



Eastern Federal Lands Highway Division

Access Program

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**		Point Allocation
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 (Act 114) (100 Potential Points)		
General Project		Point Allocation
Safety (Max 25 points)		
Base on Crash rate/Cost-Benefit		25
Accessibility and Mobility (Max 25 points) DOES NOT TOTAL 25 POINTS		
Is project improving a congested route (LOS D or worse)		10
Is project serving a primary access route to federal lands property (primary route considered a main gateway for traffic destined to federal lands property) 10 points		10
Is project serving a secondary access route to federal lands property (secondary route considered as subordinate access for traffic destined to federal lands property) 5 points		
Is project Multi-Modal		5
Economic Development (Max 15 points) (Input from FLMAs) Select 1 option below		
High Impact Potential (travel benefits/positive? economic impact)= 15 points; Moderate Impact Potential = 10 points; Low Impact Potential = 5 points		15
Environmental Quality and Sustainability (Max 15 points)		
Low Impact Potential to environmental/cultural resources = 15 points; Moderate Impact Potential = 10 points; High Impact Potential = 5 points		15

Con't STEP 2: PROJECT RATING (Act 114)	
General Projects	Point allocation
Truck Traffic (Max 10 points)	
Greater than 10% of ADT Application does not break out Truck traffic in ADT	10
Pavement Quality (Max 10 points) (Based on SCDOT PQI score)	
Pavement Condition: Very poor = 10; Poor = 8; Fair = 6; Good = 4; Very Good = 2	10
*Bridge Condition (Max 10 points) Select 1 option below	
Poor	10
Fair	5

*For proposed bridge projects, the bridge condition points will be used in lieu of the pavement quality points. All other projects will be scored using the pavement quality criteria.

-Actual ACT 114 prioritization will be used when candidate applications are of the same project type, i.e. all pavement, bridge, or safety, etc.

Project Screening and Rating Criteria for Studies

STEP 1: INITIAL SCREENING (Max 200 points)		
(Use original FHWA screening criteria and factor rating scores)		
Base		Point Allocation
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	15
Studies and Assessments (100 Potential Points)		Point allocation
Safety (25 points)		
Will address issues related to safety		15
Will consider safety for all users (pedestrians, bicycles, motor vehicles)		10
Accessibility and Mobility (25 points)		
Will consider issues related to traffic congestion		15
Will address mode choice, explore and enhance transit systems (i.e. operation and maintenance of transit facilities)		10
Economic Development (25 points)		
Considers ways of attracting visitation		15
Provides Economic Benefit to the Local Community		10
Environmental Quality and Sustainability (25 points)		
Addresses water quality, fish passage and wildlife connectivity		10
Addresses erosion, scour, and/or sedimentation issues		10
Addresses bicycle or pedestrian opportunities		5