

Connectivity Gaps Assessment Criteria Summary

Consideration	Criteria
1 Extent of Gaps	100% of Destination Corridor's gaps
	>50%-99% of Destination Corridor's gaps or links trails beyond the Network
	25-50% of Destination Corridor's gaps
	<25% of Destination Corridor's gaps
2 Status of Secured Right-of-Way	Secure
	Not secure/unknown
3 Planning and Engineering Readiness	Project technical plans/documents, construction strategy and costs exist; project has connectivity to State/National site
	Project technical plans/documents, construction strategy and costs exist; project has no connectivity to State/National site
	Project construction concept and generalized costs exist
	Project construction concept exist(with no generalized costs) or assumed ease of construction/feasible construction
	assumed difficulty of construction including engineering and potential unknown construction obstacles
4 Extent of Political Support	Relevant to representation of multiple local, State and/or Federal entities
	Relevant to representation of multiple local entities plus one State and/or one Federal entity
	Relevant to representation from one local, one State and/or one Federal entity
5 Organizational Capacity	Capacity/support exists and is active
	Capacity/support is fledgling or is getting organized
	Capacity/support not yet present
6 Potential Economic Development Impacts	Project possesses potential to improve access to immediate surrounding area of identified growing entrepreneurship
	Project possesses potential to improve access to distant area of identified growing entrepreneurship
	Project possesses potential to improve access but no known growing entrepreneurship exists in immediate or surrounding area(s)
7 Potential Tourism Impact	Project possesses ability to generate additional tourism \$ in cooperation with local tourism bureau/chamber of commerce
	Project possesses ability to generate additional tourism \$; no known local tourism bureau/chamber of commerce exists
	Project does not possess ability to generate additional tourism \$
8 Proximity to Population	Within 15 miles of 500,000+
	Within 15 miles of 100,000-500,000
	Within 15 miles of <100,000-50,000
	Within 15 miles of <50,000-20,000
	Within 15 miles of <20,000
9 Contribution to improving wellness	Adds access to population with lower-than-national-average-health levels
	Adds access to population with higher-than-national-average-health levels
10 Natural Scenery	More intact natural landscape
	More fragmented natural landscape
11 Proximity to Historic Resources Opportunities	Proximity to Historic District
	Proximity to other designated cultural site/structure
	Not within proximity to designated cultural sites, structures or district
12 Proximity to surrounding public lands	County/Large Municipal parks (>250 acres), State, Federal or private conservations lands for public use within 3 miles
	Lands for public use greater than 3 miles