



TRIANGLE WEST
Transportation Planning Organization

FY27 Locally Administered Projects Program (LAPP)

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Call for Projects

Schedule



Call for Projects

Timeline

- January 1st – 30th : Project applications with all supporting materials due to TPO staff
- February/March: TPO Staff scores projects and develops funding recommendations
- April 14: Scores and funding recommendation published along with TC agenda
- April 28: TPO Board releases funding recommendation for a 30-day public comment period
- June 9: TC provides a recommendation to the Board on LAP funding recommendation
- June 23: TPO Board approves LAP projects to be programmed into the STIP

Programming Timeline

- June 23: TPO Board approves LAP projects to be programmed into the STIP & releases TIP Amendment #4 for public comment
- August 25: TPO Board approves TIP Amendment #4
- October: NC Board of Transportation approves the Item N handout that includes updates from our Amendment #4
 - Municipal agreements will not be approved until project details are in the STIP



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Eligibility Requirements



1. Federal Aid Eligible

- FHWA helps evaluate this during pre-submittal
- Each funding source has separate eligibility requirements (BG/TAP/CMAQ)
- Bicycle and pedestrian projects that serve a transportation purpose (as opposed to a recreational-loop purpose) are eligible.
- Transit projects that encourage the development, improvement and use of public mass transportation systems are eligible.

2. Locally Administered

- By applying, the applicant is committing to locally manage the project.
- The sponsor will be responsible for all federal and state reporting requirements.
- There will also be reporting twice a year required by per the Federal Funding Policy
- An inter-local agreement will be required between NCDOT and the project sponsor.
- Local sponsors will be required to front all project costs, invoice NCDOT, and get reimbursed for the agreed upon federal percentage.

3. MTP Compliant

The project must be identified in the currently adopted MTP or another locally adopted plan that has been adopted by a governing body or board.

4. LAPP-Eligible Project Phase (by fiscal year of obligation)

- NEPA / Design (beyond 30% plans)
- Land or Right-of-Way Acquisition
- Construction (including environmental mitigation and utility relocation)
- Transit Capital Projects
- Travel Demand Management Projects, coordinated through Central Pines Regional Council(CPRC) TDM Program
- Utilities
- Construction, Engineering, and Inspection (CEI)

5. Minimum Match Committed

- Applicants must provide a local match of 20% as required by the federal funding source assigned to their project
- Applicants must identify the source of their local matching funds
- The local match should be clearly identified in the project budget



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Submitting Applications



Application Requirements

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Microsoft Form for either supplemental funding or new funding

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Supporting Documentation (Budget & Scheduling)

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GIS Shapefiles

Project Caps

Agency	Active Project Cap	Current Active Projects
City of Durham	20	16
Town of Chapel Hill	15	9
Orange County	15	1
GoTriangle	15	4
Durham County	15	0
Town of Carrboro	10	8
CPRC	10	1
Chatham County	10	1
Town of Hillsborough	10	1

Funding Caps

Individual Project Maximum (40% of RFF): \$ 12,079,200

Agency Request Maximum (65% of RFF): \$ 19,628,700

Funding Awarded Outside of Call

Agency	Project	Funding Amount
Town of Hillsborough	HL-0045: Exchange Park Lane	\$195,000
Town of Carrboro	C-5181: Jones Creek Greenway	\$500,000
Orange County	BL-0139: Transit Access Sidewalk	\$160,000
City of Durham	EB-5904: Durham Rail Trail	\$1,056,000

Agency	Project	Funding Amount	Reason Additional Funds Not Counted Against Agency
Town of Carrboro/Town of Chapel Hill	BL-0044: NC 54	\$543,000	To encourage collaboration on multi-jurisdictional projects.
City of Durham	TL-0065: Electric Bus Purchases	\$1,726,000	Programming was initiated by the TPO to obligate CRP-DA funds before they are rescinded.
City of Durham	BL-0063: Horton Road Sidewalks	\$1,494,333	Funding was promised from a previous Call for Projects.



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Funding Availability



Funding for this Call

Funding Type	Amount From Past Years	Amount for FY27	Amount for FY28	Total Amounts
CMAQ	\$2,700,000	\$1,727,000	\$2,368,000	\$6,795,000
BGDA	\$13,194,000	\$1,723,000	\$7,126,000	\$22,043,000
TAP	\$0	\$531,000	\$829,000	\$1,360,000
Total	\$15,894,000	\$3,981,000	\$10,323,000	\$30,198,000

Eligibility Requirements

Block Grant Direct Attributable (BGDA)

- The most flexible of our funding sources
- For use on any federal-aid eligible highway, bridge, road, bicycle & pedestrian facility, or transit capital project
- Requires a 20% local match

Transportation Alternatives Direct Attributable (TADA)

- A subset of the Block Grant Program
- Primarily used for the construction of bicycle & pedestrian facilities
- Requires a 20% local match

Eligibility Requirements

Congestion Mitigation & Air Quality (CMAQ)

- Federal grant programs to fund transportation projects that reduce harmful emissions
- Eligible projects include, but is not limited to:
 - Sidewalks
 - Roundabouts
 - Congestion mitigation at intersections
 - Adding turn lanes

Direct Allocation vs Statewide

- Statewide money generally set aside for larger / multiple county projects or education/outreach
- Statewide CMAQ can be accessed under specific situations:
 - A small amount above your DA is needed to complete a project
 - A project within the MPO is part of a larger statewide effort
 - Project supplemental funding (inflation, outdate cost estimates, etc.)

Inability to Use Funds

In cases where an agency cannot secure a local match after two years of receiving RFF or there are egregious delays to using RFF, MPO staff will ask the MPO Board to make a recommendation about whether RFF should be withdrawn from a project and returned to the RFF pool. The two-year timeline begins once the MPO Board has approved project funding.





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Scoring Overview



Scoring New Projects

A maximum of 115 points may be awarded to a project based on the following criteria

- Connectivity (10 points)
 - Points are awarded based on the number of connecting bicycle and pedestrian facilities
 - Transit projects utilize the number of connections with other modes, routes, systems, or destinations
- Access to Transit (10 points)
 - Points are awarded based on proximity to fixed-route transit stops
- Population and Employment Density (10 points)
 - Relative points are awarded based on the population and employment densities within a half mile of the project
- Project Phase (30 points)
 - Points are awarded to prioritize projects that are in Construction/ROW

Scoring New Projects

- Local Priority (10 points)
 - The submitting agency may apply these points to projects of their choosing
- Environmental Justice and Equity (15 points)
 - Projects receive points based on the number of overlapping Communities of Concern
 - Transit projects receive a relative score based on demographic data from on-board surveys
- Safety (15 points)
 - Relative scores are awarded based on bicycle and pedestrian crash data
- Emission/VMT Reduction (15 points)
 - Relative scores are awarded based on emission reduction



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