The California Transportation Commission (CTC) has prepared these Scoring Rubrics in coordination with Caltrans to provide additional guidance on the evaluation process. This document is principally intended as a guide for the evaluators when scoring the 2021 ATP applications. Applicants may also find this a useful resource when developing applications. This document, however, is not intended as the definitive formula for how applications will be scored. Evaluators may take other factors into consideration when scoring applications, such as the overall application quality, project context and project deliverability.

Note: For combined projects the term "project" refers to both the infrastructure and non-infrastructure elements.

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QUESTION #1: DISADVANTAGED COMMUNITIES (0-10 POINTS)

Points for part D (Project Location) and Part E (Severity) will be calculated by CTC. Evaluators will only submit scores on Part C – Direct Benefit – for a maximum of 4 points.

This project does not qualify as a Disadvantaged Community.

If this project does not qualify as a Disadvantaged Community, applicant will skip the question and move on to question 2.

If the applicant checked the box for "This project does not qualify as a Disadvantaged Community" the score for Question #1 will be zero "0".

A. Map of Project Boundaries, Access and Destination (0 points): Required

Provide a scaled map showing the boundaries of the proposed project, the geographic boundaries of the disadvantaged community, and disadvantaged community access point(s) and destinations that the project is benefiting.

B. Identification of Disadvantaged Community: (0 points)

Select one of the following 5 options. Must provide information for all Census Tract/Block Group/Place # that the project affects.

- Median Household Income
- CalEnviroScreen
- Free or Reduced Priced School Meals Applications using this measure must demonstrate how the project benefits the school students in the project area.
- Healthy Places Index
- Other
 - Regional Definition
 - Federally Recognized Tribal Land
 - Other Determinant of MHI

C. Direct Benefit: (0 - 4 points)

- 1. Explain how the project closes a gap, provides connections to, or addresses a deficiency in an active transportation network or meets an important community need.
- 2. Explain how the disadvantaged community residents will have physical access to the project.
- 3. Illustrate and provide documentation how the project was requested or supported by the disadvantaged community residents. Address any issues of displacement that may occur as a result of this project, if applicable.

Special Instructions & Expectations for Evaluators:

Sub-questions A & B do not receive any points.

- If the applicant does <u>not</u> check the box "This project does not qualify as a Disadvantaged Community" they are **required** to provide project map(s) and provide the DAC information as required in both A & B.
 - Maps should include all census tracts/schools that the project influences, not just the ones that are disadvantaged.

When evaluating the first part of sub-question C, the evaluator should consider:

- Does the project provide reasonable improvements to close missing gaps; increases needed routes or connections (such as access to and/or community safety for disadvantaged community residents to parks, greenways, open space, health care centers, transit stops, and other community assets) or addresses the poor conditions of an existing route.
- If developing a new route/connection, will the project result in a convenient and logical route that residents will want to use because it offers improved access to destinations the community commonly utilizes?

- Will the project address the lack of or need for active transportation planning? And/or does the
 project address the community concerns about the lack of pedestrian or bicycle safety education
 in their community.
- Will the project address a "need" that was identified by the local community and is supported by backup documentation/attachments?

When evaluating the second part of sub-question C, the evaluator should consider:

- Will the improvements will be physically convenient and safe for the community to access or use?
- Will the improvements provide a logical route that residents will use or want to use because it offers safe and convenient access?
- If the project is not located in the DAC, will they have reasonable access points to the project?

When evaluating the third part of sub-question C, the evaluator should consider:

- Was the local DAC community actively involved in the project development? Did they request the project?
- Did the DAC community have the opportunity to provide their input to the community needs and do they support this project?
- Was this project presented to the DAC community in a local forum so that they could provide input or support? Or, was the project simply voted upon in a general agency meeting without really reaching out to the community to learn their needs and wants?
- Provide documentation of how the local residents and community groups were engaged for input on community and household needs and of any support from local community-based organizations and/or residents.
- Applicants should also, when applicable, explain how anti-displacement policies and actions are being implemented in their community/city/county to discourage gentrification of the community being impacted by the project.
 - Applicant should address this, even if just to say that displacement is not an issue in their community. If displacement is not an issue an applicant should not be downgraded as long as it was addressed as not a concern of their Disadvantaged Community. Say WHY it is not applicable for your community.
 - Talk about how this is being addressed, whether through policies or work groups

Points	Applicant's ability to demonstrate the project will result in a direct benefit to the Disadvantaged Community.
4 Points	 The application clearly and convincingly: Explains how the project closes a gap, provides connections to, or addresses a deficiency in an active transportation network or meets an important community need, AND Explains how the disadvantaged community residents will have physical access to the project, AND Illustrates and documents how the project was requested or supported by the disadvantaged community residents. AND The application includes attachments that show evidence of thorough engagement and outreach, resulting in input and buy-in from the disadvantaged community.

3 Points	 Explains how the project closes a gap, provides connections to, or addresses a deficiency in an active transportation network or meets an important community need, AND Explains how the disadvantaged community residents will have physical access to the project, AND Illustrates how the project was requested or supported by the disadvantaged community residents. AND The application includes attachments that show evidence of outreach and engagement to the disadvantaged community and documents their buy-in.
2 Points	 Explains how the project closes a gap, provides connections to, or addresses a deficiency in an active transportation network or meets an important community need AND Explains how the disadvantaged community residents will have physical access to the project, AND Illustrates and documents how the project was requested or supported by the disadvantaged community residents. AND The application includes some attachments that show evidence of contacting the disadvantaged community.
1 Points	 Explains how the project closes a gap, provides connections to, or addresses a deficiency in an active transportation network or meets an important community need, AND Explains how the disadvantaged community residents will have physical access to the project, AND Illustrates and documents how the project was requested or supported by the disadvantaged community residents. AND The application did not include attachments or attached minimal attachments showing evidence of outreach to the disadvantaged community.
0 Points	Evaluators can award a score of zero if they believe the application does not address how the project closes a gap or provides connections, does not address how the disadvantaged community will have physical access to the project, and does not address how the project will directly benefit a disadvantaged community, AND the application did not include any support attachments.

❖ Points for part D (Project Location) and Part E (Severity) will be calculated by CTC.

D. Project Location: (0 - 2 points)
Is your project located within a disadvantaged community?

Points	Applicant's ability to demonstrate the project is located within a DAC	
2 Points	Project location(s) are/is fully (100%) located within a DAC.	
1 Point	Project location(s) are/is partially (less than 100%) within a DAC.	
0 Points	None of the project location(s) are/is within a DAC.	

E. Severity: (0-4 points)

Points	Median Household Incom	ne (MHI) Criteria – MHI = \$56,982
0 points	Greater than 80% of the MHI	greater than \$56,982.40
1 Point	75% through <80% of MHI	\$53,421 through \$56,982.40
2 Points	70% through <75% of MHI	\$49,859.60 through \$53,421
3 Points	65% through <70% of MHI	\$46,298.20 through \$48,859.60
4 Points	< 65% of MHI	less than \$46,298.20
Points	CalEnviro	Screen Criteria
0 points	Above 25% most disadvantaged	less than 39.34
1 Point	20% through 25% most disadvantaged	39.34 through 42.86
2 Points	15% through < 20% most disadvantage	ed 42.87 through 46.63
3 Points	10% through < 15% most disadvantage	ed 46.64 through 51.18
4 Points	< 10% most disadvantaged	51.19 through 94.09
Points	Free or Re	educed Lunches
0 points	Less than 75% of students receive free	or reduced lunches
1 Point	≥ 75% through 80% of students receive	e free or reduced lunches
2 Points	> 80% through 85% of students receive	e free or reduced lunches
3 Points	> 85% through 90% of students receive	e free or reduced lunches
4 Points	> 90% of students receive free or reduce	ced lunches
Points	Healthy Plac	es Index Percentile
0 Points	Healthy Places Percentile above 25%	
1 Point	Healthy Places Percentile 20% through	1 25%
2 Points	Healthy Places Index Score 15% throu	gh <20%
3 Points	Healthy Places Index Score 10% throu	gh <15%
4 Points	Healthy Places Index Score <10%	

Category	Points	Other DAC Criterion
Other MHI or CalEnviroScreen Assessment	0 or 1 point	If a project applicant believes a project benefits a disadvantaged community but the project does not meet the aforementioned criteria due to a lack of accurate Census data or CalEnviroScreen data that represents a small neighborhood or unincorporated area, the applicant must submit for consideration a quantitative assessment, to demonstrate that the community's median household income is at or below 80% of that state median household income.
Regional Definition	0 or 1 point	If the applicant believes a project benefits a disadvantaged community based on an adopted regional definition, the applicant must submit for consideration the regional definition, as well as <i>how</i> their specific community qualifies under that definition.
Federally Recognized Tribal Lands	4 points	Projects located within Federally Recognized Tribal Lands (typically within the boundaries of a Reservation or Rancheria).

QUESTION #2: POTENTIAL FOR INCREASED WALKING AND BICYCLING, ESPECIALLY AMONG STUDENTS, INCLUDING THE IDENTIFICATION OF WALKING AND BICYCLING ROUTES TO AND FROM SCHOOLS, TRANSIT FACILITIES, COMMUNITY CENTERS, EMPLOYMENT CENTERS, AND OTHER DESTINATIONS; AND INCLUDING INCREASING AND IMPROVING CONNECTIVITY AND MOBILITY OF NONMOTORIZED USERS. (0-38 POINTS)

A. Describe the issues that this project will address. How will the proposed project benefit the non-motorized users? What is the project's desired outcome and how will the project best deliver that outcome? (0-19 points)

Discuss:

- Destinations and key connectivity the project will achieve
- How the project will increase walking and or biking
- The lack of mobility if applicable Does the population have limited access to cars? Bikes? And transit?
 - Does the project have an unserved or underserved demand?
- The local health concerns responses should focus on:
 - Specific local public health concerns, health disparity, and/or conditions in the built and social environment that affect the project community and can be addressed through the proposed project. Please provide detailed and locally relevant answers instead of general descriptions of the health benefits of walking and biking (i.e. "walking and biking increase physical activity").
 - Local public health data demonstrating the above public health concern or health disparity. Data should be at the smallest geography available (state or national data is not sufficient). One potential source is the Healthy Places Index (HPI).
- For combined I/NI: discuss the need for an encouragement, education, and/or enforcement program.

Special Instructions & Expectations for Evaluators:

Applicants are not required to submit user counts at the time of application. User counts will be collected from applications that are successful in the program.

- "Need" must be considered in the context of the "Potential for increased walking and bicycling"
- "Need" must be considered in the context all of the following:
 - Connectivity to key destinations
 - Mobility to access everyday needs and services
 - Local public health concerns
- To receive the maximum points, applicants must thoroughly demonstrate all of the above aspects of "need".

- Review the data provided for reasonableness from the proposed project.
 - o In doing this the evaluator should consult the attached photos, and any other information available to make an informed decision.
 - A project does not need to have, or create large numbers in order to cause great change to a community's active transportation increases, and this can be reflected in the scores given to a project.
- Evaluate the level to which the applicant demonstrated the need for improvements in the project area.
 - When citing key destinations, does the applicant also explain why those destinations are important for the community being impacted?
 - Do they cite specific destinations or just say "schools" or "stores" or "amenities"?

- Did the applicant identify specific local public health concerns, health disparity, and/or conditions in the built and social environment affecting the project community that can be addressed by increasing walking and biking, including:
 - Thorough and nuanced discussion of existing health condition(s) amongst targeted users (responses should be more sophisticated than simply stating, "Walking and biking is good for health because it increases physical activity.") AND
 - The physical or social conditions (known as the social determinants of health) in the target community that contribute to the current health conditions (beyond other elements already addressed in the application including bike/ped. infrastructure gaps and barriers, collision rates, etc.).
- Provides local public health data demonstrating the above public health concern or health disparity, including:
 - Inclusion of health data at the smallest geography available (i.e., census track or county level if census track is not available) AND
 - Health status of targeted users given as percentages or rates using relevant and local health indicators AND stated as ranks or comparisons to non-targeted user data (e.g., the community has a higher/lesser obesity rate compared to both the state and other rural communities of similar size).

Points	Applicant's ability to demonstrate a specific active transportation need.
14-17 Points	The application compellingly demonstrates "need" in the project area, and documents all of the following in a clear narrative: • the lack of connectivity, • the lack of mobility for non-motorized users, • data showing the local health concerns including a comparison to statewide health data, AND if applicable • For projects benefiting a disadvantaged community – the need for the project in that community, • For NI components – the need for the education, encouragement and/or enforcement program.
9-13 Points	The application duly demonstrates "need" in the project area, and documents only 2 of the following clearly, and at least one other one partially: • the lack of connectivity, • the lack of mobility for non-motorized users, • local health concerns (does it include a comparison to statewide health data?), AND if applicable • For projects benefiting a disadvantaged community – the need for the project in that community, • For NI components – the need for the education, encouragement and/or enforcement program
4-8 Points	The application somewhat demonstrates "need" in the project area, and documents only 1 of the following clearly, and at least one other partially: • the lack of connectivity, • the lack of mobility for non-motorized users, • local health concerns, AND if applicable • For NI components – the need for the education, encouragement and/or enforcement program

1-3 Points	The application minimally demonstrates "need" in the project area, and partially documents 1 of the following: • the lack of connectivity, • the lack of mobility for non-motorized users, • local health concerns, AND if applicable • For NI components – the need for the education, encouragement and/or enforcement program	
0 Points	The application does not demonstrate "need" in the project area in any of the three areas of need, and there is no mention of the need of the disadvantaged community and there is no mention of the NI program (if applicable).	

PLUS:

Special Instructions & Expectations for Evaluators:

The following checks and analysis must be done by the evaluator prior to awarding points:

- Does the applicant address how students will use and have access to the project?
- Projects can receive points for demonstrating the transportation needs of students of all ages, including high school and college/community college
- If the applicant simply states "schools" as a destination the project will connect, that does not warrant the two points.
- An applicant DOES NOT have to be a safe routes to school project in order to receive these
 points.

Points	Applicant's ability to demonstrate the active transportation needs of STUDENTS.	
2 Points	The application addresses the active transportation needs of students	
0 Points	The application does not address or mention the active transportation needs of students	

B. Describe how the proposed project will address the active transportation need: (0-19 points)

Special Instructions & Expectations for Evaluators:

- "Need" must be considered in the context of the "Potential for increased walking and bicycling"
- "The proposed project will address" must be considered in all of the following "needs":
 - the lack of connectivity,
 - o the lack of mobility for non-motorized users,
 - local health concerns
- To receive the maximum points, applicants must demonstrate **all** of the above aspects of "need" for each improvement category.
 - Since each category addresses a different need, the answers provided should be specific to the improvement category.
- The amount of points an applicant/project receives on this sub-question is **not impacted by the number of categories** documented for addressing the active transportation need.
 - An application only documenting one category has the potential to receive full points as long
 as it can fully meet the scoring criteria. It is up to the applicant to demonstrate that additional
 categories are not appropriate for the project to better or more fully address the need.
 - An application documenting numerous categories should not automatically receive additional points. It is up to the applicant to demonstrate that the project scope connected to each category is **relevant** to the non-motorized users' needs in the project limits.

A "very important destination" includes those that offer access to goods, services and activities that society considers particularly important i.e. a hospital, a grocery store, a transit station, a community

center, a retail center, or an employment center (where the community can reasonably expect to find employment). The applicant can also make a case for other destinations that are very important to the community benefiting from the proposed project.

The following checks and analysis must be done by the evaluator prior to awarding points:

- Evaluate if the applicant demonstrates that the proposed improvements are the best solution to address the need(s) described in sub-question A.
- Evaluate if the destinations shown in the application are reasonably accessible by non-motorized users.
- Determine if an increase in active transportation modes can be realized by the project.
- Determine if the local public health department and/or local non-profit that provides support for health equity/addressing health disparities:
 - Was involved in aspects of the application such as supporting public engagement, developing project scope, supporting data and statistics to highlight the public health need, etc. AND
 - o Will continue to be engaged in the implementation of the project/program.

Points	Applicant's ability to make a case that the project will address need for active transportation.
15-19 Points	The answers in Part B clearly demonstrate without a doubt that the project will best address the active transportation needs presented in Part A by: • creating or improving links or connections, • encouraging use of routes to very important destinations and community identified destinations.
10-14 Points	The answers in Part B demonstrate that the project will address the active transportation needs presented in Part A by: • creating or improving links or connections, • encouraging use of routes to very important destinations and community identified destinations.
5-9 Points	The answers in Part B somewhat demonstrate that the project has the potential to address the active transportation needs presented in Part A by: (only 1 of the following) • creating or improving links or connections, • encouraging use of routes to very important destinations and community identified destinations.
1-4 Points	The answers in Part B minimally demonstrates that the project may address the active transportation needs presented in Part A by partially doing 1 of the following: • creating or improving links or connections, • encouraging use of routes to very important destinations and community identified destinations.
0 Points	The application did not demonstrate in any way that the project would address the need presented in part A.

PLUS:

Special Instructions & Expectations for Evaluators:

- Does the applicant address how the improvements will help students access to the project?
- Projects can receive points for demonstrating the transportation needs of students of all ages, including high school and college/community college
- If the applicant simply states "schools" as a destination that does not warrant the one point.

An applicant DOES NOT have to be a safe routes to school project in order to receive this point.

Points	Applicant's ability to make a case that the proposal that will increase the number of active transportation trips accomplished by STUDENTS.	
1 Point	The project will increase the proportion of active transportation trips accomplished by students	
0 Points	The project will not increase the proportion of active transportation trips accomplished by students	

QUESTION #3: POTENTIAL FOR REDUCING THE NUMBER AND/OR RATE OR THE RISK OF PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLIST FATALITIES AND INJURIES, INCLUDING THE IDENTIFICATION OF SAFETY HAZARDS FOR PEDESTRIANS AND BICYCLISTS. (0-20 POINTS)

A. Describe the project location's history of pedestrian and bicycle collisions resulting in fatalities and injuries to non-motorized users, which this project will mitigate. (10 points max)

Expectations for Evaluators:

Evaluators should evaluate all attachments, including:

- The "County/City Heat Map" and the "Community Heat Map" of the area surrounding the project limits: Points are based on the maps demonstrating that the relative collision history within the project limits is high when compared to the overall jurisdiction/community's collision history, suggesting that the project limits represents one of their highest safety needs.
 - Note: If an applicant can explain **why** they are building the project despite the lack of collision data, they can still receive the majority or all of the points. Examples of reasons why an applicant may choose to build a project in an area with no collisions are:
 - It is a new facility.
 - It is so unsafe that there is no bike/ped activity, or it has been banned (i.e. school campus rules).
 - Some communities have residents that do not report collisions.
 - o If the project is not in one of the highest density crash locations, does the applicant **thoroughly** explain *why* this location was chosen?
- <u>Project Area Collision Map:</u> Points are based on the map demonstrating that the past collision locations are within the "Influence Area" of the proposed safety improvements. Evaluators should consider the overall project limits AND the limits of the specific improvements/scope of the project.
- <u>Collision Summaries and collision lists/reports</u>: Points are based on summaries, lists, and reports demonstrating the overall number of collisions and that collision trends, collision types, and collision details will be positively impacted by the proposed safety improvements.
 - Note: Applicants are allowed to provide safety data in a different format if they prefer OR if they do not have the collision data.
 - These different data formats that can also show the safety need include: surveys from communities asking about the safety of the project area, near miss data, information from crowd sourcing applications (such as Street Story), etc.
 - If an applicant uses an alternate format for safety data, they **must** still attach the appropriate documentation to prove the safety concerns of the project area

Influence Area Guidance

A project's expected safety "Influence Area" (i.e. where a project has the potential to mitigate) must be reasonable. The project's "Influence Area" is established by the applicant and in the TIMS ATP Tool is depicted by the "Project Area Collision Map".

The following are some general criteria to guide applicants and evaluators in determining appropriate "Influence Area" and/or overall project area for their proposed safety improvements/countermeasures (These criteria are defined in the Caltrans Highway Safety Improvement Program Application Instructions). Prior to scoring the Safety Question, the evaluator should assess and try to confirm that the applicant's "project area" (or Influence Area) shown in their maps is reasonable with respect to the following criteria:

- New Traffic Signals: crashes within 250 feet of the new signal.
- For intersection or mid-block crossing improvements, collisions that occurred within 250 feet of the intersection/mid-block crossing in all directions affected by the improvement may be used.
- Longitudinal Improvements (bike lanes, sidewalks, road diets, etc.): crashes potentially effected by and within the limits of the improvement.

- If the improvements represent a new route and there is no past crash and safety data available within the limits of the proposed improvements, the applicant should consider the potential for the project to eliminate or reduce existing conflict points on parallel routes.
- The crash data from parallel routes can be included where the new facility/route can be reasonably expected to reduce the likelihood of past crashes from reoccurring. The overall applicant data provided in the Narrative Questions and various attachments must support the use of parallel crash data.

Special Instructions:

Applicants are **required** to respond to question **1 or 2**, and have the **option** to respond to **both**.

Sub-questions 1 and/or 2 and 3 do not receive any points. The evaluator should verify that the required information in 1 and/or 2 and 3 is provided and complete. If the evaluator team determines the information is **incomplete**, **inconsistent**, **or has been manipulated** they should note this in their evaluation comments and the application should **not** receive full points for Part A.

The following "Minimum Requirements" must be met for the application to receive any of these points:

- Applicant must provide the output files from the new TIMS ATP tool (or they may use their own collision database data/software to produce equivalent documents).
- Only pedestrian and bicycle collisions are included.
- The output files provided by the Applicant must meet the following parameters:
 - The project's "Influence area", as defined by the applicant and shown in the output documents, must be consistent with the project maps/plans attached to the application AND must be reasonable per the "Influence Area" guidance below.
 - Evaluators should consider point reductions for this question if the applicant included crash data that does not **reasonably** tie to the influence area of the proposed "safety" improvements AND the applicant does not provide a reasonable explanation for choosing the project location.
 - The collisions represent the most recent 5-11 years of available crash data. (Note: SWITRS and TIMS crash data is typically 1.5 to 2.5 years old before it is loaded into the crash database).
 - database data/software, then the following additional checks and analysis must be done by the evaluators prior to awarding points:
 - Crashes are from official crash reports. The full crash reports do not have to be included, but their report number and agency must be identifiable.
 - Only pedestrian and bicycle crashes are included.
 - The number of crashes entered into the table is directly supported by both the map and the listing.
 - Attachments must be included to support alternative data (surveys, school policy or letter from school explaining policy to discourage walking and biking due to safety, etc.)
- The data entered in the application-table is accurate and reflects the documentation the applicant provides abiding to the above requirements.
- The applicant demonstrated that they analyzed the past crash/safety data to identify the specific crash-type trends which will likely occur in the future if no action is taken.
- The applicant demonstrated there are significant safety threats to pedestrians and/or bicycles which can be mitigated by ATP eligible improvements.

Special Instructions & Expectations for Evaluators:

The following checks and analysis must be done by the evaluator prior to awarding points:

• The applicant demonstrated that they analyzed the past crash/safety data to identify the specific crash-type trends which will likely occur in the future if no action is taken.

 The applicant demonstrated there are significant safety threats to pedestrians and/or bicycles which can be mitigated by ATP eligible improvements.

Points	Applicant's ability to demonstrate the project location represents one of the agency's top priorities for addressing ongoing safety. And applicant's ability to demonstrate that they have analyzed their past Crash/Safety Data and the proposed safety improvements correspond to the types and locations of the past collisions.
	The applicant included a <u>Project Area Collision Map</u> that demonstrates that the past collision locations are within the Influence Area of the proposed safety improvements. <u>Collision Summaries and collision lists/reports</u> demonstrate the overall number of collisions is significant and that collision trends, collision types, and collision details will be positively impacted by the proposed safety improvements, OR an applicant was able to <u>clearly and convincingly</u> explain <i>why</i> they are building the project despite the lack of collision data <u>and</u> why this location is one of the top safety concerns despite the collision history.
8-10 Points	 The application clearly and convincingly shows: That the past crash/safety data was analyzed by the applicant to identify the specific crash-type trends that will likely occur in the future if no action is taken, Collision types and collision details will be positively impacted by the proposed safety improvements. there are significant safety threats to pedestrians and/or bicycles that can be mitigated by ATP eligible improvements.
	Project Area Collision Map demonstrates that some of the past collision locations are within the "Influence area" of the proposed safety improvements. Collision Summaries and collision lists/reports demonstrate the overall number of collisions is significant and that collision trends, collision types, and collision details will be positively impacted by the proposed safety improvements, OR an applicant was able to convincingly explain why they are building the project despite the lack of collision data and why this location is one of the top safety concerns despite the collision history.
5-7 Points	 The application convincingly shows: that the past crash/safety data was analyzed by the applicant to identify the specific crash-type trends that will likely occur in the future if no action is taken, Collision trends, collision types, and collision details will be somewhat impacted by the proposed safety improvements. there are moderate safety threats to pedestrians and/or bicycles that can be mitigated by ATP eligible improvements. AND if applicable For NI components – moderately explains how the project educates bicyclists, pedestrians, and/or drivers about safety hazards and encourages safe behavior including through enforcement.

Project Area Collision Map demonstrates that a **few** of the past collision locations are within the Influence Area of the proposed safety improvements. Collision Summaries and collision lists/reports demonstrate the overall number of collisions is significant and that collision trends, collision types, and collision details will be positively impacted by the proposed safety improvements, **OR** an applicant was able to somewhat explain why they are building the project despite the lack of collision data and why this location is one of the top safety concerns despite the collision history. The application **somewhat shows:** that the past crash/safety data was looked at by the applicant to identify the specific crash-type trends that will likely occur in the future if no action is taken. Collision trends, collision types, and collision details will be minimally impacted by the proposed safety improvements. there are minimal safety threats to pedestrians and/or bicycles that can be mitigated by ATP eligible improvements. **AND** if applicable For NI components - minimally explains how the project educates bicyclists. pedestrians, and/or drivers about safety hazards and encourages safe behavior including through enforcement. Project Area Collision Map demonstrates that a **few** of the past collision locations are within the Influence Area of the proposed safety improvements. Collision Summaries and collision lists/reports demonstrate the overall number of collisions is significant and that collision trends. collision types, and collision details will be positively impacted by the proposed safety improvements, **OR** an applicant was able to minimally explain why they are building the project despite the lack of collision data and why this location is one of the top safety concerns despite the collision history. The application doesn't really show: that the past crash/safety data was analyzed by the applicant to identify the specific crash-type trends that will likely occur in the future if no action is taken, there are almost no safety threats to pedestrians and/or bicycles that can be mitigated by ATP eligible improvements. AND if applicable For NI components – does not explain how the project educates bicyclists. pedestrians, and/or drivers about safety hazards or encourages safe behavior including through enforcement. Evaluators can award a score of zero if they believe the application does not provide any verifiable data AND does not explain why the project location was chosen despite low collision history, AND does not provide any data-driven documentation to demonstrate that the

0 Points

1 Point

2-4

Points

Evaluators can award a score of zero if they believe the application **does not provide any** verifiable data **AND** does not explain why the project location was chosen despite low collision history, **AND** does not provide any data-driven documentation to demonstrate that the proposed project represents one of the jurisdiction/community's highest safety needs **AND** does not demonstrate that collision trends, collision types, and collision details will be positively impacted by the proposed safety improvements, **AND** the applicant did not analyze their past collision/safety data or propose safety improvements that correspond to the types and locations of the past collisions.

B. Safety Countermeasures (10 points max)

Describe how the project improvements will remedy (one or more) potential safety hazards that contribute to pedestrian and/or bicyclist injuries or fatalities. Referencing the information you provided in Part A, demonstrate how the proposed countermeasures directly address the underlying factors that are contributing to the occurrence of pedestrian and/or bicyclist collisions.

Breakdown of points:

The amount of points an applicant/project receives on Part B is <u>not impacted by the number</u> of "Potential safety hazards" and "Countermeasures" documented in the application.

- Applications only documenting one "Potential safety hazard" / "Countermeasure" have the
 potential of receiving full points as long as they can fully meet the scoring criteria and
 demonstrate that implementing only one countermeasure is appropriate to fully address the
 existing hazards.
- Applications documenting numerous "Potential safety hazards" / "Countermeasures" should not
 automatically receive additional or full points. It is up to the applicant to demonstrate that each
 safety hazard is relevant to the non-motorized users in the project limits and that each
 countermeasure being funded by the project is necessary to mitigate the potential for future
 crashes.
- Projects that appear to include elements/costs with few or no safety benefits should **not** receive as many points as projects with highly effective & efficient use of limited funding.

Special Instructions & Expectations for Evaluators:

- Evaluate the level to which the applicant demonstrated that they analyzed the past crash/safety data trends and appropriately selected safety countermeasure(s) with **proven track record(s)** for addressing the past trends.
- Evaluate the level to which the applicant demonstrated that each proposed safety countermeasure(s) is appropriate to mitigate the potential for future non-motorized crashes in the area of the project.

Points	Applicant's ability to demonstrate the project will remedy (one or more) potential safety hazards with the project limits.
9-10 Points	 The applicant clearly and convincingly demonstrates that: the proposed countermeasure(s) have a proven track record for addressing the past crash/safety needs addressed in Part A, the applicant has described remedies for each need addressed in Part A, AND the proposed implementation of the countermeasure(s) should fully mitigate the potential for future non-motorized crashes in the area of the project.
6-8 Points	The applicant demonstrates fairly well that: • the proposed countermeasure(s) have a proven track record for addressing the past crash/safety needs addressed in Part A, AND • the proposed implementation of the countermeasure(s) should significantly (but not fully) mitigate the potential for future non-motorized crashes in the area of the project.
3-5 Points	The applicant adequately demonstrates that: • the proposed countermeasure(s) can address the past crash/safety needs addressed in Part A, AND • the proposed implementation of the countermeasure(s) should somewhat mitigate the potential for future non-motorized crashes in the area of the project.

1-2 Points	The applicant minimally demonstrates that: • the proposed countermeasure(s) can address the past crash/safety needs addressed in part A, AND • there are doubts as to whether the implementation of the proposed countermeasure(s) will mitigate the potential for future non-motorized crashes in the area of the project.
0 Points	Evaluators can award a score of zero if they believe that the application does not in any way prove the safety need of the proposed project and the countermeasures explained do not have the potential to mitigate future collisions.

QUESTION #4: PUBLIC PARTICIPATION and PLANNING (0-10 POINTS)

Describe the community based public participation process that culminated in the project.

A. What is/was the process of defining future policies, goals, investments and designs to prepare for future needs of users of this project? How did the applicant analyze the wide

range of alternatives and impacts on the transportation system to influence beneficial outcomes? (3 points max)

General Guidance on stakeholders and their involvement in a project:

There is a difference between outreach and engagement. Applicants that engage constituents should receive a higher score than those that conduct only outreach.

- Engagement: is a two-way process, involving inclusive interaction and listening, with the goal of generating mutual benefit and agreement on a project. Engagement allows stakeholders to initiate input, provide input that may change the design or the scope of the project.
- Outreach: is a way to connect, inform, and get feedback from stakeholders. Outreach does not always allow for changes to the design or scope of a project; it is akin to an in-depth and wellinformed marketing campaign to a targeted audience.

Special Instructions & Expectations for Evaluators:

The level of expected planning for a project is **directly connected** to the **magnitude and complexity** of the proposed changes/designs and to the impacts to the overall active transportation network.

 Projects with larger scopes and costs should demonstrate a more extensive internal planning process, including the analysis of a wide range of alternatives.

- Consider the level to which the applicant demonstrated the agency's active transportation technical planning conducted as part of developing and refining of the project scope.
- Consider the level to which the technical planning considered both existing and future needs of the project users and transportation system.
- Consider whether or not the outreach and engagement process was ongoing and shows recent stakeholder support.
 - Outreach and engagement from previous Plans can be cited, but applicants should explain how it was determined that this project was still a high priority for the community, especially for larger projects.
- Consider the level to which the process was effectively integrated into the public participation process.

Points	Applicant's ability to demonstrate the public participation process will be utilized as part of the development of a plan.
3 Points	 The applicant clearly and convincingly demonstrates that: The project scope was developed through a comprehensive technical planning process appropriate for the complexity and magnitude of the project, and that allowed for public input to shape the project, The planning process considered the existing and future needs of the project users and transportation system, The outreach and engagement process utilized has been ongoing and shows recent stakeholder support, The planning process was effectively integrated into the public participation process.

2 Points	 The project scope was developed through a sufficient technical planning process (appropriate for the complexity and magnitude of the project) The planning process considered the existing and future needs of the project users and transportation system The planning process was effectively integrated into the public participation process.
1 Point	 The project scope was developed through a poor technical planning process (not appropriate for the complexity and magnitude of the project) The planning process marginally considered the existing and future needs of the project users and transportation system The planning process was not effectively integrated into the public participation process.
0 Points	Evaluators can award a score of zero if they believe that the application does not in any way prove the project scope is a result of technical planning and does not in any way consider the existing and future needs of the project users.

B. Who: Describe who was/will be engaged in the identification and development of this project and how they were engaged. Describe and provide documentation of the type, extent, and duration of outreach and engagement conducted to relevant stakeholders. (3 points max)

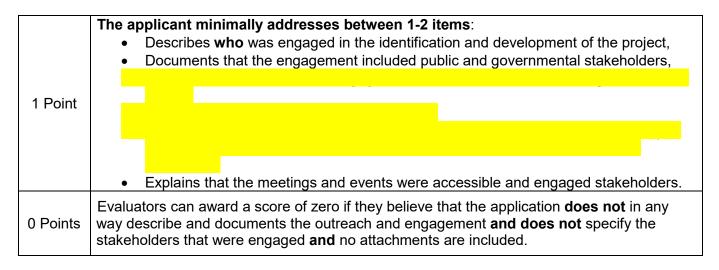
General Guidance on stakeholders and their involvement in a project:

- <u>Public</u> stakeholders can include, but are not limited to, residents, targeted end users, community leaders, elected officials, advocacy organizations, local businesses, and members of vulnerable or underserved populations (i.e. elderly, youth, physically and/or mentally disabled, members from disadvantaged communities, etc.)
 - Consider the level to which the attachments show the applicant engaged the disadvantaged community the project is supposed to be benefitting (when applicable).
 - Were the stakeholders allowed to give input that changed the project?
- Governmental stakeholders can include other departments, agencies, jurisdictions, etc. impacted
 by the proposed project that are NOT the applicant (these can include, but are not limited to law
 enforcement, transportation, local health department, schools/school districts, emergency
 services, metropolitan planning organization, etc.)
- Meetings and/or events. How many were held to engage stakeholders is key to Public Participation? These can include, but are not limited to:
 - The type of meetings or events: open houses, community charrettes, city council meetings, planning commission meetings, tables or booths at farmer's markets, door-todoor solicitation, etc.
 - How the meetings or events were noticed: local newspaper, county website, on the radio, Facebook, Twitter, at school parents group meetings, at church, local publications in other languages, flyers, etc.
 - How the meetings or events were documented: Meeting sign-in sheets, meeting notes, letters of support, photos, etc.
 - Where the meetings or events took place: school, community center, city council hall, etc.
 - The accessibility of the meetings or events: accessible by public transportation, translation services provided, child care provided, time of day the meetings or events were held that best meet the needs of the community, food provided, etc.
 - o **The stakeholders' involvement in the decision-making body:** technical advisory committee, citizens' advisory committee, etc.

Special Instructions & Expectations for Evaluators:

- Points should be awarded based on the extent that the relevant stakeholders were engaged in the
 development of the project and the level of community outreach and meeting/event accessibility
- The level of expected public outreach and participation for a project is directly connected to the
 magnitude and complexity of the proposed project and the community characteristics being served
 and/or impacted by the project.
- Consider all attachments the agency provided in connection with this sub-question, including but not limited to: any applicable public outreach process/proposal/plan, links to websites, meeting agenda, meeting sign-in sheet, meeting minutes, public service announcements, letters of support, photos, surveys, etc.
 - o IF an applicant **did not attach ANY** documentation to show a thorough and effective public engagement process the application should **not** receive full points.
- Consider the extent that the relevant stakeholders were engaged in the development of the project
 and the level of community outreach and meeting/event accessibility in relation to the magnitude and
 complexity of the proposed project and the community characteristics being served and/or impacted
 by the project, and how recent the latest outreach was held.
- Additional consideration can be given for documented outreach which has been ongoing for a longer duration.

Points	Applicant's ability to demonstrate <i>who</i> participated in the public participation process that took place in development of the proposed project, including documentation of the outreach and engagement conducted.
3 Points	 The applicant clearly and convincingly: Describes who was engaged in the identification and development of the project, Documents that the engagement included all appropriate levels of public and governmental stakeholders, Shows that the stakeholders engaged was/is appropriate for the magnitude of the project, Documented the outreach and engagement, Shows in the attachments that the applicant fully engaged the stakeholders the project is supposed to be benefitting, including the disadvantaged community (when applicable), Explains that the meetings and events were fully accessible and effectively engaged all project stakeholders.
2 Points	 The applicant sufficiently: Describes who was engaged in the identification and development of the project, Documents that the engagement included all appropriate levels of public and governmental stakeholders, Shows that the stakeholders engaged was/is appropriate for the magnitude of the project, Documented the outreach and engagement, Shows in the attachments that the applicant sufficiently engaged the stakeholders the project is supposed to be benefitting, including the disadvantaged community (when applicable), Explains that the meetings and events were accessible and effectively engaged some project stakeholders.



C. What: Describe the feedback received during the stakeholder engagement process and describe how the public participation and planning process has improved the project's overall effectiveness at meeting the purpose and goals of the ATP. (2 points max)

Breakdown of points:

- The extent that the public participation and planning process was utilized to identify the highest community/regional active transportation priorities and to ensure the effectiveness of the project at meeting the purpose for the ATP through the use of stakeholder feedback.
- The magnitude to which the project represents a high local-community vs. regional priority.
- The extent to which the public participation was utilized to inform the identification of the project and/or allow for changes (if needed) and feedback on the scope and/or design of the project.

Special Instructions & Expectations for Evaluators:

- Give consideration to all attachments the agency provided in connection with this sub-question, including but not limited to: any applicable meeting minutes, letters of support, new alternatives or revisions that were identified, etc.
- Consider the level to which the letters of support emphasize that the project represents the top or one
 of the top active transportation priorities for the community, targeted end users, or public
 stakeholders.
- Consider the extent that the public participation and planning process was utilized to:
 - Improve the effectiveness of the project;
 - Were changes made to the original design based on feedback?
 - What were priorities for the community being engaged and how were those priorities implemented in the design?
 - o Ensure the project is one of the highest community/regional active transportation priorities.
- Consider the magnitude of the proposed project when considering the extent to which the project represents one of the highest community/regional active transportation priorities.

Points	Applicant's ability to demonstrate that feedback was received and how it was/will be used to improve the project's overall effectiveness.
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2 Points	 The applicant clearly and convincingly demonstrates that: The project scope is fully supported by the feedback received during the public participation and planning process, This process was fully utilized to identify and improve the project's overall effectiveness, The public participation and planning process was fully utilized to ensure the project is one of the highest community/regional active transportation priorities.
1 Point	 The project scope is somewhat supported by the feedback received during the public participation and planning process, This process has somewhat improved the project's effectiveness The project may or may not be one of the highest community/regional active transportation priorities.
0 Points	Evaluators can award a score of zero if they believe that the application does not in any way prove project scope is supported by the feedback received during the public participation and planning process, AND the project is not a high community/regional active transportation priority.

D. Describe how stakeholders will continue to be engaged in the implementation of the project. (1 point max)

Points	The applicant's ability to demonstrate that stakeholders will continue to be engaged in the implementation of the project/program/plan.
1 Point	The applicant demonstrates that project stakeholders will continue to be engaged in the implementation of the project/program/plan.
0 Points	Evaluators can award a score of zero if they believe that the application does not demonstrate that project stakeholders will continue to be engaged in the implementation of the project/program/plan.

E. This project is specifically listed in an approved Transportation Plan. (1 point max)

Points	This project is specifically listed in an approved Transportation Plan
1 Point	This project is specifically listed in an approved Transportation Plan.
0 Points	This project is NOT specifically listed in an approved Transportation Plan.

QUESTION #5: CONTEXT SENSITIVE BIKEWAYS/WALKWAYS AND INNOVATIVE PROJECT ELEMENTS (0-5 POINTS)

A. Context sensitive bikeways/walkways

How are the "recognized best" solutions employed in this project appropriate to maximize user comfort and for the local community context?

As you address this question consider the following:

- The posted speed limits and actual speed,
- The existing and future motorized and non-motorized traffic volume,
- The widths for each facility,
- The amount of physical separation from vehicular traffic
- The adjacent land use, and
- How the project is advancing a low(er) stress environment on each facility or a low stress network
 - What is the current stress level? (low, medium or high)
 - o If the stress level is medium or high, is the project going beyond minimum design standards to maximize potential users of all ages and abilities?

B. Innovative Elements

Does this project propose any solutions that are new to their region? Were any innovative elements considered, but not selected? Explain why they were not selected.

Special Instructions & Expectations for Evaluators:

- The project satisfies the purpose and needs of a full range of stakeholders.
- The project is a safe facility for both the user and the community.
- The project is in harmony with the community, and it preserves environmental, scenic, aesthetic, historic, and natural resource values of the area.
- The project exceeds the expectations of both designers and stakeholders and achieves a level of excellence in people's minds.
- The project involves efficient and effective use of the resources (time, budget, community) of all involved parties.
- The project is designed and built with minimal disruption to the community.
- The project is seen as having added lasting value to the community.

Points	The applicant's ability to demonstrate that the "recognized best" solutions employed in this project are appropriate to maximize user comfort and appropriate to the local community context. AND the applicant's ability to explain what innovative elements are being utilized, or why innovative elements were not selected.
5 Points	 The applicant clearly and convincingly demonstrates that: Recognized best solutions were employed in this project, and The project is proposing innovative solutions to best address the project's issues/needs,
	 or Recognized best solutions were employed and innovative elements were considered; and the reason for not selecting the innovative elements is very clear and compelling.

3-4 Points	 Recognized best solutions were employed in this project, and/or The project is proposing innovative solutions, or Viable innovative elements were considered and the explanation for not selecting the innovations is noted.
1-2 Points	 Recognized best solutions were employed, and/or Innovative elements were considered but not selected and no explanation was given.
0 Points	Evaluators can award a zero if the solutions are not appropriate to maximize user comfort, and innovative solutions were not proposed , or the reason for not selecting the innovations was not explained .

QUESTION #6: TRANSFORMATIVE PROJECTS (0-5 POINTS)

- A. Describe how your project will transform the non-motorized environment? Address the potential for this project to support existing and planned housing, especially affordable housing.
- B. Describe how other new or proposed funded projects or policies in the vicinity of this project will attribute to the transformative nature of this project?

As you address this question consider project types (including the following):

- Transit
- Land use & development
- Overall non-motorized network/Other active transportation projects
- Urban greening or public art locations
- Locally adopted policies

For funded projects please attach one of the following:

- The meeting minutes voting to fund the project, or
- The approved environmental document
- Other important documentation demonstrating the transformation

Special Instructions & Expectations for Evaluators:

- What local adopted policies are in place to support the project's potential to create transformative mode-shift?
- Samples of adopted policies which impact the non-motorized environment are attached.
- Goals, objectives, and performance measures for a complete walking and/or biking network i.e.
 Complete Streets policy.
- Goals, objectives, and performance measures for reducing pedestrian and/or bicyclist fatalities and serious injuries.
- Land use zoning, and other development standards.
- Supportive policy tools, such as planning checklists, project development checklists, and facility design guidelines.
- Is the potential for the project to support existing and planned housing, especially affordable housing addressed?

Points	Transforming the non-motorized environment and how other new or proposed funded projects or policies in the vicinity of this project will attribute to the transformative nature of this project
5 Points	 The applicant clearly and convincingly demonstrates that: The project is transforming the non-motorized environment, and/or This project is being combined with other projects or policy(ies) to make a transformative change, The applicant clearly addressed the potential for the project to support the existing and planned housing developments, especially affordable housing.
3-4 Points	 The applicant sufficiently demonstrates that: The project is transforming the non-motorized environment, and/or This project is being combined with other projects or policy(ies) to make a transformative change, The applicant addressed the potential for the project to support the existing and planned housing developments, especially affordable housing.

1-2 Points	 The applicant somewhat demonstrates that: The project is transforming the non-motorized environment and/or This project is being combined with other projects or policy(ies) to make a transformative change The applicant did not adequately address the potential for the project to support the existing and planned housing developments, especially affordable housing. 	
0 Points	Evaluators can award a zero if the applicant could not show that the project will have a transformative effect on the non-motorized environment.	

QUESTION #7: LEVERAGING FUNDS (0-5 POINTS)

Breakdown of points:

Points will be awarded based on the amount of the non-ATP funding pledged to the project.

The Commission will only consider cash funds for leveraging. Pre-construction phases funded by the local agency will be considered for leveraging even if the funds were expended before the application deadline.

Except for State Transportation Improvement Program funding, the Commission will only consider funds that are not allocated by the Commission on a project specific basis as eligible funds for leveraging points. The Commission will not consider in-kind or non-infrastructure funds as eligible for leveraging.

1 Point	At least 1% to 5% of total project cost
2 Points	More than 5% to less than 10% of total project cost
3 Points	More than 10% to 15% of total project cost
4 Points	More than 15% to 20% of total project cost
5 Points	More than 20% of total project cost

Applications submitted by Tribal Governments (federally recognized Native American Tribes) will be awarded five leveraging points.

QUESTION #8: SCOPE AND PLAN LAYOUT CONSISTENCY AND COST EFFECTIVENESS (0-7 POINTS)

A. Complete Attachment B (Engineer's Checklist).

Applicants are required to complete Attachment B as part of all Infrastructure applications.

Breakdown of points:

Evaluators will consider the following:

- Consistency between the Layouts/Maps, Engineer's estimate and Proposed Scope
- Compliance with the Engineer's Checklist
- Complete project schedule

Special Instructions & Expectations for Evaluators:

If the applicant failed to follow any directions in filling out the Engineer's checklist and associated attachments, the evaluator should **not** give full points for this sub-question and should use their best judgment to choose the score they believe best represents the information given.

Points	Evaluating Layouts/Maps
4 Points	The submitted layouts/maps are complete , clear , and provide sufficient detail to determine the full scope of the proposed project
2-3 Points	The submitted layouts/maps contain enough detail and/or organization to outline the various elements of the proposed project; but may be unclear in some areas.
1 Point	The submitted layouts/maps are poorly developed or vague in outlining the various elements of the proposed project
0 Points	The applicant failed to provide layouts/maps

Points	Evaluating Engineer's Estimate
2 Points	The submitted estimate is thorough and consistent with the elements and phases of the proposed project; and the cost effectiveness is apparent
1 Point	The submitted estimate lacks sufficient detail but is mostly consistent with the proposed project and/or the cost effectiveness is not as apparent
0 Points	The applicant failed to provide an estimate that matches the proposed elements, and/or the project is not cost effective

Note - A project's cost effectiveness is considered to be the **relative costs** of the project in comparison to the **project's benefits** as defined by the purpose and goals of the ATP. This includes the consideration of the safety and mobility benefit in relation to both the total project cost and the funds provided.

Points	Evaluating the Project Schedule
1 Points	The submitted schedule fully incorporates necessary phases and provides adequate time to complete the phases (PA&ED, PS&E, ROW, CON and CON-NI).
0 Points	The submitted schedule failed to incorporate necessary phases and/or does not provide adequate time to complete the phases (PA&ED, PS&E, ROW, CON and CON-NI).