



MaineDOT LOCALLY ADMINISTERED PROJECTS

What is an LAP?

A Locally Administered Project (LAP) is any MaineDOT project where all phases of project development, including construction are administered by the municipality.

What is a typical LAP?

Any MaineDOT project may be locally administered but typical LAPs are: Enhancement (bicycle & pedestrian), Pavement Resurfacing, Traffic Signals, Small Harbor Improvement Projects, Park and Ride Lots.

Who can administer an LAP?

Any municipal official or municipal engineer can administer a MaineDOT LAP if they are LAP Certified by the MaineDOT?

What is LAP Certification?

LAP Certification is a two tier process. The first tier is training provided by MaineDOT to educate municipal officials and municipal engineers as to the federal and state requirements involved with transportation projects. The second tier is review of municipal resources prior to handoff of each new LAP.

Why administer an LAP?

Reasons why typically include one or more of the following:

- ◆ Ability to coordinate a MaineDOT transportation project with local initiatives (sewer and water projects, downtown revitalization, etc.).
- ◆ Do the project NOW (not wait until the project gets into the MaineDOT development pipeline).
- ◆ Use local forces (engineering staff, force account) to develop the project, which takes advantage of project funds to subsidize local engineering staff and/or offset municipal cost share (if any).
- ◆ Fully ensure that all local needs are addressed.

How are LAPs funded?

Federal and State LAPs are funded through a reimbursement program, they are not a grant. As the work progresses project costs are reimbursed.

What are Federal Highway Administration Requirements?

If Federal Funds are to be used for an LAP, Federal Highway has many process requirements. There are Federal process requirements for Environmental, Right of Way and Utilities as well as project design, construction and quality assurance standards. Navigation of FHWA processes and standards are detailed during MaineDOT LPA Tier I Certification Training. Return to LPA website <http://www.maine.gov/mdot/locally-administrated-projects/consultant-brochure.php> for more detailed information.

