



# Project Summary 2001

## FHWA National Scenic Byways Program

All sections must be completed on an electronic form at <http://www.byways.org>  
Applications must be submitted online and on paper.

State Submission Date 22-Jun-2000	Division Submission Date
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### Section A: State Program

State ME	Byway Program Start Date 02 Jul 1969	
Scenic Byway Agency Maine Dept. of Transportation-Office of Environmental Services		
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### Section B: Project Category

#### Project Type

Project associated with an All-American Road or a National Scenic Byway.

Is the project consistent with the Corridor Management Plan for the byway(s)?

Yes

#### Eligibility Category

Byway Facilities

## Section C: Project Info

Project Name Long Cove Scenic Turn-out and Rest Area	Project No. ME-0
	Applicant's Reference No. 5
Project Year 2001	
Counties and/or Regions Involved Hancock County	
Location of Project along Byway(s) Long Cove Scenic Turn-out and Rest Area, Route 1 Mile 2.8, Sullivan, Maine	
Federal Lands Crossed by Involved Byway(s) NPS	

## Associated Byways

State	Byway Name	Details	
ME	Schoodic Scenic Byway	Designation Date 15 Jun 2000	Intrinsic Qualities A,C,H,N,R,S
		Byway Organization Schoodic Scenic Byway Corridor Management Committee RR 1 Box 263 East Sullivan, ME 04607 Phone: 207-422-6706 Fax: 207-667-2099 E-mail: flandersbay@acadia.net	

\*IQ codes: A - Archaeological, C - Cultural, H - Historical, N - Natural, R - Recreational, S - Scenic

## Section D: Ready-To-Go

## Section E: Prior NSB-Funded Projects

FHWA Proj No.	Year	Project Name	Amount	Status
<i>No prior projects</i>				

## Section F: Project Abstract

This project funds research, engineering and construction of improvements for the existing State owned Long Cove turn-out and picnic area located on Route 1 in Sullivan, Maine. Improvements planned for 2001 include landscaping, vegetation management, upgrading the outhouse facility to ADA standards and installation of interpretive signage. Exploratory research will be conducted to determine the feasibility of expanding the current site or relocating to a larger alternative site.

## Section G: Project Narrative

NOTE: A description of the Corridor Management Committee titled "Who We Are" is included in the Tauntan Bridge Gateway Turn-out project proposal (#2) and is not repeated here.

### WHAT THIS PROJECT IS ABOUT

"Proceeding along Route 1, you will find a quaint picnic area (mile 2.8). The state-maintained area

## Section G: Project Narrative (Continued)

provides amenities including a toilet, picnic tables, and barbecue grill. From this spot, you'll enjoy a panoramic view of Long Cove. At low tide, you will see the local people clamming and worming in the expansive tidal flats. Both of these occupations are important to the local economy." (Schoodic Byway CMP, 2000)

The turnout at Long Cove at mile 2.8 on the Sullivan-Schoodic Scenic Byway allows visitors to watch the ebbing tide expose hundreds of yards of tidal flats as it drops ten vertical feet. It also affords them a chance to watch clammers and wormers at work. A trail leads down to the shore providing limited public access to the water and tidal flats. The current small turnout has tree-covered picnic tables in an attractive park area.

This site's major shortcoming is the small size of its parking area with limited potential for expansion. The existing wooden guardrails are deteriorated and some or all should be replaced. This site offers the only public restroom (outhouse) on the Route 1 portion of the Scenic Byway, but the facility is deteriorated and is not ADA compliant. Cars that are unable to enter this facility often stop on the narrow gravel shoulders in order to enjoy the view. Two strategies must be considered for the Long Cove turn out. One is to improve the current site, including interpretive and directional signage and limited expansion of size. The alternative is to acquire land that is nearby and relocate the turn out.

### First Year

1. Perform a needs assessment for this turn-out
2. Conduct a public review and obtain all necessary State permits, if any.
3. Place an interpretive/educational sign at the site describing natural and scenic resources and the clamming and worming industries.
4. Upgrade the current restroom facility to meet ADA accessibility requirements.
5. Replace approximately 20 meters of deteriorated wooden guardrails .
6. Determine the cost/feasibility of creating a second turnout on the cove about 1/4 miles away where there is more room for vehicles and where it is more safe to enter/exit Route 1. The property at that site is in a transition stage of ownership/development so this could be an opportune time to acquire it. Otherwise, state-owned property on the north side of Route 1 should be evaluated.
7. If the feasibility study is positive, seek funding to acquire the property and construct a turnout. Working with the businesses (grocery store, restaurant) near that site.

### Second Year

1. If the feasibility study is positive and funds are appropriated, conduct the process of site engineering, property acquisition, permitting and construction of an alternative turnout working with the businesses (grocery store, restaurant) near that site.
2. Determine ways to further educate visitors about clamming, worming and other fishing occupations carried out in Long Cove.

### PROJECT BENEFITS

The Long Cove turn-out is very attractive, park like environment with a close-up view of the Long Cove. The small size of the current turn-out limits use to a small number of cars and presents safety problems due to limited space for deceleration and acceleration from the 50 mph road. Since this site is well established, improvements can be built with minimal

Visitors benefit from this improvement by getting an opportunity to see a protected tidal-flat area with

## Section G: Project Narrative (Continued)

lots of human activity during high and low tides. Interpretive signage would provide visitors with a much richer learning experience. Residents would benefit from improvements with better traffic flow and lower risk of accidents from cars making impulsive stops in this section of the byway. They will also benefit from improvements to the restroom and picnic facilities.

## Section H: Work Plan

Line Item	Task/Milestone Description	Start Date/ Duration	Work Category
001	Needs assessment	01 Jan 2001 2 Months	Const. - Turn-outs
	Responsible Party: Hancock County Planning Commission		
	<b>Justification:</b> Future demand for each site will be estimated based on historic visitation patterns, estimates of future visitors and local input. Methods for projecting demand will include (1) trend extrapolation from historic traffic counts, (2) comparative case-studies, (3) data gathered by the National Park Service and (4) local input. Needs assessment is invaluable in designing a facility that will serve visitors and residents. The data assembled will also provide a baseline for future evaluation of the scenic turn-out.		
002	Plan review and State permitting	01 Mar 2001 4 Months	Const. - Turn-outs
	Responsible Party: Corridor Management Committee		
	<b>Justification:</b> Town planning boards will provide assistance in assuring that vegetation management, site planning, construction and aesthetics are consistent with Town plans and ordinances and will provide local control over project implementation. MDOT will provide review of design and implementation issues to assure that these turnouts meet current access management standards and contribute to safety on the byway. Feedback from MDOT and town planning boards will be used in refining turn-out designs. A minimum of two public hearings will be held during the design process in order to clarify local interests and further refine the design. The CMC will work with the towns, HCPC and MDOT to obtain required permits.		
003	Construction of turn-out improvements	01 Jul 2001 3 Months	Const. - Turn-outs
	Responsible Party: Maine Department of Transportation		
	<b>Justification:</b> This work will entail limited improvements in landscaping, guard-rail replacement, replacement of the restroom facility, access management and vegetation control. The site is already a State-owned turnout. Improvements will facilitate convenience and enjoyment for visitors.		
004	Install directional and interpretive signage	01 Aug 2001 1 Month	Const. - Turn-outs
	Responsible Party: Maine Department of Transportation		
	<b>Justification:</b> Directional signage, as indicated in the directional signage plan, should provide visitors with adequate notification of turn-outs. The line of site for this fail. Current directional signage for this site may be adequate. Interpretive signage will provide users with a better understanding		

## Section H: Work Plan (Continued)

004	of the working natural resources and landscape.
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## Section I: Budget

Line Item	Description	Total Cost	Request Amt.
001	Needs assessment	\$1,000	\$800
002	Plan review and state permitting	\$1,000	\$800
003	ADA toilet facility	\$15,000	\$12,000
004	Replace wooden guardrails (20 meters)	\$900	\$720
005	Conduct feasibility study of creating an alternative turn-out and rest area	\$1,000	\$800
<b>Totals</b>		<b>\$18,900</b>	<b>\$15,120</b>

Difference between Total Cost and Requested Amount is \$3780 or 20.0% of total.  
 Total Match from Section J is \$3780 or 20.0% of total.  
 These two amounts must be equal for the Budget and Match sections to be complete.

For your information, 80% of Total Cost is \$15120, and 20% of Total Cost is \$3780.  
 Your match amount cannot be less than 20% of Total Cost.

## Section J: Match Breakdown

Source	Description	Type	Value
Maine Department of Transportation		Cash	\$3,780
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$3,780</b>

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## Section K: Project Coordinator

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Agency/Group Schoolic Scenic Byway Corridor Management Committee	Title Chairperson	
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## Section L: Signatures

State Scenic Byways Agency

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Maine Scenic Byways Program Manager

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Date

Matching Funds Certification

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Deane Van Dusen  
Emeritus Byways Program Manager

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Date

## Section M: Congressional Members

### Associated States

State	Senators
ME	Collins, Susan Snowe, Olympia

### State Representatives

State	District	Representative
ME	2	Baldacci, John Elias

## Section N: Attachments

- USGS Map Indicating Location
- Photograph of the location
- A Conceptual Diagram of the Scenic Turnout