



# County Engineers Association of Ohio

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## MEMORANDUM

TO: OHIO COUNTY ENGINEERS

FROM: Michele Risko, CSTP/LBR Program Manager

SUBJECT: Bridge Formula Program (BFP) Applications Fiscal Year 2023

DATE: April 21, 2022

CEAO is pleased to notify you that the first round of BFP Applications is now being accepted. This round is specifically for funding in FY 2023. **Applications must be submitted by May 31, 2022 for funding consideration.**

Eligible bridges are NBIS bridges with a General Appraisal of 5 or less. The emphasis of the funding is off-system bridges (on Rural Minor Collectors or Local Roads), but counties may still apply for on-system bridges. Off-system bridges are eligible for 100% funding. On-system bridges are eligible for 80% federal/20% local match unless a county wishes to use credit bridge credit to increase the federal share to 95%. Design contracts and construction contracts are eligible for federal funding. Construction engineering/inspection is NOT eligible for federal funding and will be 100% local.

A list of eligible bridges with preliminary scores will be e-mailed to you and will be posted on the Federal Programs page of CEAO's website under the heading CSTP/LBR News. If any of the data in the list appears incorrect, please correct it in AssetWise as soon as possible. This list will be run again and scores will be recalculated right before applications are approved to ensure that we have the most recent and accurate data.

Enclosed are two application forms. One is for superstructure only projects, and the other is for standard bridge replacement or rehab projects. Each County will receive a total of 60 County priority points that can be split in any combination between the county bridges on the applications.

Superstructure materials include items such as pre-fabricated beams, boxes, and decks. These projects must be Local-Let, but CEAO is willing to assist any county that is not already Local-Let prequalified to obtain the necessary prequalification. All structures included in the superstructure only projects will need to be cleared for environmental, and any right-of-way acquisition must follow the federal process. Superstructure only contracts may include manufacturing, delivery, and placement if they are NOT installed by County forces. If installed by County forces, contracts may only include manufacturing and delivery. County labor is NOT eligible.

If you have any questions or further explanation is needed regarding any of this information, please feel free to contact this office at (614) 221-0707.