

Appendix A - Access Program Screening Process



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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
<b>STEP 2: PROJECT RATING (max 100 points)</b>		
<b>General Projects</b>		<b>Point allocation</b>
<b>Safety 30 points max</b>		
Improves identified crash site		10
Provides low cost systematic safety improvements		10
Improves bridge sufficiency		5
Improves safety for wide range of users (including other modes of travel)		5
<b>Accessibility and Mobility 20 points max</b>		
Increases/improves access to FLMA unit/area		5
Improves mode choices (i.e. bike, pedestrian, transit)		5
Fills missing link in network, removes travel restriction, reduces congestion		5
Removes posted/closed bridge, height restrictions or bottlenecks		5

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<b>Preservation 20 points max</b>	
Improves surface condition- prolongs asset life with substandard or poor rating	5
Reduces operating costs	5
Enhances/Preserves scenic and/or historic areas	10
<b>Economic Development 10 points max</b>	
Attracts Visitation/tourism/recreation	5
Provides Economic Benefit to the Local Community/increased employment	5
<b>Environmental Quality and Sustainability 20 points max</b>	
Improves water quality, fish passage and wildlife connectivity	5
Mitigates landslides/wetlands/flooding Reduces erosion, scour, and/or sedimentation	5
Improves air quality	5
Promotes use of alternative fuels	5
<b>TOTAL MAXIMUM POINTS (cumulative) = 300</b>	

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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
<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
STEP 2: PROJECT RATING (max 100 points)		
Studies and Assessments		Point allocation
<b>Safety 30 points max</b>		
Will address issues related to safety		10
Will consider safety for all users (pedestrians, bicycles, motor vehicles)		20
<b>Accessibility and Mobility 30 points max</b>		
Will consider issues related to traffic congestion		10
Will explore/address mode choices (promote bike/pedestrian/transit opportunities)		10
Will enhance existing transit systems (i.e. operation and maintenance of transit facilities)		5
Will address missing link/travel restriction/bottleneck in network		5
<b>Economic Development 20 points max)</b>		
Considers ways of attracting/promoting visitation		10
Proposes access to significant amount of FLMA or more than one FLMA		5
Proposes Economic Benefit to the Local Community (i.e. increase employment)		5

<b>Environmental Quality and Sustainability 20 points max</b>	
Addresses water quality and/or air quality	5
Will consider purchase or easement of additional lands	5
Will consider fish passage and wildlife connectivity	5
Will consider use of alternative fuels	5
<b>TOTAL MAXIMUM POINTS (cumulative) = 300</b>	