



Call for Projects Webinar

Freight Mobility Strategic Investment Board

February 13, 2014

Call for Projects Timeline



- Call for Projects Initiated: February 3, 2014
- Submittals due: March 14, 2014
- Preliminary Selection: April 28, 2014
- Project Interviews: May 19, 2014
- Final List Adoption: May 30, 2014

Available Funding



- \$12-\$14M biennium
- Six year horizon
- Future transportation funding

Eligibility: Sponsoring Agencies



- Cities
- Counties
- Ports
- WSDOT

Threshold Criteria



- Must be listed as part of a state or regional plan*
- Must be on a strategic freight corridor:
 - Serves international and domestic interstate and intrastate trade;
 - Enhances the state's competitive position through regional and global gateways;
 - Carries freight tonnages of at least:
 - Four million gross tons annually on state highways, city streets, and county roads;
 - Five million gross tons annually on railroads; or
 - Two and one-half million net tons on waterways.

Website: <http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/Freight/FGTS/>

*(project proposal can be submitted prior to inclusion of a state or regional plan)

Project Priority Criteria



Summary of Evaluation Criteria:

	Weight
Freight Mobility for the Project Area	35 Maximum
Freight Mobility for the Region, State, & Nation	35 Maximum
General Mobility	25 Maximum
Safety	20 Maximum
Freight & Economic Value	15 Maximum
Environment	20 Maximum
Partnership	25 Maximum
Consistency with Regional & State Plans	5 Maximum
Cost	10 Maximum
Special Issues	<u>8 Maximum</u>
Total:	198 points

Project Priority Criteria



Freight Mobility for the Project Area 35 points

- Reduce truck, train, or rail car delays 0-25
- Increase capacity for peak truck or train movement 0-10

Project Priority Criteria



Freight Mobility for the Region, State, & Nation 35 points

- Importance to the regional freight system & regional economy 0-10
- Importance to state freight system & state economy 0-10
- Direct access to ports or international border 0-10
- Provide a corridor/system solution 0-5

Project Priority Criteria



General Mobility

25 points

- Reduce vehicular traffic travel time/delay 0-10
- Reduce queuing & backups 0-7
- Reduce delay from use of alternative railroad crossing 0-5
- Address urban principal arterials
 - Urban principal arterial 3
 - Otherwise 0

Project Priority Criteria



Safety

20 points

- Reduce railroad crossing accidents 0-5
- Reduce non-railroad crossing accident 0-5
- Provide emergency vehicle access
 - Essential access route 5
 - Otherwise 0
- Close additional related railroad crossings
 - 2 or more additional crossing closures 5
 - 1 additional crossing closure 3
 - No crossing closures 0

Project Priority Criteria



Freight and Economic Value

15 points

Benefit mainline rail operations

- High

5

- Moderate

3

- Minimal

1

- Negligible

0

Access to key employment areas

0-5

Support faster train movements

0-5

Project Priority Criteria



<u>Environment</u>	<u>20 points</u>
Reduce vehicle emissions	0-5
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 1.0 x delay in attainment area• 1.5 x delay in non-attainment area	
Reduce train whistle noise in crossing vicinity (number of sensitive receptor sites)	0-5
Diesel Emission Reduction – How project will improve air quality and/or carbon footprint	0-5
Does sponsor have adopted policy to reduce greenhouse gas emissions	0 or 5

Project Priority Criteria



Partnership

25 points

Matching Funds (35% minimum match is required)

20 max.

- Public sector participation (1 point for every 4% of match)
- Private sector participation (1 point for every 2% of match)

Critical timing of partner investments

0-5

Project Priority Criteria



Consistency with Regional & State Plans

5 points

- Regional transportation plan
- State level transportation plan
- Not in regional or state transportation plan

3

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0

Project Priority Criteria



Cost 10 points

- Cost effectiveness (benefit/project cost) 0-7
- Degree to which least-cost alternatives are considered 0-3

Special Issues 8 points

- Address special or unique circumstances not otherwise addressed 0-8

Selection Process



- Scoring:
 - Technical Team
 - Board Team
- Project Presentations
- Board Selection

Final Award and Board Practices



- Award Letter:
 - Dollar amount (ceiling)
 - Percentage amount (shared savings)

- Percentage match:
 - 35% minimum
 - 50% is typical
 - Direct match
 - LID's
 - Loans

Project Definitions



- Corridors:
 - Separate components
- Right of Way
- Studies

#66 Vancouver Port Rail Access Trench



- Concrete rail trench in the Columbia River - tie-in to mainline
- \$38.34 M phase – Groundbreaking 8/12
- FMSIB \$6.3 M

#49 M Street Auburn



M Street Before....



M Street After.....



- Grade Separation of BNSF Stampede line
- \$22.40 M project cost FMSIB \$6 M

82 River Road Improvements – 6th Avenue to 16th Avenue



- Widening and improved alignment of River Road
- Improved access to new cold storage facilities
- \$1.42 M project \$.64 M FMSIB

Questions?



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