

Topic	Status in FY25	Notes
Single Application Limit	<b><i>New (explicit)</i></b>	Applicants may now submit only one application per entity. If more than one is submitted, only the last will be reviewed.
Use of Up to Three Plans	<b><i>New</i></b>	Implementation Grant applicants may now combine up to three plans to meet Action Plan requirements.
Supplemental Planning Without Own Plan	<b><i>New/Expanded Guidance</i></b>	Applicants may apply without their own plan only if a higher-level jurisdiction has a valid Action Plan and they show coordination.
Underserved Community Definition	<b><i>New</i></b>	For the first time, "Underserved Community" is explicitly defined to match the statutory definition of Areas of Persistent Poverty under 49 U.S.C. § 6702(a)(1).
Duplicative Planning Applications	<b><i>New (clarified eligibility rule)</i></b>	Applications that duplicate existing SS4A-funded Action Plan efforts in the same geography may be deemed ineligible.
Updated Pre-Application Review Process	<b><i>Expanded</i></b>	FY25 allows a pre-application eligibility review (due May 9) to check if a plan meets the Action Plan requirements—specific to Implementation Grants.
Ineligible Plan Types	<b><i>Now explicitly listed</i></b>	State Strategic Highway Safety Plans (SHSP), CVSPs, PTASPs, etc., are now explicitly ineligible to meet Action Plan requirements.
Action Plan Timeframe	<b><i>New timeframe specified</i></b>	Eligible plans must be finalized or updated between 2020 and June 26, 2025.
Insular Area Match Waiver	<b><i>Explicitly codified in FY25</i></b>	Matching requirements are waived for awards <\$200,000 for Guam, U.S. Virgin Islands, American Samoa, CNMI.
MPO eligibility	<b><i>Still eligible and reaffirmed</i></b>	Always eligible, but FY25 clarifies MPOs may serve as lead for multijurisdictional groups
States not eligible	<b><i>Reaffirmed and more explicit</i></b>	States were previously ineligible but FY25 provides clearer language
Non-profit eligibility	<b><i>Clarified</i></b>	Non-profits must be created by state law and have similar responsibilities to local governments
Action Plan requirements	<b><i>Tighter guidance and format</i></b>	Previous NOFOs referred to eligibility worksheets but were less structured
Demonstration Activities	<b><i>More structured requirements</i></b>	FY25 requires evaluation plan, expected benefits, and tie-in to Action Plan
Local Match	<b><i>No Change</i></b>	80/20 federal-local match requirements (except waivers for certain areas)
Eligible Applicants	<b><i>No Change</i></b>	MPOs, political subdivisions of a state, Tribal governments, multijurisdictional groups. Disqualification of states and state DOTs as direct applicants.
Application for Implementation	<b><i>No Change</i></b>	Requirement for a finalized Action Plan to apply for Implementation Grants.