

Acadiana Metropolitan Planning Organization's Project Selection Process Quick points:

1. The MPO receives about \$6,000,000/yr. to be spent within the MPO Area.
See area map via this link: <http://mpo.planacadiana.org/about-2/metro-planning-area/>
2. This money is available for any road within the MPO area that is Federally aid eligible. Federally aid eligible roads are any roadway classification except Local Roads and Rural Minor Collectors. DOTD determines the functional classification of all roads within the state every 10 years.
See DOTD functional class map for the Lafayette Urbanized Area:
http://wwwsp.dotd.la.gov/Inside_LaDOTD/Divisions/Multimodal/Data_Collection/Ma pping/Proposed%20Urbanized%20Maps/Lafayette.pdf
3. At this time the Acadiana MPO sends out applications for these monies once a year along with a handbook on rules and policies associated with these projects. Applications will be due back 6 months after they are sent.
4. All projects will be graded by the MPO and a prioritization of funding will be offered to the Technical Policy Committee (TPC) the meeting after the applications are received. TPC has the final say so over which projects advance.
5. Federal money takes 2-3 years to get spent. Put your patient sunglasses on when applying for a project with this money.
6. The MPO's goal is to get everyone a viable and productive project!

