



Maine Department of Transportation
GATEWAY 1 TRAFFIC CALMING IMPROVEMENTS
FY10-11 Funding

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| Date Application Received |
| (For MaineDOT Use Only) |

Traffic Calming Project Application

- No local match is required; however, a project using other leveraged funds may enhance the application’s importance during the selection process.
- Activities eligible for these traffic calming funds must be physical improvements that focus on U.S. Route 1 or federally eligible roads affected by U.S. Route 1. Studies or other planning projects are not eligible for these funds.
- Safety tools such as access management or lighting may be included as part of a broader traffic calming application but cannot be submitted as a stand alone application.
- Application deadline is Friday, February 27, 2009.
- If you need assistance completing this application, please contact Peter Hedrich, Gorrill-Palmer Consulting Engineers, at 657-6910 or Duane Scott or Darryl Belz, MaineDOT, at 624-3300.

Section 1: General Information

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| Applicant Name(s): | | |
| Contact Person: | | |
| Mailing Address: | | |
| City: | State: | Zip: |
| Daytime Phone No.: | Email: | |
| NOTE: The following sections of this application request specific project related information. If warranted, pictures, maps, exhibits, diagrams, survey summaries, etc., should be included with the application. Consultations with MaineDOT Regional Office personnel may be necessary prior to completing this application. Please be concise. If additional space is required, please attach supplemental sheets. | | |

Section 2: Project Brief

Location of Project: *Provide town/city, street name(s) and additional project location references. Attach maps showing location of the proposed improvements. Indicate area affected or linked to the proposed improvement(s) especially noting valued community resources, including neighborhoods, schools within two (2) miles, businesses, and village areas.*

Project Summary: *Provide a brief outline of the proposed project.*

Section 3: Project Details

Section 3.1 - Detailed Description of Infrastructure Project and Cost (if applicable)

Provide a detailed description of project work items and/or construction costs: *(Project description may be included as an attachment. Note that all infrastructure improvements must comply with the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).)*

Provide a description of ongoing year round maintenance issues that may result from the proposed project: *(The project must not unduly impede winter maintenance such as snow plowing.)*

Is the town in which the proposed traffic calming measure is to be located willing to provide ongoing maintenance? *(If so, describe what year round maintenance activities will be necessary and how your town will pay for ongoing maintenance costs.)*

Will funds requested under this program leverage other funding or projects? *(Does this project use funds from other sources or can it be scheduled concurrently with another project in the area to enhance the scope and feasibility of this project.)*

Section 3.2 - Project Description and Demonstrated Needs

Project Description:

Describe the proposed project and scope: *(Attach diagrams, maps and/or correspondence that will help provide a clear description of the proposed scope.)*

Describe why this project is important to your community/region and worthy of funding:

Describe the Transportation Values: *(Each project should serve primarily transportation purposes rather than a project whose emphasis is placed on improving aesthetics or enhancing nearby municipal, historical, recreational, or other facilities. A project serves valid transportation purposes if it improves a connection between origins and destinations, increases safety, or enhances the use of the transportation system and the transportation environment.)*

Describe the Positive Impacts on Community: *(The project should have a measurable positive impact on the community.)*

Describe Regional Impacts: *(The project should have a measurable positive impact on the region.)*

Demonstrated Needs: *(A project should serve important functions, and accomplish stated purposes.)*

Is the proposed project located in area that the Gateway 1 Spot Speed Study Summary Report has indicated speeding is a recurring problem?

If so, what is the posted speed limit and the 85th percentile speeds at your proposed project location(s)?

Is the proposed project located in an area that MaineDOT has determined to be a high crash location (HCL)?

Please provide Annual Average Daily Traffic (AADT) volume for the proposed project area:

Describe How the Project Brings New Opportunities: *(Will the project create new opportunities for public benefits such as accommodating pedestrians and bicyclists and improving access to public facilities and local businesses.)*

Describe How Your Project Meets State Planning Goals/Economic/Tourism Benefits: *(A project should enhance or enable a livable, compact community that has the potential to improve quality of life, thereby enhancing the economic vibrancy of a community or region.)*

Describe the Potential Safety Improvements:

Describe previous measures your town has taken to reduce speeding in the project area such as increased law enforcement or educating the public:

If any portion of the project is located on an arterial highway that is also within a MaineDOT urban compact area, describe how the proposed project is consistent with MaineDOT's traffic calming policy (see attached):

Section 4: Community Support

Provide information on the consultation and support for the project by the community: *(Identify organizations that pledged their support of the project and the roles they plan to play in project implementation. Possible project partners may include school officials, local traffic engineers, municipal officials, law enforcement agencies, public health agencies or organizations, local elected officials, and other not for profit community groups. Include as attachments letters of support addressed to the applicant.)*

Is the municipality where the project is located certified to locally administer the project? Yes No

Is the municipality willing to become LAP Certified? Yes No

Note: Information on Locally Administered Project (LAP) requirements can be found at:
<http://www.state.me.us/mdot/locally-administered-projects/consultant-brochure.php>

If your project is selected for funding, a municipal/state agreement with the Maine Department of Transportation will be required for the development, design, and construction of the project in accordance with Federal, State, and Local requirements.

Section 5: Sensible Transportation Planning

Please Note: Your community may receive additional bonus points if it has met some of the criteria listed below. To be eligible for these bonus points, please answer the following questions:

Does your community have an approved Comprehensive Plan that has been found consistent by the State Planning Office? Yes No If yes, please list the year it was found consistent:

If applicable, please outline relevant ordinances and policies that have been enacted to support the Comprehensive Plan by promoting and encouraging compact development patterns in growth areas.

If your municipality has an identified growth area, has your town made any capital investments such as water or sewer to support development in that growth area?

If applicable, please describe any regional efforts with surrounding municipalities that your community has undertaken to promote and encourage compact development patterns in growth areas.

Section 6: Project Details

The applicant should request MaineDOT assistance with this section, if necessary.

Section 6.1 - Estimated Cost of Infrastructure Project

Design Engineering, Environmental Documentation

- Environmental Evaluation (if applicable): 1. \$
- Preliminary Design Engineering (if applicable): 2. \$

Right of Way/Land Acquisition (if applicable): 3. \$

Construction: 4. \$

- Construction Engineering (if applicable): 5. \$

Total Value of Project (add lines 1 through 5): 6. \$

Local Match/Voluntary Contributions (Note: All match/voluntary contributions must be detailed. Bonus consideration may be given to applications that offer additional match/voluntary contributions.)

- Cash: 7. \$
- In-kind, right of way, or other contributions: 8. \$
- Please describe local match in detail:

Total Local Match/Voluntary Contributions: % 9. \$

Gateway 1 Traffic Calming Improvements

Eligibility Requirements and Definitions

Basic Eligibility:

Right-of-way: The applicant should provide a description of the right-of-way situation. Due to the limited size of the budget, only projects that have already acquired R.O.W., or have shown that R.O.W. will not be acquired will be considered for construction funding.

The ability to successfully build project in a timely manner: If there is strong doubt about the ability to successfully move the project through completion by Fiscal Year 2011, construction funding should not be approved.

Environmental Benefit (Natural, Historic, Cultural, Social) The project applicant should have shown that there are no identified obstacles that will keep the project from being approved. (e.g. environmental permitting)

Project is not going to take the majority of the available funding: If a project estimate would take up too much of the total available funding under this traffic calming program, the proposed project will not be considered, unless a portion of the project can be funded and still be considered a viable project.

Good Cost Estimate: It should be shown that the estimate, timeline and scope of work are practicable.

Community Support/Public Involvement: The project has been shown to have broad community support. As required by state and federal transportation planning processes, public involvement is essential in the development of transportation plans, projects and programs. Public involvement should include, to the extent possible, input from individuals who will be affected by the transportation plan and programs.

Scoring Criteria Definitions:

Transportation Value: Each project should serve a primarily transportation purpose, as opposed to a recreational purpose. A project serves a valid transportation purpose if it serves as a connection between origins and destinations, increases safety, or enhances the use of the transportation system and the transportation environment.

Positive Impact on Community: The project will have a measurable and positive impact on the community.

Regional Impact The project will have a measurable positive impact on a region: The project should serve users from beyond a single municipality.

Demonstrated Need: The project should demonstrate that it serves an important function, and will accomplish the stated goal.

State Planning Goals/ Economic/ Tourism Benefit: The project will enhance or enable a livable, compact community that has the potential to improve quality of life, thereby enhancing the economic vibrancy of a community or region.

Potential Safety Improvement: A project that addresses existing or potential safety problems or issues.

New Opportunities: The project has been shown to provide a new opportunity for public benefit.

Sensible Transportation Bonus An applicant will receive bonus points if the community is on MaineDOT's approved list of communities that have successfully obtained the following:

- Approved Adopted Community Transportation Plan, and
- Adopted Ordinances that incorporate Land Use Development Strategies as outlined in Plan,
- Adopted Plan and Ordinances have met objectives outlined in the Maine Sensible Transportation Policy Act (STPA).

An applicant will receive collaboration bonus points if the community is partnered with one or more communities, and all communities involved are on MaineDOT's approved list of communities.