



Transportation Enhancement Program Overview

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Agenda

- **TE Program –Legislative History**
- **TE Project Eligibility**
- **TE Program Implementation –
(historical overview)**
- **Call for Projects – TE application
process**
- **Next Call for Projects**
- **Q&A**

Legislative History

The Transportation Enhancement Program was established by the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991 (ISTEA) and continued with the enactment of the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (TEA-21) in 1998.

In fall 2005, the program was continued with the signing of the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU).

TE Eligible Activities

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The list of qualifying TE activities provided in 23 U.S.C. 101(a)(35) is intended to be exclusive, not illustrative. That is, only those activities listed therein are eligible as TE activities. They are listed below. (*Items listed in italics are those amended in SAFETEA-LU*):

- **Provision of facilities for pedestrians and bicycles.**
- **Provision of safety and educational activities for pedestrians and bicyclists.**
- **Acquisition of scenic easements and scenic or historic sites (*including historic battlefields*).**
- **Scenic or historic highway programs (including the provision of tourist and welcome center facilities).**
- **Landscaping and other scenic beautification.**

TE Eligible Activities

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- Historic preservation.
- Rehabilitation and operation of historic transportation buildings (including historic railroad facilities and canals).
- Preservation of abandoned railway corridors (including the conversion and use *of the corridors* for pedestrian or bicycle trails).
- *Inventory*, control, and removal of outdoor advertising.
- Archaeological planning and research.
- Environmental mitigation to address water pollution due to highway runoff
- Establishment of transportation museums.

Types of TE Projects

Pedestrian / bicycle



Types of TE Projects

Scenic easements



Types of TE Projects

Landscaping & beautification



Types of TE Projects

Historic structure preservation



Types of TE Projects

Preservation of railway corridors



Types of TE Projects

Transportation museums & local welcome centers



Types of TE Projects

Environmental Mitigation



Model of Last Mile project L19
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Community Impact

- Improved pedestrian facilities
- Economic vitality
- Increased tourism
- Revitalized communities
- Better quality of life



TE Program Implementation HISTORICAL OVERVIEW

■ Federal Fiscal Year

– '94-'95	77
– '96-'97	58
– '98-'99	103
– '00-'01	135
– '02-'03	135
– '04-'05	128
– '06-'07	151

Total	787
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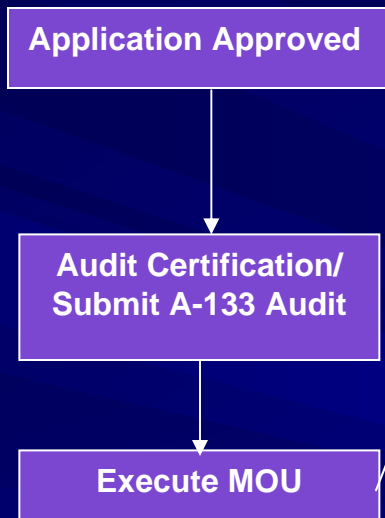


Total Funding by Call

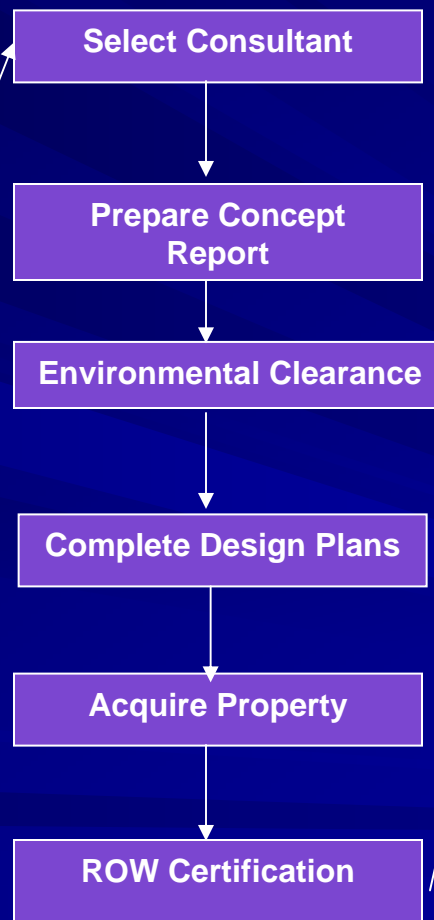
FY 06-07	\$55,848,249
FY 05-04	\$55,319,953
FY 02-03	\$51,869,385
FY 00-01	\$48,802,776
FY 98-99	<u>\$28,999,856</u>
Total	\$238,801,853

TRANSPORTATION ENHANCEMENT (TE) PROCESS FLOW CHART

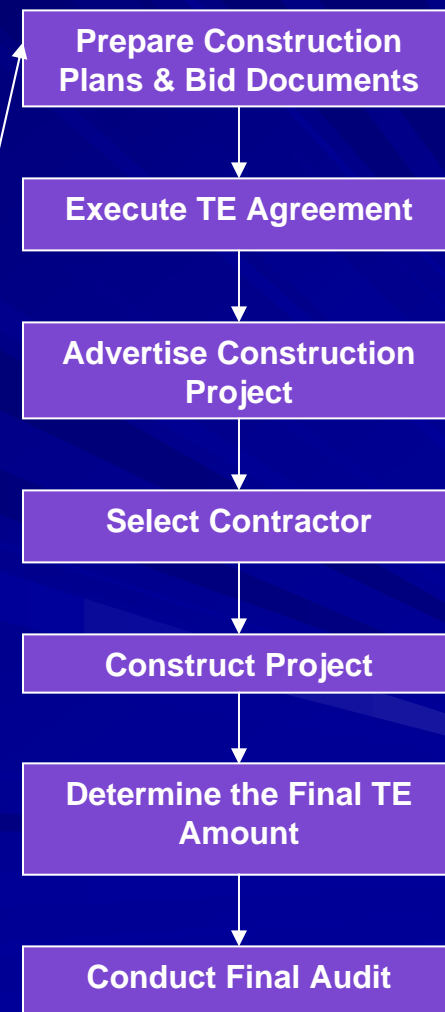
Initial Concept



Design & ROW



Construction



TE Call for Projects

April 2 – June 15, 2007

APPLICATION PROCESS

- **2000 Call Announcement letters mailed out in January 2007.**
- **TE Applicant Workshops- Seven (7) will be held across the state during the first month of the call**
- **Web-based TE applications are submitted electronically prior to the deadline of 3PM, June 15, 2007**
- **One signed original is mailed and postmarked by the deadline**
- **Internal Technical reviews are conducted**
- **TE Advisory Panel review applications**
- **State Transportation Board members review all submitted applications and make final selections of funded TE projects**

TE Call for Projects: ROLE OF TE ADVISORY PANEL

- **TE Advisory Panel is a collection of experts that evaluates applications and ranks them high, medium, or low**
- **30 members from various organizations:**
 - Local Governments
 - Non-profits
 - Private Industry
 - State Agencies
 - RDC and MPO representatives
 - Local Associations

TE Call for Projects: ROLE OF TE ADVISORY PANEL

- Combined time spent during the last review process: 780 Hours**
- This included individual reviews and participation in the 2 day workshop**
- All panel member time is volunteer**

Transportation Board Members VITAL TO TE SUCCESS

- **Contact from your public entities**
- **Review TE Applications for your Congressional District**
- **Make funding level decisions**
- **Meet with TE Program Coordinator, Carleton Fisher - to address application questions and review final project selections spreadsheet.**

Transportation Board Members Project Selection

Project Name	City	County	Panel Rating	Total Project Cost	Federal Funds Requested	Board Member Funding
Streetscape, Tourism, and Trails	Waycross	Ware	High	\$1,222,250	\$975,000	
Bicycle/Pedestrian Facilities	Waycross	Ware	Medium	\$932,600	\$746,000	
Lewis and Clark Pedestrian Trail	Pitts	Wilcox	Low	\$100,466	\$80,372	

State Transportation Board Member Signature:

Date:

TE Call for Projects NEXT APPLICATION ROUND

- **FY08 & 09 Application cycle: April 2nd – June 15th**
- **Technical Reviews: June – mid July 2007**
- **Advisory Panel Reviews: July 2007**
- **Transportation Board to receive application packages prior to August 2007 Board Meeting**
- **Final Selections to be made by mid September**
- **Announcement on GDOT website – October 1, 2007**



TE Call for Projects AWARD ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **GDOT will post the selected projects on its website and one press release will go out for all of the newly selected projects from the Office of Communications.**



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QUESTIONS???