

Call for New Joint Highway Committee (JHC) Project Applications

Project Application Schedule:

October 1, 2025 – Call for Project Applications

January 9, 2026 – All applications are due

February/March – 2026 – JHC Sub-Committees meet to evaluate applications

April 2026– The Full JHC approves sub-committee recommendations

May 2026 – Final Recommendations are forwarded to the Utah Transportation Commission

June 2026 – Draft STIP is approved to go out for public comment

Sept. 2026 – Final STIP is approved

January 9, 2026 – All applications will be due by 5:00 PM sent to the following email address (no hard copies):

cpotter@utah.gov

I will respond to your submission to confirm receiving your application. If you do not receive a response within 2 working days please contact me.

All applications will include the following information:

- 1) Cover Letter
- 2) On-line Application form – available from the UDOT Website at the following location:
<https://www.udot.utah.gov/connect/business/public-entities/local-government-program-assistance/>

Note: You must open the MS Word document as a template in order for the drop downs to work!

- 3) Concept Cost estimate spreadsheet – All applications will be required to use the Concept Cost Estimate form. The Concept Cost Estimate form is available from the UDOT Website at the following location:

<https://www.udot.utah.gov/connect/business/public-entities/local-government-program-assistance/>

Go to Estimator's Corner Dropdown Menu after navigating to the Roadway Design webpage.

- 4) Location Map(s)

The Joint Highway Committee (JHC) is now calling for new project applications in the following categories:

Non-Urban Funds (Populations < 5,000)

- **Project(s) may be selected for FY 2029**
- Project(s) need to be on Roads functionally classified as a Major Collector or higher**
- \$2,000,000 maximum amount of federal aid
- Required local match of 6.77%
- Cannot have more than one project in the program at a time
- **Special rule allows States to use up to 15% of funds sub-allocated for areas with a population of 50,000 or less on rural minor collectors and local roads. Call Chris Potter before applying to find out what the 15% is in dollars so you can scale your project accordingly.

State Park Access Funds (Program Closed for Applications this Year**)**

- **Project(s) may be selected for FY 2028**
- Maximum amount of state participation is \$500,000 per project.
- To be eligible for this program a road must be listed in the Utah Code in Sections 72-3-202 to 72-3-206.
- Local match 50%

Small Urban Funds (Populations 5,000 – 50,000)

- **Project(s) may be selected For FY 2028 & FY 2029**
- Projects need to be on Roads functionally classified as a Collector or higher**
- \$1,500,000 maximum amount of federal aid
- Required local match of 6.77%
- **Special rule allows States to use up to 15% of funds sub-allocated for areas with a population of 50,000 or less on rural minor collectors and local roads. Call Chris Potter before applying to find out what the 15% is in dollars so you can scale your project accordingly.

Off System Bridge Funds

- **Project(s) may be selected for FY 2028 & FY2029**
- Projects need to be on Roads functionally classified as Local or Rural Minor Collector
- No Maximum amount of federal aid
- Required local match of 6.77%
- **Verify your candidate bridge is not on the Bridge Program Funding List with UDOT Structures before applying at the following location: [Bridge Formula Program](#)**

Transportation Alternative Funds (Programs Closed for Applications this Year**)**

- **Project(s) will be selected for funding in:**
 - ~~Small Urban Areas FY 2026 & FY 2027~~
 - ~~Non Urban Areas FY 2026 & FY 2027~~
- Projects must meet one of the eligible categories (search “FHWA TAP Fact Sheet” for details)
- \$1,500,000 maximum amount of federal aid
- Required Match of 6.77%

In a change from prior years, Transportation Alternative projects located within any of the metropolitan planning areas will be received through the respective metropolitan planning organization for that area. All applications within the urbanized areas need to go directly to the MPO's as per MAP-21.

Applications in the Small Urban (5-50k) and Non-Urban (<5k) areas will be received and administered by a sub-committee of the Joint Highway Committee.