



2022 Application for Project Prioritization

Traffic Operations, Safety, and Local Initiatives Projects

General Instructions:

For the 2022 Call for Projects, the R2CTPO is accepting applications for Feasibility Studies and Project Implementation.

The R2CTPO has two different application forms for Traffic Operations, Safety, and Local Initiatives Projects. One is to be used when applying for a Feasibility Study; the other is to be used when applying for Project Implementation. When applying for Project Implementation, the Applying Agency will also be required to submit a completed copy of FDOT's Project Information Application Form.

No project will advance beyond a Feasibility Study unless the R2CTPO receives an application for prioritization of the Project Implementation phase. Applications for prioritization of the Project Implementation phase will be accepted only if a Feasibility Study has already been completed or if the project does not require a Feasibility Study.

Applications will be ranked based on the information supplied in the application. The TPO is not obliged to consider information pertaining to the project request that is not included in the project application. However, applying agencies are encouraged to be present for the evaluation their applications to provide clarification, if needed.

Incomplete applications will not be accepted.

Project Qualification:

Except for certain improvements identified in 23 U.S.C. §133¹, only projects located on Federal-Aid Roads (roads on the National Highway System (NHS) or functionally classified as Urban Minor Collector or higher) may be funded through this program.

Only applications for traffic operations, intelligent transportation systems (ITS), safety, and local initiatives (traffic operations focused) projects will be considered. These projects are enhancements to improve the operational efficiency, reliability, and/or safety of the existing traffic circulation system. The following list of projects is representative of qualifying projects; however, it is not exhaustive:

1. Adding or extending left and/or right turn lanes;
2. improved signage or signalization;
3. targeted traffic enforcement;
4. limitation or prohibition of driveways, turning movements, truck traffic, and on-street parking;
5. modification of median openings;
6. replacement of standard intersections with traffic circles or roundabouts;
7. traffic incident response plans;
8. realignment of a road;
9. intelligent transportation systems (ITS) such as dynamic message signs and adaptive signal control systems;
10. traffic calming roadway designs or devices;

¹ These exceptions include: carpool projects, fringe and corridor parking facilities and programs, bicycle transportation and pedestrian walkways, modification of public sidewalks to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act, highway and transit safety infrastructure improvements and programs, hazard eliminations, projects to mitigate hazards caused by wildlife, and railway-highway grade crossings.

11. street lighting to improve traffic safety; and
12. other local initiatives which address complete streets retrofits, adaptation of transportation systems to climate change, and other improvements that directly support the goals of the TPO's Long Range Transportation Plan.

Award Limits:

There are no award limits for projects on the Traffic Operations, Safety, and Local Initiatives Projects list. Projects on this list may be funded with any combination of federal, state, and/or local funds.

Local Match Requirement:

R2CTPO Resolution 2021-XX provides that the governmental entity requesting state and or federal transportation funds for any project that is not on the State Highway System (SHS) shall be required to match those funds programmed on the project with local funds at a minimum ratio of 10% local to 90% state and/or federal. The match shall be by project phase for each programmed phase including feasibility study. A local cash match is required for a feasibility study. For all other phases, the local match is defined as non-state/federal cash match and/or in-kind services of eligible costs that advance the project. This resolution also reaffirms the R2CTPO's policy that the Applying Agency (project originator) shall be responsible for any cost overruns encountered on a project funded with state and/or federal funds unless the project is on the SHS, in which case, the State DOT shall be responsible for any cost overruns.

Electronic and "Hard Copy" Submittal Requirement:

1. Applications and supporting documentation shall be submitted as digital media in Portable Document Format (PDF), compatible with MS Windows and Adobe Acrobat.
2. Electronic documents must be submitted through the R2CTPO FTP site.
<https://www3.mydocsonline.com/customerupload/b4bbf6f197bbf605f029f13c7936>
3. **The application and all supporting documentation shall be included in one electronic PDF file.**
4. All document pages shall be oriented so that the top of the page is always at the top of the computer monitor.
5. Page size shall be either 8-1/2" by 11" (letter) or 11" by 17" (tabloid).
6. PDF documents produced by scanning paper documents are inherently inferior to those produced directly from an electronic source. Documents which are only available in paper format should be scanned at a resolution which ensures the pages are legible on both a computer screen and a printed page. We recommend scanning at 300 dpi to balance legibility and file size.
7. If you are unable to produce an electronic document as prescribed here, please contact R2CTPO staff to discuss other options.
8. If you are unable to upload to the R2CTPO FTP site, please contact R2CTPO staff to discuss other options.
9. In addition to the digital submittal, we require one (1) complete paper copy of the application and all supporting documents. This must be identical to the digital submittal.

R2CTPO staff will provide assistance in completing an application to any member local government that requests it.