

**Chapter 136-130 WAC**  
**REGIONAL PRIORITIZATION OF RAP PROJECTS**

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**WAC 136-130-010 Purpose and authority.** RCW 36.79.080 sets forth the criteria that will be used in determining the priority of specific improvement projects. This chapter describes how each RAP project type will rate and be prioritized within RAP regions.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 36.78 RCW. WSR 11-05-005, § 136-130-010, filed 2/3/11, effective 3/6/11. Statutory Authority: Chapter 36.79 RCW. WSR 99-01-021, § 136-130-010, filed 12/7/98, effective 1/7/99. Statutory Authority: RCW 36.78.070 and 36.79.060. WSR 96-17-013, § 136-130-010, filed 8/12/96, effective 9/12/96. Statutory Authority: Chapter 36.78 RCW. WSR 84-16-065 (Order 56), § 136-130-010, filed 7/30/84.]

**WAC 136-130-020 Priorities by project type.** The county road administration board has determined that the interests of the counties in the several regions will be best served by encouraging development of distinct project priority rating systems for each region.

There shall be five project types eligible for RATA funding, with each having separate rating systems for project ranking and selection. The five project types include:

(1) Reconstruction - Emphasis on alignment and grade changes on 50 percent or more of the project length, and may include additional travel lanes and right of way costs.

(2) 3R - Resurfacing, restoration, and rehabilitation - Primary focus on extending the service life of existing facility involving less than 50 percent vertical or horizontal changes, and on safety improvements. Right of way costs are eligible for RATA reimbursement as a part of this project type.

(3) 2R - Resurfacing and restoration - Primary focus on restoration of the pavement structure on the existing vertical and horizontal alignment and spot safety improvements. Minor widening costs are allowed as a part of this project type. Right of way costs are not eligible for RATA reimbursement in this project type.

(4) Intersection - 3R or reconstruction work limited to the vicinity of an existing intersection, and may include additional travel lanes and right of way costs.

(5) Bridge and drainage structures - Replacement or major rehabilitation of an existing bridge or other drainage structure, and may include additional travel lanes and right of way costs. The bridge or drainage structure(s) cost must be a minimum of 50 percent of the overall project cost.

(a) All National Bridge Inventory (NBI) listed structures are eligible for replacement or rehabilitation. Rehabilitation is the major

work required to restore the structural integrity of a bridge as well as work necessary to correct major safety defects.

(b) All non-NBI structures are eligible for replacement of the existing structure.

In consultation with the individual regions, the executive director shall approve the various forms and procedures necessary to allocate available RATA funding, consistent with RCW 36.79.080.

These project types shall be available for each region, and no regional sublimits shall apply for project types.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 36.78.070. WSR 23-23-013, § 136-130-020, filed 11/2/23, effective 12/3/23. Statutory Authority: Chapter 36.78 RCW. WSR 21-22-083, § 136-130-020, filed 11/1/21, effective 12/2/21; WSR 19-04-047, § 136-130-020, filed 1/29/19, effective 3/1/19; WSR 11-05-005, § 136-130-020, filed 2/3/11, effective 3/6/11. Statutory Authority: Chapter 36.79 RCW. WSR 99-01-021, § 136-130-020, filed 12/7/98, effective 1/7/99. Statutory Authority: Chapter 36.78 RCW. WSR 84-16-065 (Order 56), § 136-130-020, filed 7/30/84.]

**WAC 136-130-030 Supplemental rules in Puget Sound region (PSR).**

Each county in the PSR may submit projects requesting RATA funds not to exceed eighty percent of the forecasted regional apportionment.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 36.78 RCW. WSR 11-05-005, § 136-130-030, filed 2/3/11, effective 3/6/11. Statutory Authority: Chapter 36.79 RCW. WSR 06-11-067, § 136-130-030, filed 5/12/06, effective 6/12/06; WSR 02-11-008, § 136-130-030, filed 5/2/02, effective 6/2/02; WSR 01-05-009, § 136-130-030, filed 2/8/01, effective 3/11/01; WSR 99-01-021, § 136-130-030, filed 12/7/98, effective 1/7/99; WSR 98-09-070, § 136-130-030, filed 4/20/98, effective 5/21/98. Statutory Authority: RCW 36.79.060. WSR 92-13-038 (Order 88), § 136-130-030, filed 6/10/92, effective 7/11/92. Statutory Authority: RCW 36.79.060 and 1983 1st ex.s. c 49. WSR 90-22-083 (Order 82), § 136-130-030, filed 11/6/90, effective 12/7/90. Statutory Authority: Chapter 36.78 RCW. WSR 86-06-005 (Order 61), § 136-130-030, filed 2/20/86; WSR 84-16-065 (Order 56), § 136-130-030, filed 7/30/84.]

**WAC 136-130-040 Supplemental rules in northwest region (NWR).**

Each county in the NWR may submit projects requesting RATA funds not to exceed forty percent of the forecasted regional apportionment.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 36.78 RCW. WSR 11-05-005, § 136-130-040, filed 2/3/11, effective 3/6/11. Statutory Authority: Chapter 36.79 RCW. WSR 08-16-043, § 136-130-040, filed 7/29/08, effective 8/29/08; WSR 07-17-020, § 136-130-040, filed 8/6/07, effective 9/6/07; WSR 04-05-001, § 136-130-040, filed 2/4/04, effective 3/6/04; WSR 01-09-077, § 136-130-040, filed 4/17/01, effective 5/18/01; WSR 99-01-021, § 136-130-040, filed 12/7/98, effective 1/7/99; WSR 98-09-070, § 136-130-040, filed 4/20/98, effective 5/21/98. Statutory Authority: RCW 36.78.070 and 36.79.060. WSR 96-17-013, § 136-130-040, filed 8/12/96, effective 9/12/96. Statutory Authority: RCW 36.79.060. WSR 94-10-022, § 136-130-040, filed 4/27/94, effective 5/28/94. Statutory Authority: RCW 36.79.060 and 1983 1st ex.s. c 49. WSR 90-22-083 (Order 82), § 136-130-040, filed 11/6/90, effective 12/7/90. Statutory

Authority: Chapter 36.78 RCW. WSR 84-16-065 (Order 56), § 136-130-040, filed 7/30/84.]

**WAC 136-130-050 Supplemental rules in northeast region (NER).**

Each county in the NER may submit projects requesting RATA funds not to exceed 25 percent of the forecasted NER biennial apportionment.

Bridge projects may be submitted requesting RATA funds under one of the following conditions:

(1) Bridges must be approved for federal bridge funding and RATA funds shall be used only as a match for such federal funding. Bridges will be ranked for RATA funding using the WSDOT priority list and may be added to the NER Category 1 priority array at any time during the biennium upon approval of the bridge for federal bridge funding.

(2) A stand-alone bridge project may be submitted as an ordinary reconstruction or 3R RAP project provided that its priority rating has been computed by the bridge rating method in the NER RAP rating procedures. Such projects shall not be considered for funding from the bridge reserve described above.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 36.78 RCW. WSR 21-22-083, § 136-130-050, filed 11/1/21, effective 12/2/21; WSR 13-16-105, § 136-130-050, filed 8/7/13, effective 9/7/13; WSR 11-05-005, § 136-130-050, filed 2/3/11, effective 3/6/11; WSR 10-05-019, § 136-130-050, filed 2/4/10, effective 3/7/10. Statutory Authority: Chapter 36.79 RCW. WSR 01-05-009, § 136-130-050, filed 2/8/01, effective 3/11/01; WSR 99-16-038, § 136-130-050, filed 7/29/99, effective 8/29/99; WSR 99-01-021, § 136-130-050, filed 12/7/98, effective 1/7/99. Statutory Authority: RCW 36.79.060. WSR 92-13-038 (Order 88), § 136-130-050, filed 6/10/92, effective 7/11/92. Statutory Authority: RCW 36.79.060 and 1983 1st ex.s. c 49. WSR 90-22-083 (Order 82), § 136-130-050, filed 11/6/90, effective 12/7/90. Statutory Authority: Chapter 36.78 RCW. WSR 88-12-080 (Order 69), § 136-130-050, filed 6/1/88; WSR 86-21-076 (Order 63-P), § 136-130-050, filed 10/15/86; WSR 86-06-005 (Order 61), § 136-130-050, filed 2/20/86; WSR 84-16-065 (Order 56), § 136-130-050, filed 7/30/84.]

**WAC 136-130-060 Supplemental rules in southeast region (SER).**

Each county in the SER may submit projects requesting RATA funds not to exceed twice the per county limit of the forecasted SER biennial apportionment as follows:

Asotin County	ten percent
Benton County	fourteen percent
Columbia County	eleven percent
Franklin County	thirteen percent
Garfield County	ten percent
Kittitas County	thirteen percent
Klickitat County	fourteen percent
Walla Walla County	fourteen percent
Yakima County	twenty percent

Federally funded bridges for which counties are seeking matching funds shall receive first consideration for bridge funds. Bridges receiving federal funding may be added to this list at any time during

the biennium. Stand-alone bridges may compete for funds in this reserve that remain after all bridges seeking match for federal funds have been funded. Non-NBI drainage structures may compete for funds in this reserve after stand-alone bridges have been funded. Whatever part of the bridge reserve that is not allocated to bridge projects shall be available for allocation to other RAP projects.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 36.78 RCW. WSR 21-22-083, § 136-130-060, filed 11/1/21, effective 12/2/21; WSR 11-05-005, § 136-130-060, filed 2/3/11, effective 3/6/11. Statutory Authority: Chapter 36.79 RCW. WSR 04-05-001, § 136-130-060, filed 2/4/04, effective 3/6/04; WSR 01-05-009, § 136-130-060, filed 2/8/01, effective 3/11/01; WSR 99-01-021, § 136-130-060, filed 12/7/98, effective 1/7/99. Statutory Authority: RCW 36.79.060. WSR 97-06-006, § 136-130-060, filed 2/24/97, effective 3/27/97; WSR 94-10-020, § 136-130-060, filed 4/27/94, effective 5/28/94; WSR 92-13-038 (Order 88), § 136-130-060, filed 6/10/92, effective 7/11/92. Statutory Authority: RCW 36.79.060 and 1983 1st ex.s. c 49. WSR 90-22-083 (Order 82), § 136-130-060, filed 11/6/90, effective 12/7/90. Statutory Authority: Chapter 36.78 RCW. WSR 88-05-040 (Order 68), § 136-130-060, filed 2/16/88; WSR 84-16-065 (Order 56), § 136-130-060, filed 7/30/84.]

**WAC 136-130-070 Supplemental rules in southwest region (SWR).**

Each county in the SWR may submit projects requesting RATA funds not to exceed thirty percent of the forecasted SWR biennial apportionment.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 36.78 RCW. WSR 11-05-005, § 136-130-070, filed 2/3/11, effective 3/6/11. Statutory Authority: Chapter 36.79 RCW. WSR 04-05-001, § 136-130-070, filed 2/4/04, effective 3/6/04; WSR 02-11-008, § 136-130-070, filed 5/2/02, effective 6/2/02; WSR 01-05-009, § 136-130-070, filed 2/8/01, effective 3/11/01; WSR 99-24-057, § 136-130-070, filed 11/29/99, effective 12/30/99; WSR 99-01-021, § 136-130-070, filed 12/7/98, effective 1/7/99. Statutory Authority: RCW 36.79.060. WSR 92-13-038 (Order 88), § 136-130-070, filed 6/10/92, effective 7/11/92. Statutory Authority: RCW 36.79.060 and 1983 1st ex.s. c 49. WSR 90-22-083 (Order 82), § 136-130-070, filed 11/6/90, effective 12/7/90. Statutory Authority: Chapter 36.78 RCW. WSR 88-05-040 (Order 68), § 136-130-070, filed 2/16/88; WSR 86-06-005 (Order 61), § 136-130-070, filed 2/20/86; WSR 84-16-065 (Order 56), § 136-130-070, filed 7/30/84.]

**WAC 136-130-080 Limitation on rating points.**

In each of the project prioritization procedures and associated approved forms, for purposes of the RAP project prospectus submitted to the county road administration board, if a county desires points for correcting geometric deficiencies, then all geometric deficiencies shall be listed, with points being assigned for those conditions that will be corrected by construction of the project.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 36.78 RCW. WSR 21-22-083, § 136-130-080, filed 11/1/21, effective 12/2/21; WSR 11-05-005, § 136-130-080, filed 2/3/11, effective 3/6/11. Statutory Authority: Chapter 36.79 RCW. WSR 99-01-021, § 136-130-080, filed 12/7/98, effective 1/7/99. Statutory Authority: Chapter 36.78 RCW. WSR 84-16-065 (Order 56), § 136-130-080, filed 7/30/84.]

**WAC 136-130-090 Reallocation of RATA funds between project types.** In the event that no projects or an insufficient number of projects are submitted in any project type to utilize the RATA funds set aside for the project type, all remaining funds shall be divided among the remaining project types as the county road administration board deems appropriate. The intent is to divide all available funds into project types having a sufficient number of submitted projects to fully utilize the funds available during the biennium.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 36.78 RCW. WSR 11-05-005, § 136-130-090, filed 2/3/11, effective 3/6/11.]