



To:

Federal Land Management Agencies
North Dakota DOT
State Agencies
Regional, County, and Local Governments
Tribal Governments

Request for Project Applications

North Dakota Federal Lands Access Program

The Federal Lands Access Program (FLAP) presents an exciting opportunity for improvements to state, county, tribal, and local government owned or maintained transportation facilities that provide access to, are adjacent to, or are located within Federal lands.

The North Dakota Programming Decisions Committee (PDC) is currently soliciting Project Applications to develop the Federal Fiscal Year 2024 to 2026 program of transportation projects. The estimated federal program funding availability is approximately \$3- \$4 million dollars.

Deadline for submittals: June 23, 2021

Link to Project Application: <https://highways.dot.gov/federal-lands/programs-access/nd>

Eligibility

- Any State, County, Local Government or Tribe that owns or maintains a public transportation facility providing access to Federal lands.
- The project proposes improvement to any public highway, road, bridge, trail or transit system located on or adjacent to Federal lands, typically no farther than 10 miles away.
 - Federal lands are lands in the United States owned by the Federal government. Land leased to a Federal Land Management Agency is not eligible
 - Tribal roads maintained by the tribe are eligible, but the roadway must access Federal lands other than tribal (i.e. a NPS, FWS site, etc.).
- Commit to the minimum 19.07% match requirements.
 - Hard match (cash) is preferred.
 - Other United States Code Title 23 and 49 funds cannot be used as match, except for:
 - Federal Lands Transportation Program (FLTP)
 - Tribal Transportation Program (TTP)
 - See the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) for additional information on match, including in-kind allowances.
- Confirm support from the Federal Land Management Agency (FLMA) site the project accesses.
- Must meet the project eligibility under U.S.C. Title 23 such as:
 - Rehabilitation / Restoration / Construction / Reconstruction Projects
 - Engineering and Environmental Compliance
 - Operation & Maintenance of Transit Facilities
 - Planning & Research related to Transportation

Project Preference

Per legislation, preference must be given to transportation facilities providing access to Federal high-use recreation sites and economic generators.

Applicant Information Webinars:

Not mandatory, but encouraged to attend one.

- Thursday, March 4, 2021; 11:30AM-1PM Mountain/12:30PM-2PM Central
- Wednesday, March 10, 2021; 1PM-2:30PM Mountain/2PM-3:30PM Central

Participation Details:

Web Room: <https://connectdot.connectsolutions.com/cflaccess/>

Call Number: 1-888-684-8852; Passcode: 597 5020

NOTE: All webinars cover the same material. No pre-registration is required.

North Dakota Programming Decisions Committee (PDC):

- James Herlyck, Federal Lands Access Program Manager, FHWA-CFLHD
- Bryon Fuchs, Local Government Division, NDDOT
- Terry Traynor, Executive Director, North Dakota Association of Counties

Program Contact Information:

Questions about the application process or the Federal Lands Access Program can be directed to:

- Laurie Miskimins, FHWA-CFLHD Transportation Planner, (720) 963-3455, laurie.miskimins@dot.gov
- James Herlyck, FHWA-CFLHD Federal Lands Access Program Manager, (720) 963-3698, james.herlyck@dot.gov

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Tentative Schedule*:

Phase	Applicant Action Items
<p>Call for Projects Open for Submittals: <i>February 2021-June 2021</i></p>	<p>Prepare and submit applications. Coordinate with FLMA sponsor. See checklist at https://highways.dot.gov/federal-lands/programs-access/nd to ensure submittal includes all required forms and supporting materials.</p> <p>Final Date to Submit: June 23, 2021</p>
<p>PDC & FLMA Review of Application: <i>Summer 2021</i></p>	<p>Respond to requests from PDC for additional clarification to assist in review.</p>
<p>Project Selection & Applicant Notification: <i>Fall 2021</i></p>	<p>Applicant is notified of selection or non-selection. Shortlisted applicants execute Funds Transfer Agreement and Memorandum of Agreement within 45 days, and make payment of matching funds within 30 days of invoice.</p>
<p>Scoping of Short-listed Projects: <i>Fall 2021-Summer 2022</i></p>	<p>Engage with FHWA-CFLHD in scoping, including providing requested documents and information. Typically, a site visit and meetings will occur.</p>
<p>Final Program Decisions: <i>Fall 2022</i></p>	<p>Selected applicants execute Funds Transfer Agreement and Memorandum of Agreement within 60 days of notification.</p>
<p>Project Implementation <i>Preliminary Engineering and Environmental Clearance 2022 and beyond</i> <i>Construction 2024 - 2026</i></p>	<p>Assign project representative to coordinate with FHWA-CFLHD throughout project. Make payment of matching funds per the schedule in the Funds Transfer Agreement</p>

* All dates except the Call for Projects Final Date to Submit are approximate. See website for updates.

How do I submit a project application?

1. Complete the North Dakota Federal Lands Access Program Application found at <https://highways.dot.gov/federal-lands/programs-access/nd>
2. Obtain endorsement from the appropriate Federal Land Management Agency (FLMA)
3. Send your completed project application via E-Mail to cfl.planning@dot.gov

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 FHWA-CFLHD

Attachments:

Call for Projects Brochure
 Frequently Asked Questions