

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
<b>Economic/Visitation Prioritization</b>		
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
<b>Base**</b>		
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
<b>Safety (Max 30 points)</b>		
Improves identified crash site		5
Improves identified hazardous conditions in Road Safety Audit (RSA)/Engineering Assessment		5
Improves safety for wide range of users		20
<b>Accessibility and Mobility (Max 20 points)</b>		
Identified route connected to a FLMA inventory route		5
Identified need on FLMA plan, State or County Comprehensive Plan		5
Fills missing link in network, removes travel restriction, bottleneck		5
Improves mode choice, explores and enhances transit systems (i.e. operation and maintenance of transit facilities)		5
<b>Preservation (Max 20 points)</b>		
Improves National Bridge Inventory System (NBIS) deficient bridge rating		5
Improves surface condition		5

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Reduces operating costs	5
Enhances scenic and historic areas	5
<b>Economic Development (Max 10 points)</b>	
Attracts Visitation	3
Increases/improves access to FLMA unit/area	3
Provides Economic Benefit to the Local Community	4
<b>Environmental Quality and Sustainability (Max 20 points)</b>	
Improves water quality, fish passage and wildlife connectivity	5
Reduces erosion, scour, and/or sedimentation	5
Provides bicycle or pedestrian opportunities	10
<b>TOTAL MAXIMUM POINTS (cumulative) = 300</b>	

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#### Project Screening and Rating Criteria for Studies and Assessments

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

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STEP 1: INITIAL SCREENING (max 200 points)		Point allocation
<b>Economic/Visitation Prioritization</b>		
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
<b>Base**</b>		
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
<b>STEP 2: PROJECT RATING (max 100 points)</b>		
<b>Studies and Assessments</b>		<b>Point allocation</b>
<b>Safety (Max 30 points)</b>		
Will address issues related to safety		15
Will consider safety for all users (pedestrians, bicycles, motor vehicles)		15
<b>Accessibility and Mobility (Max 25 points)</b>		
Will consider issues related to traffic congestion		10
Will address mode choice, explore and enhance transit systems (i.e. operation and maintenance of transit facilities)		15
<b>Economic Development (Max 20 points)</b>		
Considers ways of attracting visitation		8
Addresses more than one FLMA		4
Provides Economic Benefit to the Local Community		8
<b>Environmental Quality and Sustainability (Max 25 points)</b>		
Addresses water quality, fish passage and wildlife connectivity		5
Addresses erosion, scour, and/or sedimentation issues		5
Addresses bicycle or pedestrian opportunities		15