

Appendix A - Access Program Screening Process



Eastern Federal Lands Highway Division

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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
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 (Max 15 points)		
Improves identified hazardous conditions in Road Safety Audit (RSA)/Engineering Assessment		10
Improves safety for wide range of users		5
Accessibility and Mobility (Max 20 points)		
Identified need on FLMA plan, State or County Comprehensive Plan		10
Fills missing link in network, removes travel restriction, bottleneck		10
Preservation (Max 30 points)		
Improves National Bridge Inventory System (NBIS) deficient bridge rating		15
Improves surface condition		15
Economic Development (Max 15 points)		
Increases/improves access to FLMA unit/area		5
Provides Economic Benefit to the Local Community		10

Environmental Quality and Sustainability (Max 20 points)	
Enhances scenic and/or historic features	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

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