

XIX. Other Federal-Aid Programs

Overview. The statutes governing the Federal-aid Highway Program are found in Title 23, United States Code (23 U.S.C.). This section highlights a few of the Federal-aid programs found in the Guide to Federal-aid Programs and Projects <http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/federalaid/projects.cfm>

1. CMAQ Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ)

- a. **Statutory/Regulatory Requirements.** USC Title 23, Section 149. This program is to reduce transportation-related emissions in air quality non-attainment and maintenance areas.
- b. **Guidelines/Procedures.** CMAQ funds are apportioned to States by formula based on population and the severity of ozone and carbon monoxide pollution in their non-attainment or maintenance areas.
- c. **Role of Tribal Governments.** Tribes should contact their State DOTs or FHWA division offices in the State when considering applying for funding this program.
- d. **References/Resources.**
<http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/map21/cmaq.cfm>
<http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/environment/cmaqpgs/>

2. **Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP).** MAP-21 established a new program to provide for a variety of alternative transportation projects, including many that were previously eligible under separately funded programs, including Transportation Enhancements, Recreational Trails, Safe Routes to School, and several others, wrapping them into a single funding source.

- a. **Statutory/Regulatory Requirements.** MAP-21 §1122; 23 USC 101, 206, 213; SAFETEA-LU §1404.
- b. **Guidelines/Procedures.** In general, TAP funds are administered by the State DOT. The Recreational Trails portion of the program is administered by a State agency or agencies, which may or may not be the State DOT.
- c. **Role of Tribal Governments.** Tribes should contact their State DOTs. The State, through a competitive process, selects the projects submitted by Tribes and other eligible entities.
- d. **References and Resources.** <http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/map21/tap.cfm>

3. Surface Transportation Program (STP)

- a. **Statutory/Regulatory Requirements.** USC Title 23, Section 133.
- b. **Guidelines/Procedures.** This program provides flexible funding options for a broad array of transportation projects.
- c. **Role of Tribal Governments.** Tribes should contact their State DOTs or FHWA Division Offices in the States when considering applying for funding this program.
- d. **References and Resources.** <http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/map21/stp.cfm>