TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM (TAP) - ROUND 3

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MAP-21 – MOVING AHEAD FOR PROGRESS IN THE 21ST CENTURY
Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act.

THE TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM (TAP)

• PURPOSE: PROVIDE FOR A VARIETY OF ALTERNATIVE TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS INCLUDING MANY THAT WERE PREVIOUSLY ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES UNDER SEPARATELY FUNDED PROGRAMS

• RECREATIONAL TRAILS IS NOW A SET-ASIDE OF TAP

• SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL IS NOW UNDER THE TAP PROGRAM
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ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES

NHDOT GOAL: FOCUS ALLOWABLE ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES TO MEET THE NON-MOTORIZED NEEDS OF THE STATE

• Construction, planning, and design of on-road and off-road trail facilities for pedestrians, bicyclists, and other non-motorized forms of transportation.

• Construction, planning, and design of infrastructure-related projects and systems that will provide safe routes for non-drivers, including children, older adults, and individuals with disabilities to access daily needs.

• Conversion and use of abandoned railroad corridors for trails for pedestrians, bicyclists, or other non-motorized transportation users.

• Eligible safe routes to school program infrastructure activities under §1404 of SAFETEA–LU
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TAP FUNDING DISTRIBUTION FOR FY2019 & FY2020
AMOUNTS SHOWN ARE FEDERAL $ AMOUNTS

TOTAL TAP FUNDS = $7.90M (FED$)

REC TRAIL SET-ASIDE = $2.53M (FED$)

AVAILABLE TAP FUNDS FOR NHDOT = $5.37M (FED$)

POPULATION AREAS UNDER 5,000
$1.14M

POPULATION AREAS 5,000 – 200,000
$0.91M

POPULATION AREAS > 200,000
$0.63M

FLEX – ANY AREA STATEWIDE
$2.69M
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NHDOT REQUIRED GUIDELINES

PROJECT COST ESTIMATES

- **MINIMUM PROJECT AMOUNT =** $400,000 Total $320,000 FED
- **MAXIMUM PROJECT AMOUNT =** $1,000,000 Total $800,000 FED

- **FUNDING RATIO:** 80% MAX FED SHARE 20% MIN LOCAL SHARE

PROJECT MILESTONES

KEY MILESTONES WILL BE SET FOR ALL FUNDED TAP PROJECTS, OR PROJECT WILL BE SUBJECT TO CANCELLATION

- BEGIN WORKING ON PROJECT
- ENGINEERING STUDY SUBMISSION
- PRELIMINARY PLAN SUBMISSION
- NOTICE TO PROCEED FOR FINAL DESIGN (NEPA APPROVAL)
- ADVERTISING
### 2018 TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM ROUND 3 SCHEDULE

- **June 4, 2018**: TAP round 3 open
- **Request a letter of interest from potential applicants**
- **July 9th**: TAP Applications released
- **July 13th**: Letter of Interest Due
- **July 23rd** through **August 24th**: Target dates for mandatory informational meetings
- **September 7th**: TAP Applications due
- **September 10th** through **September 21st**: Sort and process TAP Applications
- **September 24th** through **November 9th**: RPC’s meet with TACs to review and rank projects. DOT review eligibility and costs
- **November 9th**: RPC rankings due
- **November 12th** through **November 30th**: Scoring committee ranks projects
- **December 3rd**: Final ranking to Commissioner
- **December 21st**: Final approval by Commiss.
- **January 7th** through **January 18th**: Award letters sent
- **January 21st** through **March 29th**: G&C 2019
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3 STEP PROCESS

1) SUBMIT A LETTER OF INTEREST
2) ATTEND A 2 HOUR INFORMATIONAL SESSION
3) SUBMIT AN APPLICATION
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LETTER OF INTEREST

1) DESCRIBE PROPOSED PROJECT

2) GIVE AN APPROXIMATE COST OF PROPOSED PROJECT

3) IDENTIFY KNOWN RESOURCES
   • HISTORICAL
   • NATURAL
   • CONTAMINATION
   • WETLANDS

4) ATTACH A MAP CLEARLY SHOWING PROPOSED PROJECT
   • IDENTIFY ROADS, STATE ROUTES, RAILROADS, AIRPORTS
   • SHOW ALL FEATURES, WETLANDS, PARKS, URBAN AREAS
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LETTER OF INTEREST

DEADLINE IS 4:00PM JULY 13, 2018
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COMPETITIVE SELECTION PROCESS

NHDOT WILL USE A COMPETITIVE SELECTION PROCESS

THE TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES ADVISORY BOARD (TAPAC) SET CRITERIA AND WEIGHTINGS FOR THE TAP APPLICATIONS

A NEW SCORING COMMITTEE WILL BE CREATED AND NEW MEMBERS ADDED TO SCORE SUBMITTED PROJECTS USING THE ESTABLISHED CRITERIA AND WEIGHTING FOR THE 2018 TAP ROUND.
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<th>Criteria Name</th>
<th>Description</th>
<th>Weight</th>
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<td>Potential for Success</td>
<td>What are the factors that will indicate a project application's likeliness to succeed?</td>
<td>37%</td>
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<td>Project Readiness and Support</td>
<td>Is the project part of and local and regional plans and efforts, and has it been endorsed by local and regional bodies and advocacy groups? That is, did you build your case about the importance of this project to many constituents? eg - master plan, conservation commission, planning boards, other local groups, regional plans, RPC/TAC support</td>
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<td>Financial Readiness</td>
<td>Is there a written commitment to bring this project forward for approval of funds at town meeting, through capital reserve funds, through inclusion in the capital improvement plan, etc. or are there funds already raised/appropriated and dedicated to this project?</td>
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<td>Feasibility</td>
<td>The project application should address historic, cultural, environmental, maintenance and other related issues that may make impact the project's ability to succeed.</td>
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<td>Safety</td>
<td>The extent to which the project will improve safety conditions and/or reduce the perception of user stress as a result of the project being implemented.</td>
<td>27%</td>
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<td>Stress Analysis</td>
<td>Current stress level versus expected outcome based on straightforward format used by all applicants. Stress level will be based on a Scale for the applicant to document as part of the application process.</td>
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<td>Improve Safety Conditions</td>
<td>Improvement over existing safety conditions - are there very specific actions that are being taken to improve safety. What specific safety improvements will be made and if there is objective information (road safety audit, corridor study, etc) to support it, please provide it. No subjective information is to be created for this criteria.</td>
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<td>Project Connectivity - enable movement from origins to destinations</td>
<td>Does the project fill a vital gap in an existing phased plan, provide a standalone new facility that did not exist previously, and/or link different destinations together. Please quantify</td>
<td>18%</td>
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<td>Socioeconomic Benefits - providing access to and within community</td>
<td>The degree to which the project provides opportunities to enhance the quality of life and provide transportation options for under served communities. Will be based on economic need.</td>
<td>12%</td>
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<td>RPC/MPO Ranking</td>
<td>Prioritization results from RPC prioritization process - to be entered as a number score</td>
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Application

Scoring Process

• No public presentations will be done by applicants. Only information from the applications will be used to evaluate and rank projects.

• Answers from application form will be evaluated by a scoring committee to develop a final score.
Application

Scoring Process Continued

• Projects will be ranked from highest to lowest score

• Projects will be awarded until funding runs out

• Additional projects will be approved but not awarded

These (reserve projects) will be awarded if additional TAP funds become available prior to the next funding cycle.

NOTE: The Commissioner of NHDOT will make the final approval of TAP awards not the scoring committee.
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APPLICATION

DEADLINE IS 4:00PM SEPTEMBER 7, 2018
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QUESTIONS?

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