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County Ferry Capital Improvement Program (CFCIP) - WAC 136-400
Project Application Guidance

General:

The following CFCIP project application guidance summary is not intended to replace or otherwise amend the language of WAC 136-400. Implementation of the CFCIP, including all critical dates and performance standards, will be based entirely on the current version of WAC 136-400.

The CRABoard reserves to itself the exercise of discretion as allowed in WAC 136-400.

County Eligibility:

- Counties eligible to apply for county ferry capital improvement funds are Pierce, Skagit, Wahkiakum, and Whatcom.
- For the project to be eligible it must be included in both the county's six-year transportation program and its ferry system fourteen-year long range capital improvement plan.
- Any county holding an approved and executed county ferry capital improvement program contract is ineligible to submit a project funding application for additional ferry capital improvement funds until the existing contract is fully performed or has been mutually terminated.

Eligible Projects:

- Purchase of new vessels
- Major vessel refurbishment (e.g., engines, structural steel, controls) that substantially extends the life of the vessel
- Facility refurbishment/replacement (e.g., complete replacement, major rebuilding or redecking of a dock) that substantially extends the life of the facility
- Installation of items that substantially improve ferry facilities or operations
- Construction of infrastructure that provides new or additional access or increases the capacity of terminal facilities

Project Development Calendar and Procedural Steps:

Year A = 2008, 2012, 2016, etc.
Year B = 2009, 2013, 2017, etc.
Year C = 2010, 2014, 2018, etc.
Year D = 2011, 2015, 2019, etc.

Note: The following procedural steps require an affirmative action to take place in order for the subsequent step to proceed

Year A (or earlier) actions:

- Project planning and engineering adequate for:
  - inclusion in 6-year and 14-year documents and their adoption
  - creation of a county ferry district (subject to counties financial plan)
  - submission of project funding request to the Public Works Board or any other available revenue source

Year B actions:

- County requests CRABoard to issue call for projects at Spring meeting
- CRABoard may act on a call for projects at the Spring meeting, but must act on request no later than Summer meeting
- If a call for projects is approved, project applications must be submitted no later than December 31st

Year C actions:

- Technical Review Committee completes its review and develops a written report no later than 30 days prior to the CRABoard Spring meeting
- CRABoard reviews the committee report and may act at the Spring meeting, but must act no later than Summer meeting
- If approved by the CRABoard, a CFCIP project funding request is included in the CRAB agency biennial budget request submitted late summer

Year D actions:

- State Legislature reviews CRAB CFCIP budgetary request
- If approved by the Legislature and Governor, CFCIP funds available for project expenditures beginning July 1st, or upon execution of the CRAB/County contract, whichever occurs last

CFCIP Project Cost Sharing:

County Ferry District	County / Other (*)	CFCIP (*)
Greater than 30%	0%	Remaining project balance (less than 70%)
Greater than 5%, but less than or equal to 30%	20% minimum	Less than or equal to 50%
Less than or equal to 5%	65% minimum	Less than or equal to 30%
No District	65% minimum	Less than or equal to 30%

(*) - CFCIP maximum project share is
$10,000,000 per project and $500,000 per year cost reimbursement