

STP Shared Fund Scoring: Frequently Asked Questions

Q: Why is the “final draft” total score different than the “preliminary” total score for my project?

A: Within the Transportation Impact scoring section, scores are relative to all applications received. The preliminary scores considered all eligible applications in each category to determine individual projects’ highest potential category. After removing projects from each category that were not the highest scoring, the relative scores were recalculated, resulting in changes to the transportation impact scores and consequently, to the total scores.

Q: My project was evaluated in multiple categories and received different Complete Streets planning factor scores. Is this a mistake?

A: The scoring methodology and point values for complete streets varies by the project type. See the application booklet for details.

Q: I am a Cohort 4 community, why is my Inclusive Growth score lower than other Cohort 1, 2, or 3 communities?

A: The Inclusive Growth planning factor considers the characteristics of the users of the facility being improved, not those of the sponsor agency. These scores are pre-determined and this map of those scores was provided as part of the application booklet.

Q: My project was also submitted in the 2019 call for projects cycle and received different scores in several categories. Is this a mistake?

A: No, this is not a mistake. The scoring methodology in several categories was revised, the relative weight of some categories was revised, and in some categories – transportation impact in particular – scores are calculated relative to all other applications received in the project type category during this cycle only.

Q: Since applying, we have started/finished Phase 2 Engineering and/or ROW acquisition. Can our project readiness points be increased to reflect this status?

A: To be consistent and fair to all applicants, the status of projects on the date the application was submitted is the status that is used for scoring. Adjustments for progress made since that time will not be made.

Q: Since applying, we have adopted a Complete Streets/Green Infrastructure policy. Can our Complete Streets/Green Infrastructure planning factor points be increased?

A. To be consistent and fair to all applicants, only policies in place on the date the application was submitted can be considered for scoring. Adjustments will not be made for actions taken since that time.