

# BRIDGE INVESTMENT PROGRAM, LARGE BRIDGE PROJECT GRANTS

## Program Summary

The Bridge Investment Program (BIP) provides funding for bridge replacement, rehabilitation, preservation, and protection projects that reduce the number of bridges in poor condition, or in fair condition at risk of declining into poor condition. This first-ever rolling NOFO solicits applications for the *Large Bridge Project Grants* category of the BIP, which funds projects larger than \$100 million.

FHWA will solicit applications for the other two BIP project categories in a separate NOFO: (1) Planning and (2) Bridge Project (a project with total eligible costs less than \$100 million).

## Eligibility

### Eligible Applicants

A State or a group of States, a metropolitan planning organization that serves an urbanized area (as designated by the Bureau of the Census) with a population of over 200,000, a unit of local government or a group of local governments, a political subdivision of a State or local government a special purpose district or public authority with a transportation function, an FLMA, a Tribal government or a consortium of Tribal governments, a multi-state or multi-jurisdictional group of entities described above.

### Eligible Projects

- A project with a total eligible project costs of greater than \$100 million.
- A project to replace, rehabilitate, preserve, or protect one or more bridges on the National Bridge Inventory.
- A project under the BIP includes bridge bundling and culverts. See NOFO for more information.

## Want to Apply? Here are some important Details

- Eligibility Requirements: (1) the project is reasonably expected to begin construction not later than 18 months after the date on which funds are obligated; and (2) preliminary engineering is complete for the project. See NOFO, Section C.3.b for details on this as well as Section B.4 for description of obligation.
- Each fiscal year, no more than 5% of funds are made available to projects solely consisting of culvert replacement or rehabilitation. The culverts are required to be on the National Bridge Inventory.
- DOT will prioritize applications with a demonstrated need for a BIP grant of at least \$100 million, with a total eligible project cost of at least \$200 million.
- DOT seeks to award BIP funds to Large Bridge Project Grants based on bridge condition, cost effectiveness, project readiness, and other considerations (see NOFO, Section E for details).

## Funding Details

**Award Size:** Min. \$50 Million and enough to fully fund the project.

**Cost Sharing:** Max. award amount is 50% of the total eligible project cost. Non-Federal matching requirements are described in NOFO Section C.2.

**FY25 Funding Available:**  
\$2.43 Billion

**FY26 Funding Available:**  
\$2.46 Billion

## Important Dates

**FY25 Application Deadline:**  
11:59 p.m. EDT on August 1, 2024

**FY26 Application Deadline:**  
11:59 p.m. EDT on August 1, 2025

See NOFO for Obligation and Expenditure Deadlines.

## Partnerships

Joint applications must identify a lead applicant and include a description of roles and responsibilities of each applicant.

## Resources

- [NOFO](#)
- [Website](#)
- [US DOT Factsheet](#)
- [FAQs](#)
- [Awarded Projects](#)



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