

Appendix A - Access Program Screening Process



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**		
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 30 (Max 30 points)		
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
Accessibility and Mobility 10 (Max 10 points)		
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
Preservation 30 (Max 30 points)		
Improves National Bridge Inventory System (NBIS) deficient bridge rating		10
Improves surface condition		10
Enhances scenic and historic areas		10

Economic Development 10 (Max 10 points)	
Attracts Visitation	5
Provides Economic Benefit to the Local Community	5
Environmental Quality and Sustainability 20 (5-20 p)	
Improves water quality, fish passage and wildlife connectivity	5
Reduces erosion, scour, and/or sedimentation	10
Provides bicycle or pedestrian opportunities	5
TOTAL MAXIMUM POINTS (cumulative) = 300	

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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.

**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, 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 30 (5-30 points)		
Will address issues related to safety		*
Will consider safety for all users (pedestrians, bicycles, motor vehicles)		*
Accessibility and Mobility 25 (5-25 points)		
Will consider issues related to traffic congestion		*
Will address mode choice, explore and enhance transit systems (i.e. operation and maintenance of transit facilities)		*
Economic Development 20 (5-20 points)		
Considers ways of attracting visitation		*
Addresses more than one FLMA		*
Provides Economic Benefit to the Local Community		*
Environmental Quality and Sustainability 25 (5-25 points)		
Addresses water quality, fish passage and wildlife connectivity		*
Addresses erosion, scour, and/or sedimentation issues		*
Addresses bicycle or pedestrian opportunities		*
TOTAL MAXIMUM POINTS (cumulative) = 300		

