

Appendix A - Access Program Screening Process



Eastern Federal Lands Highway Division

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Project Screening and Rating Criteria for General Projects

Instructions: If the answer is yes to criteria below, then allocate points. Points are cumulative.

**First two “Base” criteria shall have points, otherwise project does not move forward to Step 2 (Rating Criteria).

STEP 1: INITIAL SCREENING (max 200 points)		Point allocation	
Economic/Visitation Prioritization			
Do FLMA, StateDOT, and Facility Owner agree that the project is an economic/visitation generator?		45	
Do FLMA, StateDOT, and Facility Owner agree that the project is a priority?		45	
Is Project on current State Transportation Improvement Program?		10	
Base**			
Submitted by facility owner**		40	
Project supported by FLMA**		40	
20% Match		No points	
Leveraging additional funding more than the required 20% match	20% match + (1-10)% of project cost	5	
	20% match + (11-20)% of project cost	10	
	20% match + (21)% of project cost	20	
STEP 2: PROJECT RATING (max 100 points)			
General Projects		Point allocation	
Safety (Max 15 points)			
Improves identified high crash site/identified hazardous conditions	0	No	
	5	Yes	
Improves safety for all transportation modes	0	No Benefit	
	5	Minor Benefit	
	10	Significant Benefit	
Accessibility and Mobility (Max 20 points)			
Identified need on FLMA plan, State or County Comprehensive Plan	0	No	
	5	Yes	
Fills missing link in network & enhances mobility	0	No	
	5	Yes	
Improves alternate transportation mode choices (bike, pedestrian, bus/transit)	0	No	
	10	Yes	

Preservation (Max 25 points)		
Enhances natural and scenic resources	0	No Benefit
	3	Minor Benefit
	5	Significant Benefit
Enhances cultural and historic areas	0	No Benefit
	3	Minor Benefit
	5	Significant Benefit
Reduces operating costs	0	No Benefit
	3	Minor Benefit
	7.5	Significant Benefit
Enhances surface condition	0	No Benefit
	3	Minor Benefit
	7.5	Significant Benefit
Economic Development (Max 20 points)		
Increases Visitation	0	No Benefit
	3	Minor Benefit
	7.5	Significant Benefit
Improves access to Federal Lands	0	No Benefit
	3	Minor Benefit
	5	Significant Benefit
Provides Economic Benefit to the Local Community	0	No Benefit
	3	Minor Benefit
	7.5	Significant Benefit
Environmental Quality and Sustainability (Max 20 points)		
Enhances water quality, fish passage, wildlife connectivity etc.	0	No Benefit
	3	Minor Benefit
	7.5	Significant Benefit
Reduces pollution (air, water, noise, visual)	0	No Benefit
	3	Minor Benefit
	5	Significant Benefit
Consistency with an applicable Land Management Plan	0	Not Consistent
	3	Mostly Consistent
	7.5	Consistent
TOTAL MAXIMUM POINTS (cumulative) = 300		

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Project Screening and Rating Criteria for Studies and Assessments

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STEP 1: INITIAL SCREENING (max 200 points)		Point allocation	
Economic/Visitation Prioritization			
Do FLMA, State DOT, and Facility Owner agree that the project is an economic/visitation generator?		45	
Do FLMA, State DOT, and Facility Owner agree that the project is a priority?		45	
Is Project on current State Transportation Improvement Plan?		10	
Base**			
Submitted by facility owner**		40	
Project supported by FLMA**		40	
20% Match		No points	
Leveraging additional funding more than the required 20% match	20% match + (1-10)% of project cost	5	
	20% match + (11-20)% of project cost	10	
	20% match + (21)% of project cost	20	
STEP 2: PROJECT RATING (max 100 points)			
Studies and Assessments		Point allocation	
Safety (Max 15 points)			
Improves identified high crash site/identified hazardous conditions	0	No	
	5	Yes	
Improves safety for all transportation modes	0	No Benefit	
	5	Minor Benefit	
	10	Significant Benefit	
Accessibility and Mobility (Max 20 points)			
Identified need on FLMA plan, State or County Comprehensive Plan	0	No	
	5	Yes	
Fills missing link in network & enhances mobility	0	No	
	5	Yes	
Improves alternate transportation mode choices (bike, pedestrian, bus/transit)	0	No	
	10	Yes	

Preservation (Max 25 points)		
Enhances natural and scenic resources	0	No Benefit
	3	Minor Benefit
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Improves access to Federal Lands	0	No Benefit
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Provides Economic Benefit to the Local Community	0	No Benefit
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	7.5	Significant Benefit
Environmental Quality and Sustainability (Max 20 points)		
Enhances water quality, fish passage, wildlife connectivity etc.	0	No Benefit
	3	Minor Benefit
	7.5	Significant Benefit
Reduces pollution (air, water, noise, visual)	0	No Benefit
	3	Minor

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		Benefit
	5	Significant Benefit
Consistency with an applicable Land Management Plan	0	Not Consistent
	3	Mostly Consistent
	7.5	Consistent
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