commission	City of New Bedford

*This information is an overview of the FLAP projects information. It is subject to change at any time. For additional details or clarifications, please contact the Federal Lands Highway Division offices or visit the State FLAP webpage.