

LOCAL INTERSTATE CONNECTORS (LIC)

Eligible Activities:

The Local Interstate and Fully Controlled Access Highway Connector Act of 1965 (T.C.A. § 54-5-503) authorized the Department to establish and construct a system of connector routes to furnish citizens adequate access to the interstate from existing road and street networks along the interstate system.

A local interstate connecting route or connector is defined as a roadway or roadway segment that will provide ingress and egress between the interstate and a roadway of important benefit to a local government.

Funding:

The program requires the local government provide 50% of the total project cost up to \$4 million and all costs exceeding that amount. TDOT will provide the other 50% of the first \$4 million. All project phases are eligible for funding, and the local government may use available STBG funding toward the required 50% match.

Application Process:

To apply, send a letter to the Commissioner of the Department of Transportation at James K. Polk Building, Suite 700, 505 Deaderick Street, Nashville, TN 37243. The local government should include the commitment to cover 50% of the total project cost plus anything over the \$4 million cap, a map clearly delineating the location of the project (point to point), and a certified copy of the resolution of the local government authorizing the application.

Upon approval, the Department will enter into a contract with the local government for the development of the local interstate connector. The contract will specify whether the project will be locally managed or managed by the Department.

If the project is locally managed, the local government will receive guidance from the Local Programs Development Office regarding various project submittals.

If the Department manages the project, the Department will request the local share of the corresponding phase prior to the initiation of each phase. Development of that phase will not begin until the deposit is received from the local government.

If the bid price for the project exceeds the estimated cost, the Department will request the local government's deposit for its share of the overage. Moreover, projects are subject to overruns during the actual construction of which the local government will be responsible for its share of the overruns.



The local government shall assume full responsibility for the maintenance of the completed local interstate connector unless otherwise agreed upon by the Department. If the local government fails to maintain the route in a manner satisfactory to the Department, the Department can assume maintenance of the road and charge the cost thereof to the local government.