

**WCIEDD Metropolitan Planning Organization  
Transportation Enhancement Program  
Project Evaluation Form**

**Project Sponsor**

- City of Terre Haute
- Town of Seelyville
- Vigo County
- Town of West Terre Haute
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

TE Application Number:	_____
General Category Score:	_____
Category Score:	_____
Total Score:	0

**Project Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Project Location:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Project located inside the Urbanized Area Bounday?**     Yes     No

**Amount of Funding Requested:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Project Category:**

- Provision of facilities for pedestrians and bicycles
- Acquisition of scenic easements and scenic or historic sites
- Scenic or historic highway programs (including provision of tourist and welcome center facilities)
- Landscaping and other scenic beautification
- Historic preservation
- Rehabilitation and operation of historic transportation buildings, structures or facilities (including historic railroad facilities and canals)
- Preservation of abandoned railway corridors (including the conversion and use thereof for pedestrian or bike pathways)
- Control and removal of outdoor advertising
- Archaeological planning and research
- Environmental mitigation to address water pollution due to highway runoff or reduce vehicle-caused wildlife mortality while maintaining habitat connectivity
- Provision of safety and educational activities for pedestrians and bicyclists
- Establishment of Transportation Museums

**Transportation Policy Committee (TPC) Action:**

- Project approved. Federal funding amount: \_\_\_\_\_
- Project disapproved.

**Remarks:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Transportation Policy Committee Chair

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

ATTESTS:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Metropolitan Planning Organization  
West Central Indiana Economic Development District

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**WCIEDD Metropolitan Planning Organization  
Transportation Enhancement Project Score Sheet  
General Category**

Applicant: \_\_\_ City of Terre Haute \_\_\_ Town of Seelyville \_\_\_ Vigo County \_\_\_ Town of West Terre Haute

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*Each submitted project application will be scored under the General Category. The score from this category and the score from the applicable project type category (i.e. Facilities for Pedestrians & Bicycles, Landscaping & Beautification, Historic Preservation, etc.) will be added together. The maximum combined for a project is 100 points (50 points General Category and 50 points Project Category).*

	Points	Max Points	Score
<b>Relationship to Transportation/Enhancement Criteria:</b>			
Project is directly related to the intermodal surface transportation system by reason of being part of the system, having a positive impact on the system or is in the proximity (adjacent/prominently visible) of the system and significantly enhances the transportation system.	4 - 6	6	
Project is incidental to the transpiration system.	1 - 3		
<b>Public Participation/Local Support</b>			
There is clear evidence of public participation, community involvement and local government and citizen support.	6 - 10	10	
Smaller groups are promoting a good idea.	2 - 5		
Limited evidence of community value/buy-in or vested interest in the project.	1		
<b>Early Coordination/Consultation with the MPO</b>			
There is clear evidence the MPO has been an integral member of the project development team since project conceptualization and the project is consistent with approved transportation plans.	3 - 5	5	
Project coordination with the MPO occurred at least 6-months prior to the date of submission of this application.	1 - 2		
There is little or no evidence of prior project coordination with the MPO.	0		
<b>Maintenance:</b>			
There is evidence/commitment of long-term maintenance such as government or solid funding through an established entity.	2	2	
Options are under investigation and/or responsible entity has limited resources.	1		
<b>Assurance of Local Matching Funds:</b>			
Local match is in place or a letter of commitment to provide funding is included with the application.	3 - 5	5	
Funding is being sought.	1 - 2		
<b>Pre-Award Expenditures:</b>			
Funds have been spent to move the project forward prior to award.	2	2	
TE funds with local match are the sole source of funding.	1		
<b>Plan Support:</b>			
The project is part of/related to existing plans such as land use, transportation, historic preservation, cultural, tourism, economic development, recreation, parks, etc. that have been formally adopted by applicable Local Public Agencies (i.e. town, city, county, park board, planning commission, MPO, etc).	3 - 5	5	
The project is a stand-alone isolated idea/effort	1 - 2		
<b>Impact/Benefit/Need</b>			
The project appears to meet community (or larger) needs, is well-planned, widely supported, well funded, etc; has community-wide, multi-jurisdictional or regional benefit in terms of citizens/visitors served; project is unique or fills a void in available services or amenities; and project will enhance quality of life.	1 - 15	15	
<b>Total Points</b>		50	0

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Facilities for Pedestrians & Bicycles**

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	Points	Max Points	Score
<b>Property Acquisition (Fee simple, lease or easement)</b>			
Acquisition of 50% or more of the total project length.	3	3	
Acquisition of greater than 25% but less than 50% of the total project length.	2		
Acquisition of less than 25% of the total project length.	1		
<b>Project Development</b>			
<b>Length:</b>			
< .50 mile	4	14	
>= .50 mile and < 1.0 mile	8		
>= 1.0 mile and < 1.5 mile	10		
>= 1.5 mile and < 2.0 mile	11		
>=2.0 mile and < 2.5 mile	12		
>=2.5 mile and < 3.0 mile	13		
> 3.0 mile	14		
<b>Width:</b>			
> 12 feet	6	6	
>=10 feet and <= 12 feet	5		
>= 8 feet and <=10 feet	4		
>= 6 feet and <= 8 feet	3		
>= 5 feet and <= 6 feet	2		
<= 5 feet	1		
<b>Surface: (Majority of Project)</b>			
Paved	3	3	
Crushed Limestone	2		
Other (natural, woodchips, etc)	1		
<b>Facilities</b>			
Parking lots/trailheads	2	15	
Water fountains	2		
Restrooms	4		
Trail construction alternatives targeted at avoid vehicle/pedestrian conflicts	4		
Lighted trail	2		
Wayfinding signage/interpretive signs/informational kiosks	1		
<b>Other Factors</b>			
Will the project development take place on a former railroad corridor that is at least 25% of the project length?	Yes = 2 No = 0	2	
Does the project provide connectivity to any existing trails (including trail extensions)?	Yes = 2 No = 0	2	
Is the project identified in a trails or greenways plan adopted by the Transportation Policy Committee?	Yes = 3 No = 0	3	
Has the project sponsor consistently demonstrated their ability to execute TE projects in timely manner (maximum of 5 years per project)?	Yes = 2 No = 0	2	
<b>Total Points</b>		<b>50</b>	<b>0</b>

**Remarks:**

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 Acquisition of Scenic Easements, Scenic or Historic Sites**

Applicant: \_\_\_ City of Terre Haute \_\_\_ Town of Seelyville \_\_\_ Vigo County \_\_\_ Town of West Terre Haute      Application Number: \_\_\_\_\_

	Points	Max Points	Score
<b>Does the property have a state or national designation?</b>			
Is the project supported by the Indiana Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology?	10	20	
Is the project affiliated with a state or nationally designated byway?	10		
<b>Will the easement be maintained in perpetuity?</b>	Yes = 10 No = 0	10	
<b>Is the acquisition of the site/easement integral to the mission of the applicant?</b>	Yes = 10 No = 0	10	
<b>Is the site/easement in danger of being lost if it is not acquired?</b>	Yes = 10 No = 0	10	
<b>Total Points</b>		<b>50</b>	

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 Scenic/Historic Byway**

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	Points	Max Points	Score
<b>Is the project associated with a designated State or National Byway?</b>	Yes = 10 No = 0	10	
<b>Does the project include, or is it based on an interpretive plan?</b>	Yes = 10 No = 0	10	
<b>How well does the project address the following issues that enhance the visitor experience?</b>			
ADA accessibility	5	25	
Safety	5		
Interpretation	5		
Authenticity	5		
Hours of operation	5		
<b>Is there a marketing plan in place?</b>	Yes = 5 No = 0	5	
<b>Total Points</b>		<b>50</b>	

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 Landscaping & Other Scenic Beautification**

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	Points	Max Points	Score
<b>Is the applicant a Main Street community or is the project part of the community's economic development plan?</b>			
Yes, the applicant is a Main Street Community	10	10	
Yes, the applicant is part of the community's economic development plan	5		
No	0		
<b>Is the project professionally designed?</b>			
	Yes = 5	5	
	No = 0		
<b>How well does this project provide a better visitor/resident experience?</b>			
The project enhances the aesthetics of the area	7	21	
The project allows for easy flow of vehicular and pedestrian traffic	7		
The project maintains the authenticity of the area, its buildings and its cultural heritage	7		
<b>Does the project demonstrate that it enhances the economic development of the area/community in which it's located?</b>			
The project is not a stand-alone project	7	14	
There are programs/incentives in place to foster economic development	7		
<b>Total Points</b>		50	

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 Historic Preservation & Rehabilitation/Operation**

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	Points	Max Points	Score
<b>Is the property listed or eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP)?</b>			
Date of NRHP listing or eligibility determination by IDNR-DHPA is provided	5	5	
No date is provided	0		
<b>Is the project an important part of a community/local historic preservation initiative that also meets with the IDNR-DHPA's goals and priorities?</b>			
Strong community grassroots project and meets DHPA's goals and priorities	9 - 10	10	
Some community initiative and meets DHPA's goals and priorities	1 - 8		
Has no community support/does not meet DHPA's goals and priorities	0		
<b>Is the project currently supported as part of a current or future heritage/cultural tourism project?</b>	Yes = 1 No = 0	1	
<b>Is the structure/object/facility in a seriously deteriorated condition or threatened by demolition?</b>			
Extremely Endangered	10 - 12	12	
Endangered	4 - 9		
Potentially Endangered	1 - 3		
Not Endangered	0		
<b>Is the structure/object/facility one of the last of its type remaining in Indiana?</b>			
Extremely Rare	10 - 12	12	
Somewhat Rare	1 - 9		
Common	0		
<b>Does the proposed project comply with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Rehabilitation of Historic Properties?</b>	Yes = 5 No = 0	5	
<b>Does this project maintain accessibility by the general public/improve the ability of the public to appreciate the historic significance of the property and ensure operation of the resource in a manner that is consistent with its historic character?</b>	Yes = 5 No = 0	5	
<b>Total Points</b>		<b>50</b>	

Remarks:

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 Transportation Enhancement Project Score Sheet  
 Preservation of Abandoned Railroad Corridor**

Applicant: \_\_\_ City of Terre Haute \_\_\_ Town of Seelyville \_\_\_ Vigo County \_\_\_ Town of West Terre Haute      Application Number: \_\_\_\_\_

	Points	Max Points	Score
<b>Length Being Acquired</b>			
<= 1.0 mile	20	36	
> 1.0 mile and <= 2.0 miles	22		
> 2.0 miles and <= 3.0 miles	24		
> 3.0 miles and <= 4.0 miles	26		
> 4.0 miles and <= 5.0 miles	28		
> 5.0 miles and <= 6.0 miles	30		
> 6.0 miles and <= 7.0 miles	32		
> 7.0 miles and <= 8.0 miles	34		
> 8.0 miles	36		
<b>Other Features</b>			
<b>Does the project propose to provide connections to existing bicycle/pedestrian facilities, including facility extensions?</b>	Yes = 8 No = 0	8	
<b>Has this applicant ever received FHWA Transportation Enhancement money (TEA-21, ISTEA, etc.) for an abandoned railroad corridor preservation project before?</b>	Yes = 0 No = 4	4	
<b>Applicant has received less than a total of \$15 per person in TE Bike/Ped funds in the past 5 years?</b>	Yes = 2 No = 0	2	
<b>Total Points</b>		<b>50</b>	

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 Transportation Enhancement Project Score Sheet  
 Control and Removal of Billboards**

Applicant: \_\_\_ City of Terre Haute \_\_\_ Town of Seelyville \_\_\_ Vigo County \_\_\_ Town of West Terre Haute      Application Number: \_\_\_\_\_

	Points	Max Points	Score
Boards are located on or in view shed of national or state designated byway.	5	5	<input type="text"/>
Boards are located adjacent to, or in view shed of a state park, preserve, forest, historic site or rest park.	5	5	<input type="text"/>
Board removal is a part of the community's economic development plan.	5	5	<input type="text"/>
Boards will be removed within a year's time or Boards will be phased out over time	15 10	15	<input type="text"/>
Provisions are made to keep boards out of described area in perpetuity through city or county zoning ordinance.	10	10	<input type="text"/>
Illegal or non-registered billboards that do not meet local mandates or local billboard ordinances. NOTE: An example would be a local ordinance of 1000 ft. spacing vs. INDOT's spacing of 500 ft.	10	10	<input type="text"/>
<b>Total Points</b>		<b>50</b>	<input type="text"/>

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Transportation Enhancement Project Score Sheet  
Archaeological Planning & Research**

Applicant: \_\_\_ City of Terre Haute \_\_\_ Town of Seelyville \_\_\_ Vigo County \_\_\_ Town of West Terre Haute      Application Number: \_\_\_\_\_

	Points	Max Points	Score
<b>Are the archaeological sites to be researched within existing, planned or future transportation rights-of-way?</b>			
Within existing right-of-way	3-5	5	
Within planned /future right-of-way	2-4		
Not within transportation rights-of-way	0		
<b>What is the archaeological integrity of the sites and are they eligible for NR listing?</b>			
The sites have good integrity	10-12	12	
The sites have somewhat deteriorated integrity	5-9		
The sites are very deteriorated	1-4		
<b>How did human life or activity at this location affect surface transportation during the period of archaeological significance?</b>			
This location was strongly connected to surface transportation	3-5	5	
This location had some connection to surface transportation	2-4		
This location had no connection to surface transportation	0		
<b>How would the artifacts and sites be preserved and protected?</b>			
A solid plan for preservation and protection is described	8-10	10	
Some plans for preservation an protection are described	1-7		
No plans for preservation and protection are described	0		
<b>Would the sites be interpreted as part of a current or future heritage/cultural tourism project?</b>			
A heritage/cultural tourism project is listed	1	1	
No heritage/cultural tourism project is listed	0		
<b>Is the Site Endangered?</b>			
Extremely	10-12	12	
Endangered	4-9		
Potentially	1-3		
Not Endangered	0		
<b>How would the traveling public be informed about sites?</b>			
A solid plan for education and interpretation is described	4-5	5	
Some plans for education and interpretation are described	1-3		
No plans for education and interpretation are described	0		
<b>Total Points</b>		<b>50</b>	

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 Environmental Mitigation to Address Water Pollution Due to Highway Runoff**

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	Points	Max Points	Score
<b>Acquisition</b>			
Fee simple acquisition of project property site	5	5	
Irrevocable permanent easement or comparable lease of project property	4		
Twenty-five to fifty year easement or lease project property	3		
Less than 25 year easement or lease of project property	2		
<b>Development</b>			
Assurance that natural site features will not be adversely impacted	0 - 5	35	
Assurance that functionality (i.e. pollutant removal capabilities) will be addressed in design	0 - 5		
Assurance that design features will be incorporated that will maximize performance	0 - 5		
Assurance of availability of long-term maintenance capability	0 - 5		
For a wetland, assurance that there will be consideration of need for upstream, maintainable sediment trap	0 - 5		
For a wetland, consideration of ability to sustain desirable plant species	0 - 5		
For a wetland, consideration of ability to eradicate invasive plants	0 - 5		
<b>Other Factors</b>			
Has applicant formally contacted appropriate agencies to determine whether there would be any regulatory impediments to initiation of the proposed project?	Yes = 2 No = 0	2	
Have formal contacts been made with appropriate local entities, such as the drainage board, to assure there is no government opposition to the proposed project?	Yes = 2 No = 0	2	
Are there individual persons or organizations that would oppose the project?	Yes = 0 No = 2	2	
Are there relevant local non-governmental organizations that formally support the project?	Yes = 2 No = 0	2	
Does the project utilize technology endorsed by relevant state and federal policies?	Yes = 2 No = 0	2	
<b>Total Points</b>		<b>50</b>	

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 Safety and Education Activities for Pedestrians & Bicyclists**

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	Points	Max Points	Score
Project must not be fundable through existing giveaway programs such as Section 402, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), and Indiana Deals with Safety, etc.			
<b>Safety Needs</b>			
Bicycle accident rate is < 20% higher than the state average	15	15	
Bicycle accident rate is +/- 20% the state average	10		
Bicycle accident rate is < 20% lower than the state average	5		
Pedestrian accident rate is < 20% higher than the state average	15	15	
Pedestrian accident rate is +/- 20% the state average	10		
Pedestrian accident rate is < 20% lower than the state average	5		
<b>Audience</b>			
<b>Age Group</b>			
0-5	2	10	
6-12	2		
13-18	2		
19-25	2		
26 and older	2		
<b>Points Subtot</b>			
<b>Other Factors</b>			
Does the project coordinate with or overlap other local projects in the area such as hospital safety programs, safe kids, etc? (check only one)			
Other programs exist	0	4	
Coordinates with other programs	2		
Unique stand alone project	4		
Does the project provide for follow up data and studies that prove success?	Yes = 6 No = 0	6	
<b>Total Points</b>		<b>50</b>	

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Transportation Enhancement Project Score Sheet  
Establishment of Transportation Museum**

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	Points	Max Points	Score
<b>Which of the following describes the facility?</b>			
A restored transportation facility	3	3	
A restored historic building	2		
A new or remodeled building unrelated to transportation	0		
<b>How does the project address the following issues related to a quality visitor experience</b>			
Full-time staff	4	20	
Quality interpretation	4		
Authentic exhibits/artifacts/collections	4		
Adequate operating hours	4		
Adequate restroom and parking facilities	4		
<b>Does the project include a professionally designed interpretive plan?</b>			
Yes, one is already completed	10	10	
Yes, one will be done but hasn't been completed yet	3		
No, a professional plan will not be used	0		
<b>Does the project include an operational plan addressing what overall theme the museum will highlight and how the exhibits/collections will be displayed/interpreted?</b>	1-10	10	
<b>Is there a marketing plan in place?</b>	1-7	7	
	<b>Total Points</b>	<b>50</b>	

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 Tourist and Welcome Centers**

Applicant: \_\_\_ City of Terre Haute \_\_\_ Town of Seelyville \_\_\_ Vigo County \_\_\_ Town of West Terre Haute

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	Points	Max Points	Score
<b>Is the Tourist/Welcome Center connected to the following?</b>			
State or nationally designated highway	4	12	
Historic Site	4		
Scenic Area	4		
<b>How well does the project address the following issues that enhance the visitor experience?</b>			
Accessibility to major roadway	3	18	
Adequate parking	3		
Adequate restroom facilities	3		
Consistent operating hours	3		
Staff availability	3		
Adequate storage space	3		
<b>How will does the project address the following interpretation issues?</b>			
Relevant and appropriate displays will be featured	4	16	
Ongoing staff training will occur	4		
Free information will be made available	4		
Brochures approved by the Office of Tourism will be placed	4		
<b>What type of facility is the project using?</b>			
A restored transportation facility	4	4	
A renovated historic building	2		
New construction	0		
<b>Total Points</b>		<b>50</b>	

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