

CARS Program Submittal Definitions for Project Type

Capacity Improvements: An improvement project which typically involves construction of additional through lanes to accommodate increasing traffic volumes. This category does not include geometric improvements or widening at intersections.

Major Maintenance: Refers to range of activities associated with existing facilities. Major maintenance activities include reconstruction of an existing roadway, milling, overlays of 2 inches or more in thickness, significant full depth patching, joint repair projects, and significant curb repair projects.

System Management: Refers to intersection capacity, geometry or function improvements; traffic signal installations, upgrades, or interconnect systems; and spot improvements to roadway segments to improve traffic flow.

Bridge: Structures which span twenty feet or more as measured along the centerline of the roadway.

Replacement: A bridge replacement project will be considered as a “stand alone” project if the bridge has a Sufficiency Rating (SR) of less than 50 and the bridge is structurally deficient or functionally obsolete.

Rehabilitation: A bridge rehabilitation project is a major bridge maintenance project such as deck replacement or guardrail repair and upgrade. The bridge must have a Sufficiency Rating (SR) of less than 80 and the bridge must be classified as structurally deficient or functionally obsolete.

Route Enhancement: Route Enhancements refer to construction of sidewalks, bicycle paths, or street lights along major or minor CARS collector routes.