

Surface Transportation Block Grant - Project Evaluation Criteria

Scoring Criteria

The following seven categories will be used by the scoring committee to score Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) applications. In the event that an application is found eligible for STBG funding but does not qualify for one of the scoring categories, it will receive a zero for that category. For full points breakdown of each scoring criteria, please refer to the accompanying table following the descriptions.

1. Proposed Project Type

A project that is eligible through the STBG program and falls under one of the listed projects types will receive additional scoring. If a project is found to be eligible for either Eastgate's Transportation Alternatives Program or Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Program and did not previously seek funding through that program, then the application is subject to disqualification.

2. Project Readiness

Eastgate maintains a willingness to prioritize projects that have advanced through the traditional project development process. Any project that has advanced past the scoping stage will receive additional points in this category.

3. Safety

Any project that is found on in Eastgate's most recent edition of the Regional Safety Study will receive additional points. Where the location falls on the list will determine scoring amounts.

4. Weighted Average Daily Traffic

For projects that qualify for a daily traffic count, Eastgate will use its most recent count for the road applied. If multiple roads are in a single application, the counts will be weighted according to square footage (multiple bridge locations will simply be averaged). In the event that Eastgate has no recent traffic count data, staff will conduct a traffic count on the road as necessary.

5. Federal Functional Classification

An importance is set on constructing projects that fall on higher classified federal functional classification roads. These roads are prioritized as they are the primary connectors to the interstate system and are the framework for identifying the role of a roadway in moving vehicles through a network of highways.

6. Complete Street Components

Eastgate works with its local communities to advocate for a healthier, more efficient place to live. Through complete street components, many of the principles of active transportation engage the idea of designing the places we live, work, and play to be more efficient, convenient, and diverse. Any application that directly affect a component of transit, bicycle, or pedestrian use will receive an additional two points for each component.

7. Overall Project Scoring

Projects will receive final points as an overall importance of the project is determined by the committee. Committee members will grant up to 20 points through grading the project on regional significance, importance to surrounding communities and businesses, and any other criteria they feel exemplifies the importance in providing funding to the project.

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1. Proposed Project Type	
Roadway Reconstruction <i>(major reconstruction, resurfacing, turn lanes, intersection improvements, etc.)</i>	20
Bridge <i>(rehabilitation, replacement, etc.)</i>	15
Other <i>(transportation system management, planning studies, etc.)</i>	5
2. Project Readiness	
Stage 3 Plans Complete <i>(traditional or non-traditional LPA)</i>	25
Environmental Clearance	15
Project Scoped and Programmed with ODOT	5
None	0
3. Safety	
Eastgate's Hazard Ranking <i>(top 50% of list)</i>	10
Eastgate's Hazard Ranking: <i>(bottom 50% of list)</i>	5
Eastgate's Hazard Ranking: <i>(does not appear)</i>	0
4. Weighted Average Daily Traffic	
More than 10,000	15
5,000-10,000	10
1,000-5,000	5
Less than 1,000	0
5. Federal Functional Classification	
Principal Arterial	15
Minor Arterial	10
Major/Minor Collector	5
6. Complete Street Components	
Transit Component	2
Bicycle Component	2
Pedestrian Component	2
7. Overall Project Scoring	
Overall Scoring of the Project <i>(range from 0-20 points)</i>	20