

**COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE
MEMBER-DESIGNATED HIGH PRIORITY PROJECT QUESTIONNAIRE**

The database will allow you to: (1) submit requests; or (2) save drafts which can be submitted on a later date.

1. General Information _____
 - Member of Congress: _____
 - Staff Contact: _____
 - Staff Phone Number: _____
 - Staff E-mail Address: _____

2. Who is the primary Member of Congress sponsoring the project? _____

3. Is this project located in your Congressional District? _____

If not, which district is it located in: _____

4. Will other Members of Congress be submitting project requests supporting the project? _____

5. What type of eligible project under Title 23 (Highways) or Chapter 53 of Title 49 (Public Transit) of the U.S. Code is the project request? Note: The Committee will not accept requests for non-surface transportation projects, such as transportation museums, horse trails, or historic battlefields, as part of the High Priority Projects program.
 - Federal-aid Highway: _____

 - Highway/Road:
Is this located on a Federal-aid Highway? _____
Is this located on the National Highway System? _____
Is this located on the Interstate System? _____

 - Bridge:
Is this located on a Federal-aid Highway? _____
Is this located on the National Highway System? _____
Is this located on the Interstate System? _____

 - Tunnel:
Is this located on a Federal-aid Highway? _____
Is this located on the National Highway System? _____
Is this located on the Interstate System? _____

 - Bicycle/Pedestrian project
Is this located on a Federal-aid highway? _____
Is this located on the National Highway System? _____
Is this located on the Interstate System? _____

Intelligent Transportation System (Technology) project

Is this located on a Federal-aid Highway? _____

Is this located on the National Highway System? _____

Is this located on the Interstate System? _____

Ferry Boats or Ferry Boat Facilities

Is this located on a Federal-aid Highway? _____

Is this located on the National Highway System? _____

Is this located on the Interstate System? _____

Intermodal Freight Facility:

Is this located on a Federal-aid Highway? _____

Is this located on the National Highway System? _____

Is this located on the Interstate System? _____

Other

Is this located on a Federal-aid Highway? _____

Is this on the National Highway System? _____

Is this located on the Interstate System? _____

Public Transit (Public transit refers to transportation services provided to the general public via a variety of vehicle modes, including buses, subways, light rail, commuter rail, monorail, passenger ferry boats, transit van pools, streetcars, inclined railways, and paratransit vehicles. Public transit does not include school bus or charter bus services, nor intercity passenger rail (such as Amtrak), high-speed rail, or private rail operations. For these types of rail projects, please proceed to the Rail section of the form.)

Passenger Vehicles:

Transit Bus or Van? _____

Transit Rail Car or Locomotive, including Streetcars? _____

Transit Ferry? _____

Transit Facilities:

Are there vehicle Maintenance or Administration Facility? _____

Are there Passenger Facility, including Intermodal Facilities, stations, and terminals? _____

Transit Rights-of-Way

Is there Property Acquisition? _____

Is there Corridor Development? _____

Is there Rail Track Construction or Maintenance? _____

Is there Bus-only Lane Construction or Maintenance? _____

Transit Equipment:

Is there Vehicle-related Equipment? _____

Is there System-related Equipment? _____

New Start Project (A New Start project is a major new fixed guideway capital project seeking more than \$75 million in Federal funds.)

Small Start Project (A Small Start project is a new fixed guideway capital project seeking less than \$75 million in Federal funds and with a total estimated net capital cost of less than \$250 million.)

Rail:

- Intercity Passenger Rail (Intercity rail passenger transportation means rail passenger transportation, except commuter rail passenger transportation. Commuter rail passenger transportation means short-haul rail passenger transportation in metropolitan and suburban areas usually having reduced fare, multiple-ride, and commuter tickets and morning and evening peak period operations. Intercity rail passenger transportation projects are not commuter rail projects. Funds for commuter rail projects should be requested under public transit, not under intercity passenger rail.)

Located within a corridor previously designated by the Secretary of Transportation pursuant to section 104(d)(2) of Title 23, United States Code, or the Northeast Corridor?

If yes, is it:

- California Corridor
- Chicago Hub Network
- Empire Corridor
- Florida Corridor
- Gulf Coast Corridor
- Keystone Corridor
- Northeast Corridor
- Northern New England Corridor
- Pacific Northwest Corridor
- South Central Corridor
- Southeast Corridor

Freight Rail:

Is it Class I Freight Rail? _____

Is it Class II or Class III Freight Rail? _____

Research: _____

University Transportation Center: _____

Other: _____

6. Did the Federal Highway Administration, Federal Transit Administration, or State Department of Transportation,¹ or public transit agency confirm that the project is eligible under Title 23 (Highways) or Chapter 53 of Title 49 (Public Transit) of the United States Code?

If yes,

Which entity confirmed the project eligibility?

- Federal Highway Administration Contact _____
- Federal Transit Administration Contact _____

¹ All references to "State Departments of Transportation" include Washington, DC, and Territories.

- State Department of Transportation Contact _____
- Public Transit Agency Contact _____

According to the entity, is the project eligible under Title 23, Title 49, or both Titles 23 and title 49?

- Title 23 (Highways)
- Chapter 53 of Title 49 (Public Transit)
- Both Title 23 and Chapter 53 of Title 49

7. Please identify the state, regional, or local governmental entity that is an eligible recipient of the funds.

Highways:

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(Note: If a project is a multi-state project, please select the State Department of Transportation which will serve as the lead agency for the project.)

Public Transit:

State DOT(Only 1 State DOT may be selected):

Local Government:

- Metropolitan Planning Organization “MPO” (write in name and address)
- Transit Agency (write in name and address)
- City (write in name and address)
- County (write in name and address)
- Federally-recognized tribe (write in name and address)
- Other (write in name and address)

(Note: If a project is a multi-state project, please select the state, regional, or local governmental entity which will serve as the lead agency for the project.)

- Rail

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8. Please identify the specific segment or activity for which project funding is requested. The request must finance at least 80 percent of the total estimated cost of the specific segment or activity by either (1) the amount requested by the Member; or (2) the amount requested by the Member and other specifically designated Federal, state, local, or private funding sources.

9.

- Project description (include the specific terminus points of the project or activity, as appropriate; include drop-down menu of activity choices; may select more than 1 activity; activities include: construct, plan, design, engineer, conduct environmental review, acquire right-of-way, conduct alternatives analysis, research, develop, demonstrate, deploy, reconstruct, rehabilitate, replace, retrofit, install, mitigate, implement, realign):_____
- Total estimated cost _____
- Request amount _____
- Percentage of total estimated cost:_____

(If the percentage is less than 80 percent, the Member must identify other specifically designated Federal, state, local, or private funding sources that, combined with the Member request, equal at least 80 percent.)

- Source _____ Amount of Funding _____

10. If you are requesting funding for a specific segment or activity, please describe the overall project of which this segment/activity is a part.

- Project description _____
- Total estimated cost _____

11. Is the project included in the State's Long-Range Transportation Plan? _____

Please provide the date of approval of the most recent version of the plan and the title of the plan:

Date of approval (MM/YYYY): _____

Title of the plan _____

12. Is the project included in the Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and/or State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)? _____

Please provide the date of approval of the most recent version of the program(s), and the title of the program(s):

Metropolitan Transportation Improvement Program (TIP): _____

Date of approval (MM/YYYY): _____

Title of the Program: _____

State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP): _____

Date of approval (MM/YYYY): _____

Title of the Program: _____

13. If the project is an intercity passenger rail project, is it included in the State Rail Plan? _____

Please provide the date on which the Governor approved the most recent version of the plan, and the title of the plan.

Date of approval (MM/YYYY): _____

Title of the plan: _____

14. Please describe the current status of the project and the expected schedule for its completion.

Current status:

Federal-aid Highway projects:

- In Planning _____
- In Environmental Review _____
- In Final Design _____
- In Right-of-Way Acquisition _____
- Under Construction _____

Public Transit projects:

- In Planning _____
- In Alternatives Analysis _____

- In Preliminary Engineering_____
- In Final Design_____
- Under Construction or Procurement

Rail projects (drop-down menu):

- In Planning_____
- In Environmental Review_____
- In Preliminary Engineering_____
- In Design_____
- Under Construction_____

Research:

- Under Research_____
- Under Development_____
- Under Demonstration_____
- Under Deployment_____

What is the expected date of completion of the project for which you are requesting funding? _____

15. Please provide a letter of support from a state, regional, or local governmental official specifically supporting the project request. This letter should discuss the merits of the project; specify the process to provide the public with an opportunity to comment on the project; and identify the other sources of Federal, state, or private funding that will be used to complete this project or project phase. **This letter must contain an explicit statement of support for the project. In addition, if the Member is requesting less than 80 percent of the total estimated cost of the specific segment or activity, the letter must identify other specifically designated Federal, state, local, or private funding sources that, combined with the Member request, equal at least 80 percent of the total estimated cost.** Please use **boldface font** to highlight these statements in the letter.

- Attached letter
(Please note that you will not be able to submit the finalized request unless a letter is attached.)

16. Does the project have regional or national significance? (A project of regional and national significance is typically a high-cost transportation infrastructure facility that often includes multiple levels of government, agencies, modes of transportation, and transportation goals and planning processes that are not easily addressed or funded within existing surface transportation program categories. These projects have national and/or regional benefits, including improving economic productivity by facilitating international trade, relieving congestion, and improving transportation safety by facilitating passenger and freight movement.)

Please describe the regional or national significance of the project. Please limit your response to 3-4 sentences (up to 500 characters).

17. Describe the safety, economic development, mobility, and environmental benefits associated with completion of the project.

Safety Benefits:

Please describe the safety benefits. Please limit your response to 2-3 sentences (500 characters).

Economic Development Benefits:
Please describe the safety benefits. Please limit your response to 2-3 sentences (500 characters).

Mobility Benefits:
Please describe the mobility benefits. Please limit your response to 2-3 sentences (500 characters)

Environmental Benefits:
Please describe the environmental benefits. Please limit your response to 2-3 sentences (500 characters).

18. Has the project previously received any Federal funding? _____

- Surface transportation authorization act(s):
- Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) (P.L.109-59)
 - Section _____ Project Number _____

- Amount of Funding _____ Amount Obligated _____
- Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (TEA 21) (P.L. 105-178)
 - Section _____ Project Number _____
 - Amount of Funding _____ Amount Obligated _____
- National Highway System Designation Act of 1995 (NHS Act) (P.L. 104-59)
 - Section _____ Project Number _____
 - Amount of Funding _____ Amount Obligated _____
- Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991 (ISTEA) (P.L. 102-240)
 - Section _____ Project Number _____
 - Amount of Funding _____ Amount Obligated _____

Appropriations act(s)

- Public Law Name _____
- Public Law Number _____
- Section _____ Project Number _____
- Amount of Funding _____ Amount Obligated _____

- other legislation
 - Public Law Name _____
 - Public Law Number _____
 - Section _____ Project Number _____
 - Amount of Funding _____ Amount Obligated _____

19. Has the project received any prior funding from a State, local, or private source? _____

Source : _____

Amount of Funding: _____

Amount Obligated: _____

20. Please provide the proposed legislative text (in no more than 250 characters) of the project as you would like it to appear in the bill. (Please note that project line items carry the force of law, and can only be amended through subsequent public laws. If Congressional intent (as established through answers listed on this form, or in letters to the Committee) is different from the legislative text, the entity administering the project is required to adhere to the statutory language.)
