



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 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)		
General Projects		Point allocation
Safety (Max 15 points)		
Improves identified crash site		10
Provides safety benefit for all users		5
Accessibility and Mobility(Max 20 points)		
Identified need on FHWA, State County, or other Comprehensive Plan		10
Fills missing link in network, removes travel restriction, bottleneck		10
Preservation (Max 30 points)		
Improves NBIS deficient bridge rating or other drainage structure		15
Improves surface condition		15
Economic Development (Max 15 points)		
Attracts Visitation		15
Environmental Quality and Sustainability (Max 20 points)		
Reduces erosion, scour, and/or sedimentation		5
Provides bicycle or pedestrian opportunities		10
Enhances scenic and/or historic features		5
TOTAL MAXIMUM POINTS (cumulative) = 300		



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Project Screening and Rating Criteria for Studies and Assessments

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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 20 points)		
Address issues related to safety		10
Consider safety for all users		10
Accessibility and Mobility (Max 30 points)		
Will consider issues related to all modes of traffic access		30
Economic Development (Max 25 points)		
Considers ways of attracting visitation		20
Addresses more than one FLMA		5
Environmental Quality and Sustainability (Max 25 points)		
Addresses water quality, fish passage and wildlife connectivity		5
Addresses erosion, scour, and/or sedimentation issues		5
Addresses bicycle or pedestrian opportunities		15
TOTAL MAXIMUM POINTS (cumulative) = 300		