

California Access Program Project Application

General Information:

The Programming Decisions Committee (PDC) of the California Federal Lands Access Program will review project applications and rank them based on weighted selection criteria developed by the PDC. The selection criteria are reflective of needs in the state of California and Federal Lands Access Program Implementation Guidance.

It is important to note that the top ranked project is not guaranteed funding and the approved list of projects will be agreed upon by the PDC. Project approval resides with the PDC. The PDC will select a balanced program made up of some large projects with smaller projects used to maximize funding and address critical needs. Access Program funds are eligible for construction, rehabilitation, or reconstruction and are not intended for maintenance (chip seal, potholes, etc.) projects. This Call for Projects will program approximately \$50 - \$75 million from 2015 - 2019 depending on program needs.

California Access Program projects require a minimum non-federal match of 11.47%. For Applicants of proposed projects located within non-MPO Rural Regional Transportation Planning Agency (RTPA) Areas, as identified in the [2013 CA MPO RTPA Areas Map](#), the project is eligible for the use of toll credits in lieu of minimum match. Additionally, for non-State Agency Applicants an *Access Program Resolution* is required from the applicant's Governing Body that must include:

- a) Certification that governing body will provide sufficient maintenance funding for a period of 20 years or the life of constructed facility, whichever is greater.
- b) Commitment that governing body will endorse that funds are or will be made available, and identify timing of availability
- c) Delegated authority to Applicant to authorize execution of maximum \$10,000 Reimbursable Agreement within 15 days of project short-list notification
- d) For Non-MPO Rural RTPA Area Applicants utilizing toll credits in lieu of minimum match, please indicate amount of toll credits requested.

By submission of an application the Applicant is acknowledging the match requirement and indicating that these non-federal funds are available (Project Endorsement Form-page 11). If the project is short-listed, the Applicant will be expected to enter into a maximum \$10,000 Reimbursable Agreement within 15 days for the completion of project scoping by Central Federal Lands that will result in more accurate project scope, schedule and budget. If the PDC and the applicant agree with the project scope and cost, then a subsequent project Reimbursable Agreement will be required within 90 days from approval of funding.

Instructions:

Applications must be received by **January 30, 2015** to be considered.

1. All project applications must be submitted using the California Access Program Project Application form. Complete the project application to the best of your ability. It is the responsibility of the entity proposing a project to supply the necessary information to complete the project application. It is understood that data may not be available for all of the project application questions, but the agency may use anecdotal information as a substitute. If possible, please keep this form as a writable PDF form, this makes it easier to review your application -this can be done by saving your your form as a PDF and attaching it within an e-mail along with all additional attachments. Additional supplemental materials including alternative transportation, endorsement, resolution and support forms can be printed and scanned then attached if necessary. **NOTE: The total of all attachments must not exceed 15MB. This includes all photos, PDF forms, and other attachments. Using a zip application may help reduce file sizes but it is the responsibility of the sending party to ensure their file has successfully transmitted (not getting stuck in the e-mail "outbox").** A confirmation e-mail regarding receipt of the application will be sent within 3 business days.
2. Complete Project Application, Signature Forms and obtain Letters of Support (FLMA) and Resolution (Governing Body)
3. E-mail your completed application package to cfl.planning@dot.gov

If you are considering this application for your project and would like assistance in completing this form, contact:

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Additional information on the Access Program is located at www.cflhd.gov/programs/flap/ca

Project Application Evaluation Checklist:

- The facility title or maintenance responsibility is vested in a State, county, city, tribal, or local government
- Acknowledgement that the project has minimum non-federal required match
- Acknowledgement that facility is located on, is adjacent to, or provides direct access to Federal land(s)
- Signed [Applicant Project Endorsement Form](#)
- Signed [Support Form](#) from applicable Federal Land Management Agency
- Signed Access Program Resolution (non-State Agencies) - Governing body endorses project and delegates authority for use of Reimbursable Agreement