What are Community Improvement Activities?

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Community Improvement Activities

- Community improvement activities, include—
- (i) inventory, control, or removal of outdoor advertising
- (ii) historic preservation and rehabilitation of historic transportation facilities
- (iii) vegetation management practices in transportation rights-of-way to improve roadway safety, prevent against invasive species, and provide erosion control
- (iv) archaeological activities relating to impacts from implementation of a transportation project eligible under this title
Outdoor Advertising Management

- Billboard inventories, including those done with GIS/GPS
- Removal of illegal and non-conforming billboards
Historic Preservation & Rehabilitation of Historic Transportation Facilities

- Rehabilitation of bridges, rail trestles, tunnels, and canals;
- Restoration of railroad depots, bus stations, and lighthouses;
- Restoration and reuse of historic buildings for transportation-related purposes;
- Interpretive displays at historic sites.
Vegetation Management Practices

- Projects to manage vegetation to improve sightlines and other safety considerations;
- Removal of invasive species;
- Planting native plants, forbs, or wildflowers to manage erosion along transportation corridors.
- Establishing living snowfences.
- *Routine maintenance and operation is not eligible.*
Archaeological Activities

• Under TAP, archaeological activities must relate to impacts from implementation of a transportation project eligible under title 23.
• Developing interpretive signs, exhibits, and guides
• Inventories and surveys
Additional Eligibilities:

• Community improvement activities, which include but are not limited to:

• Streetscaping (such as improve pedestrian use)
• Corridor landscaping
• Junkyard screening and removal requirements
Streetscaping

- Cross-section Improvements
- Traffic Access Management
- Sidewalk Improvements
- Landscaping
- Street Furniture
- Signage
Corridor Landscaping & Scenic Enhancement

- Landscaping, including planting native wildflowers
- Lighting
- Roadside Vegetation Management
- Restoring native plants
- Controlling invasive species
- Creative Designs, Public Art*
- Utility Relocation (depends on State law)*
Junkyard Screening and Removal

- Screening of non-conforming junkyards with natural objects, fences, or other appropriate means
- Junkyard Relocation
Requirements

To be eligible under the TAP: a project:

1) must relate to surface transportation,
2) must fit within the TAP definitions,
3) must be sponsored by one or more eligible entities (defined in the TAP Guidance), and
3) must be selected through a competitive process (defined in the TAP Guidance).
Questions?