

Appendix A - Access Program Screening Process



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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 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 30 (5-30 points)		
Improves identified crash site		10
Improves identified hazardous conditions in Road Safety Audit (RSA)/Engineering Assessment		10
Improves safety for wide range of users		10
Accessibility and Mobility 20 (5-20 points)		
Identified route connected to a FLMA inventory route		2
Identified need on FLMA plan, State or County Comprehensive Plan		6
Fills missing link in network, removes travel restriction, bottleneck		2
Improves mode choice, explores and enhances transit systems (i.e. operation and maintenance of transit facilities)		10
Preservation 20 (5-20 points)		
Improves National Bridge Inventory System (NBIS) deficient bridge rating		10
Improves surface condition		10

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Economic Development 10 (5-10 points)	
Increases/improves access to FLMA unit/area	3
Provides Economic Benefit to the Local Community	7
Environmental Quality and Sustainability 20 (5-20 p)	
Improves water quality, fish passage and wildlife connectivity	5
Reduces erosion, scour, and/or sedimentation	5
Provides bicycle or pedestrian opportunities	10
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.

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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 30 (5-30 points)		
Will address issues related to safety		15
Will consider safety for all users (pedestrians, bicycles, motor vehicles)		15
Accessibility and Mobility 25 (5-25 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 20 (5-20 points)		
Considers ways of attracting visitation		5
Addresses more than one FLMA		5
Provides Economic Benefit to the Local Community		10
Environmental Quality and Sustainability 25 (5-25 points)		
Addresses water quality, fish passage and wildlife connectivity		5
Addresses erosion, scour, and/or sedimentation issues		10
Addresses bicycle or pedestrian opportunities		10
TOTAL MAXIMUM POINTS (cumulative) = 300		