

State of Hawaii
Department of Transportation
Highways Division

Statewide Transportation Improvement Program – Project Eligibility

1. STIP projects must be consistent with the each county's long-range plan and/or the Statewide Transportation Plan (23 CFR 450.216(k)).
2. Proposed STIP projects shall be considered through established management systems (23 CFR 500.105).
3. Roadway projects typically are only eligible on roadways functionally classified greater than rural minor collector roads. Local neighborhood roads are NOT eligible for funding through the STIP.

Collector roads – A surface street providing land access and traffic circulation within residential, commercial and industrial areas. – as defined by HCM 2000.

Some projects off of functionally classified roadways are fundable if it falls under specific eligibility criteria. Please see "A Guide to Federal-Aid Programs" for more information.

<http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/federalaid/projects.cfm>

4. Projects must be "Ready to go" in the year that they are programmed to be funded or be deferred. Priorities and funding availability need to be analyzed before a deferred project can be rescheduled.

Projects must have cleared previous federal requirements, which include:

1. Construction projects must have FHWA approved Plans, Specifications and Estimates (PS&E).
2. For projects heading into Construction, land for the project must also have already been acquired.
3. Final design cannot proceed without clearance of all environmental issues.
4. Rights-of-Way acquisition also cannot occur without full environmental clearance.
5. All projects must also have the appropriate matching local funds in place.