

TAP & RTP

Transportation Alternatives Program Recreational Trails Program

Razorback Regional Greenway
Fayetteville, Arkansas

OVERVIEW

The **Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP)** is a reimbursable grant program that provides Federal-aid funding to Local Public Agencies (LPAs) for programs and projects defined as transportation alternatives. Typically, these projects include sidewalks, shared-use paths, trails, pedestrian crossings, pedestrian lighting, streetscaping, and/or historic bridge rehabilitation.

The **Recreational Trails Program (RTP)** is a reimbursable grant program that provides Federal-aid funding to LPAs to construct and maintain motorized and non-motorized recreational trails and trail support facilities.

GUIDELINES

ARDOT holds a competitive application cycle each year for eligible phases of projects.

Eligible Sponsors:

- Local Governments (City, County, etc.)
- Transit Agencies
- Natural Resource or Public Land Agencies
- Schools and School Districts
- Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPO)
- Nonprofit 501(c)(3) Organizations

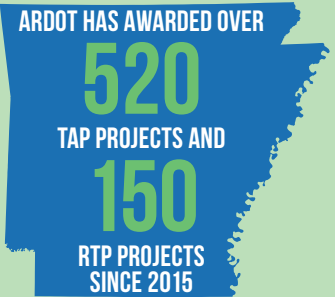
Eligible Phases:

- Preliminary Engineering (Design)
- Environmental Review
- Right of Way Acquisition
- Utility Relocation
- Construction
- Construction Inspection

LPAs may be permitted to use ARDOT's On-Call Consultant services for non-construction phases that have been awarded Federal-aid funding.

A minimum 20% local (non-Federal) match **will be required** from the LPA. Use of in-kind match may be permitted for eligible RTP projects. Local match for other projects must be in the form of cash.

An administrative fee in the amount of 1% of the Federal-aid Funding Award will be required from all LPAs, except on eligible RTP projects when a non-profit sponsor is utilizing in-kind match.



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PER YEAR
AVAILABLE UNDER
TAP

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PER YEAR
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RTP



ELIGIBLE TAP PROJECTS

- On-road and off-road trail facilities for pedestrians, bicyclists, and other non-motorized forms of transportation
- Infrastructure-related projects and systems that will provide safe routes for non-drivers, including children, older adults, and individuals with disabilities
- Conversion and use of abandoned railroad corridors for trails for pedestrians, bicyclists, or other non-motorized transportation users
- Turnouts, overlooks, and viewing areas
- Community improvement activities, such as streetscaping and historic bridge rehabilitation
- Environmental mitigation activities, including pollution prevention and pollution abatement activities, and mitigation to address stormwater management related to highways or to reduce vehicle-caused wildlife mortality
- Conversion of former Interstate System routes or other divided highways into boulevards
- Safety Assessments for Vulnerable Road Users, which can be pedestrians, cyclists, wheelchair users, and scooter riders, who are at higher risk of injury in collisions with vehicles
- Micromobility facilities and share programs. Micromobility refers to a range of small, lightweight vehicles operating at speeds typically below 15 mph and driven by single users. Devices include bicycles, e-bikes, electric scooters, and electric pedal assisted bicycles
- Non-infrastructure Pedestrian/Trail Master Plans
- RTP and Safe Routes to School (SRTS) eligible activities

ELIGIBLE RTP PROJECTS

- Construction of new recreational trails
- Maintenance and restoration of existing recreational trails
- Development and rehabilitation of trailside and trailhead facilities and trail linkages for recreational trails
- Operation of educational programs to promote safety and environmental protection, as those objectives relate to the use of recreational trails



Hot Springs Creek Greenway Trail
Hot Springs, Arkansas



Arkansas River Trail
North Little Rock, Arkansas



Razorback Regional Greenway
Fayetteville, Arkansas



Dave Ward Drive Pedestrian Overpass
Conway, Arkansas