



NATIONALLY SIGNIFICANT FEDERAL LANDS AND TRIBAL PROJECTS

Fiscal year	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Authorization*	\$100 M				

* Subject to appropriation

Program purpose

The FAST Act establishes the Nationally Significant Federal Lands and Tribal Projects (NSFLTP) program to provide funding for the construction, reconstruction, and rehabilitation of nationally-significant projects on Federal or tribal lands.

Statutory citation: FAST Act § 1123

Funding features

All funding is **subject to appropriation** from the General Fund.

Federal share

Up to 90%. Federal funds, except those provided under Title 23 and 49, may be used for the non-Federal share. [FAST Act § 1123(g)]

Eligible projects and project costs

Project type

The Secretary may provide financial assistance only for a single continuous project that—

- Is on a Federal lands transportation facility, Federal lands access transportation facility or tribal transportation facility, as defined in 23 U.S.C. 101, but the facility is not required to be listed in the national tribal transportation facility inventory [23 U.S.C. 202(b)] or the national Federal lands transportation facility inventory [23 U.S.C. 203(c)];
- Has completed the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) process, as demonstrated by a completed record of decision, finding of no significant impact, or categorical exclusion determination; and
- Has an estimated cost of at least \$25 million (with priority consideration for projects with an estimated cost of at least \$50 million). [FAST Act § 1123(c)]

Eligible project costs

Financial assistance received for a project may only be used for construction, reconstruction, and rehabilitation. Costs associated with project design are not eligible. [FAST Act § 1123(d)]

Eligible applicants

Any entity eligible to receive funding under the Tribal Transportation Program, Federal Lands Transportation Program, or Federal Lands Access Program [23 U.S.C. 202-204] is eligible under the NSFLTP program. In addition, a State, county, or local government may apply if sponsored by an eligible Federal land management agency or Indian tribe. [FAST Act § 1123(b)]

Selection criteria

In reviewing applications for the NSFLTP program, the Secretary will consider the extent to which the project—

- Furthers the Department's goals, including state of good repair, economic competitiveness, quality of life, and safety;
- Improves the condition of critical transportation facilities, including multimodal transportation facilities;
- Needs construction, reconstruction, or rehabilitation;
- Has matching funds (projects with a greater percentage of matching funds rank higher than projects with a lesser percentage of matching funds);
- Is included on or eligible for the National Register of Historic Places;
- Uses new technologies and innovations to increase project efficiency;
- Is supported (whether for construction or for operation and maintenance) by funds other than those received under this program;
- Spans two or more States; and
- Serves land owned by multiple Federal agencies or Indian tribes. [FAST Act § 1123(f)]