

## Local Project List

Name/Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

Please list your community's projects below based on your local priorities and needs; Project 1 being the highest and Project 5 being the lowest. Your projects will be ranked in accordance with the attached ***Regional Ranking Criteria and Rating Scale*** in order to establish a list of Regional Project Priorities to be included in the 2021 – 2025 CEDS and which may be eligible for EDA funding. Projects submitted below should meet ***at least*** one of the attached criteria.

Project 1 Title-  
Project Description:  
Cost:  
CEDS Goal Associated with Project:

Project 2 Title-  
Project Description:  
Cost:  
CEDS Goal Associated with Project:

Project 3 Title-  
Project Description:  
Cost:  
CEDS Goal Associated with Project:

Project 4 Title-  
Project Description:  
Cost:  
CEDS Goal Associated with Project:

Project 5 Title-  
Project Description:  
Cost:  
CEDS Goal Associated with Project:

**Regional Priority Ranking Criteria and Rating Scale**

**Review/Scoring Committee** will include SEAGO Staff and 1 representative from each county, who serves on the Economic Development Advisory Council. No representative will score their own proposed project.

**Evaluation Criteria** Please see below for a description on the review committee’s scoring criteria. Each project’s ranking will determined by its potential to reasonably meet EDA’s Investment Priorities, the Regional CEDS Goals, and EDA’s Economic Impact measures. Points will be given for each EDA Investment Priority that the proposed project meets. Additional points will be given for each Regional CEDS Goal and Economic Impact measure that the proposed project meets.

<b>REGIONAL RANKING CRITERIA AND RATING SCALE</b>			
<b>Total Points</b>	<b>EDA Investment Priority or Economic Impact</b>	<b>EDA Description</b>	<b>Regional CEDS Goal</b>
20	<b>Investment Priority</b> Critical Infrastructure <b>(10 Points)</b>	Projects that establish the fundamental building blocks of a prosperous and innovation-centric economy and a secure platform for American business, including physical (e.g., broadband, energy, roads, water, sewer) and other economic infrastructure.	Advocate and develop Quality Infrastructure to encourage greater economic development. <b>(5 Points)</b>  Supports building necessary infrastructure to support business <u>resiliency</u> . <b>(5 Points)</b>
20	<b>Investment Priority</b> Workforce Development & Manufacturing <b>(10 Points)</b>	Projects that support the planning and implementation of infrastructure for skills-training centers and related facilities that address the hiring needs of the business community -- particularly in the manufacturing sector -- with a specific emphasis on the expansion of apprenticeships and work-and-learn training models. Also includes projects that <b>encourage job creation and business expansion</b> in manufacturing, including infrastructure-related efforts that focus on advanced manufacturing of innovative, high-value products and enhancing manufacturing supply chains.	Enhance Educational and Workforce Training Opportunities <b>(5 Points)</b>  Supports business <u>resiliency</u> and growth. <b>(5 Points)</b>

15	<b>Investment Priority</b> Exports & FDI <b>(10 Points)</b>	Primarily infrastructure projects that enhance community assets (e.g., port facilities) to support growth in U.S. exports and increased foreign direct investment—and ultimately the return of jobs to the United States.	Expand SEAGO’s Border Region Economic Vitality and Impact by Pursuing Border Related Economic Development Opportunities. <b>(5 Points)</b>
15	<b>Investment Priority</b> Recovery & Resilience <b>(10 Points)</b>	Projects that assist with economic resilience (including business continuity and preparedness) and long-term recovery from natural disasters and economic shocks to ensure U.S. communities are globally competitive.	Strengthen, Expand and Diversify the Existing Economic Base within the SEAGO Region. <b>(5 Points)</b>
10	<b>Investment Priority</b> Opportunity Zones <b>(10 Points)</b>	Planning and implementation projects aimed at attracting private investment – including from Opportunity Funds – to grow businesses and create jobs in Census tracts that have been designated as Opportunity Zones. This includes targeted projects located within an Opportunity Zone; projects that, while not located within an Opportunity Zone, have a clear intent of benefitting nearby Opportunity Zone(s); and regional projects that encompass an area containing at least one Opportunity Zone with a clear intent of benefitting that Opportunity Zone. Opportunity Zones are designed to spur economic development by providing tax benefits to investors.	
10	<b>Economic Impact</b>  <b>(5 - 10 Points)</b>	Project effectively addresses the creation and/or retention of high-quality jobs or increases the area’s average wages/income in the reported jobs. If project demonstrates local economic impact, it will receive 5 points; if a project demonstrates region-wide economic impact, it will receive an additional 5 points	
10	<b>Economic Impact</b>  <b>(10 Points)</b>	Project will leverage both public and private sector investment.	

**Total Points Possible: 100**