

PRE-APPLICATION CHECKLIST

All questions contained in this checklist are for infrastructure projects only and are to be completed in collaboration with the District TAP Coordinator.

PART 1: QUESTIONS

Applicant:			
Project Name:			
Project Manager:			
Contact Information for Project Manager:			
Is the applicant an eligible sponsor?			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Has the applicant previously completed a federal aid project?			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Does the applicant acknowledge that receipt of funds requires compliance with several federal and state requirements, including but not limited to wage, equal opportunity, and environmental requirements?			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
BICYCLE FACILITIES (IF APPLICABLE)			
Bicycle Facility description	<input type="checkbox"/> Shared use pathway <input type="checkbox"/> Sharrow <input type="checkbox"/> Striped bicycle lane <input type="checkbox"/> Widened shoulder <input type="checkbox"/> Other		
Width of pathway, bicycle lane, shoulder, etc.:		Length:	
Distance from curb (for pathways):			
Materials used:	<input type="checkbox"/> Asphalt <input type="checkbox"/> Concrete <input type="checkbox"/> Other		
Standards Used:	<input type="checkbox"/> AASHTO <input type="checkbox"/> Idaho State Public Works Construction <input type="checkbox"/> ITD <input type="checkbox"/> Local		
This project is:	<input type="checkbox"/> part of road widening <input type="checkbox"/> part of an existing road		
Are there any areas where the facility will narrow to accommodate trees, signs or other obstructions? If yes, explain:			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
What is the plan for maintaining the facility after construction is complete?			
Does your community normally require sidewalks or other pedestrian/bicycle improvements as a condition of subdivision or site plan approval? Explain:			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
PEDESTRIAN FACILITIES (IF APPLICABLE)			
Pedestrian Facility description	<input type="checkbox"/> Sidewalk <input type="checkbox"/> Sidewalk with curb and gutter <input type="checkbox"/> Pathway <input type="checkbox"/> Other		
Width of pathway, bicycle lane, shoulder, etc.:		Length:	
Distance from curb (for pathways):			
Materials used	<input type="checkbox"/> Asphalt <input type="checkbox"/> Concrete <input type="checkbox"/> Other		
Number of curb ramps:			
Standards Used:	<input type="checkbox"/> AASHTO <input type="checkbox"/> Idaho State Public Works Construction <input type="checkbox"/> ITD <input type="checkbox"/> Local		
This project is:	<input type="checkbox"/> part of road widening <input type="checkbox"/> part of an existing road		
Are there any areas where the facility will narrow to accommodate trees, signs or other obstructions? If yes, explain:			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
What is the plan for maintaining the facility after construction is complete?			

Does your community normally require sidewalks or other pedestrian/bicycle improvements as a condition of subdivision or site plan approval? Explain:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
RIGHT-OF-WAY		
Does the sponsor possess the necessary right-of-way to construct the project? If not, explain how right-of-way will be acquired.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Does the sponsor hold necessary easements to construct the project? If not, explain how easements will be obtained.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
ENVIRONMENTAL		
Is it apparent that the project will meet the environmental criteria for Categorical Exclusion?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Is it apparent that the proposed project will require extensive cultural clearance?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Is it apparent that supplemental environmental documentation will be required to support a Categorical Exclusion determination? For example: <input type="checkbox"/> Wetlands <input type="checkbox"/> Endangered Species <input type="checkbox"/> Other	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Is it apparent that the project will cause an adverse effect to environmental resources? If yes, explain:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Are there any permitting requirements for the project? If yes, explain:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
UTILITIES		
Is it apparent that the project will have utility conflicts? If yes, explain and identify affected utilities and how conflicts will be mitigated.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
IRRIGATION		
Is it apparent that the project will have crossings or conflicts with irrigation facilities? If yes, explain and identify affected irrigation facilities and how conflicts will be mitigated.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No

PART 2: FORMS

- A. Environmental Screening Form
- B. Right-of-Way Certification
- C. TAP: Project Estimating Worksheet (used during application process to establish initial estimate)
- D. ITD-1150: Project Cost Summary Sheet (for infrastructure projects and used during development stage)

Instructions:

1. Line 16 of this form is for Mobilization, calculated as a percentage of the construction items listed on Lines 3 through 14. It is up to the Applicant to determine the appropriate percentage for the project, but 5 to 10% would be considered typical.
2. Line 17 of this form is for Construction Engineering and Contingencies, calculated as a percentage of the construction items listed on Lines 3 through 14 and the Mobilization cost listed on Line 16. Again, it is up to the Applicant to determine the appropriate percentage for the project, but 15%

would be considered typical, with 10% allocated to Construction Engineering and 5% allocated to Contingencies.

- E. Cost Estimate for Non-Infrastructure Projects: Safe Routes to School (for safe routes to school non-infrastructure projects)
- F. Has a traffic safety issue been identified in this project application? If so, knowing if the applicants and/or their community based law enforcement partners are already working with the ITD Office of Highway Safety (OHS) traffic safety grant programs. If so, please provide project Key Number and verify that the Scope of Work for that project is primarily connected with the area in the TAP application.
- G. Project Schedule (for infrastructure projects)

PART 3: SUMMARY OF REQUIREMENTS FOR FEDERAL AID RECIPIENTS

Applicants should keep in mind that receipt of federal funds requires compliance with the following federal and state requirements (note: this is not an exhaustive list):

1. **Equal Opportunity** requirements (non-discrimination) for construction contracts in excess of \$10,000. The non-discrimination requirements apply to a wide range of project elements, including contracting opportunities. A non-discrimination agreement must be signed as part of the award process, and records must be kept to show compliance. Disadvantaged Business Entity (DBE) requirements might apply.
2. Minimum wage requirements (**Davis-Bacon Act**) and anti-kickback requirements (**Copeland Act**) for construction contracts in excess of \$2,000. Records must be kept to show compliance.
3. No use of federal funds for lobbying, for construction contracts in excess of \$100,000.
4. National Environmental Policy Act (**NEPA**).
 - a. The National Environmental Policy Act requires federal actions (including local transportation projects receiving federal aid) to be evaluated for potential impacts to the environment. ITD and the FHWA jointly conduct this review.
 - i. For major actions that significantly affect the quality of the human environment, an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) must be prepared. This is a lengthy (and expensive) process that requires consideration of alternatives, analysis of impacts, and compliance with a series of public notice and comment periods. Projects requiring an EIS would not be able to be completed within Community Choices time constraints.
 - ii. For projects in which the significance of the environmental impact is uncertain, an Environmental Assessment (EA) must be prepared. This document is more limited in scope than an EIS, and the procedure is not as lengthy. If through the EA process it is determined that there will not be significant impacts, a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) is issued. If it is determined that there will be significant impacts, an EIS must be prepared.
 - iii. Most federal aid projects qualify for a "categorical exclusion," meaning that the project will not have a significant effect on the human environment. For these projects, neither an EIS nor an EA need be prepared. Federal regulations have identified several project types that typically receive a categorical exclusion (such as installation of utilities along a road; construction of bicycle and pedestrian paths; landscaping; installation of fences, signs, pavement markings and traffic signals, where no substantial land acquisition or traffic disruption would occur; alterations to facilities to make them accessible to elderly and handicapped persons; and other types of projects). Even though a proposed project might fall within an exclusion category, applicants must obtain clearance from ITD.
 - iv. Contact District Environmental Staff (listed at <http://itd.idaho.gov/enviro/District.Staff.htm>) for assistance with navigating the environmental review process.
5. Compliance with audit requirements:

