# NATIONALLY SIGNIFICANT FEDERAL LANDS AND TRIBAL PROJECTS PROGRAM

### **Program Summary**

The Nationally Significant Federal Lands and Tribal Projects Program (NSFLTP) provides funding for the construction, reconstruction, and rehabilitation of nationally significant projects within, adjacent to, or accessing Federal and Tribal lands. This Program provides an opportunity to address significant challenges across the nation for transportation facilities that serve Federal and Tribal lands.

### **Eligibility**

## Eligible Applicants

Entities eligible to receive funds under the Federal Lands Access Program, the Federal Lands Transportation Program, the Tribal Transportation Program, and the Federal Lands Planning Program may apply for funding under the NSFLTP Program.

A State, county, or unit of local government may apply for funding under the NSFLTP Program only if sponsored by an eligible Federal Land Management Agency (FLMA) or federally recognized Tribe.

#### Eligible Projects

Projects need to meet the minimum statutory requirements for eligibility. Please see NOFO Section C. (page 12) for the full description.

## Want to Apply? Here are some important Details

- Projects on Tribal lands and Tribal transportation facilities do not need to address
  Discretionary criteria II, III, IV, and V (see NOFO). Project applications for Federal lands
  transportation facilities or Federal lands access transportation facilities are required to
  address all statutory and discretionary criteria.
- The applicant should identify any other DOT programs and opportunities they intend to apply for (or utilize if the Federal funding is already available to the applicant), and what award amounts they will be seeking.
- 50% of funds are for Federal lands transportation facilities and Federal lands access transportation facilities; and 50% is for Tribal transportation facilities projects.
- Applicants are encouraged to use Climate & Economic Justice Screening Tool (CEJST) as the primary tool to identify disadvantaged communities (Justice40 communities).
- Applicants are strongly encouraged to use the USDOT Equitable Transportation Community (ETC) Explorer to understand how their community or project area is experiencing disadvantage related to lack of transportation investments or opportunities.
- FHWA encourages applicants for Federal lands transportation facility or Federal lands access transportation facility projects to consider reducing GHG emissions and improving environmental justice in project planning efforts and to incorporate project elements dedicated to reducing GHG emissions and improving environmental justice.

#### **Funding Details**

**Award Size:** Min. estimated construction cost of \$12.5 Million.

#### Cost Sharing:

- No cost sharing required for Tribal transportation projects.
- For projects on other facilities the max. Fed. share is 90%.

FY 23 Funding Available: \$88.29 Million

**Total Funding Available:** \$275 Million (over 5 years)

#### **Important Dates**

**Application Deadline:** November 6, 2023

Obligation Deadline: September 30, 2026

## **Partnerships**

FLMA and Tribes will provide a list of project applications they are sponsoring from their organization on behalf of State or local governments. See NOFO for more details.

#### Resources

- NOFO
- Website



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