

Climate Pollution Reduction Grants (CPRG) Awardees

Initial Planning Workshop

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Workshop Agenda

- Welcome and Introductions
- Contracting Process

Overview

- Key Considerations
- Q&A Discussion



Award Agreement/Contracting Process Overview

- Agreement/Contract Review
 - Terms and Conditions
 - Workplan
 - Budget
 - Schedule and Milestones
- Internal Approval Process Initiation
 - Agreement execution
 - Competitive bid process
- Subcontract Preparation
 - Partner classifications
 - Coordination with subrecipients
 - Flow down of federal terms

- Environmental Review
 - CPRG projects not subject to National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)
 - Coordination with state/local authorities on review processes



Key Considerations - Project Management

- Timeline
 - Finalize contract materials to obligate funds (execute agreement) by November 2024
 - Awardees may incur expenses now at their own risk
- Special Terms and Conditions
 - Flow to subcontracts
- Procurement
 - BABA/Davis Bacon
- Regular progress reporting (semi-annual and final)
 - Status, budget, data collection, impacts/outcomes
- Special reporting

- Invoicing and Reimbursement
 - Internal accounting process alignment
 - Labor documentation (timesheets)
 - Payment documentation



Key Considerations - Community Benefits, Engagement and DACs

- •Plan, coordinate and report on meaningful community engagement activities:
 - Outreach and engagement strategy
 - Having a community-elected member(s) on planning and project teams
 - A community work group or advisory board made up of community members
- Be prepared to **quantify** benefits to low-income and disadvantaged communities
 - Reported one year after grant award in 2nd semi-annual progress report
 - Include changes to co-pollutant emissions



Key Considerations – Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAAP)

- Required if your project is collecting environmental data, e.g. emissions inventory
- Steps through the thought process of planning a data collection project and providing a framework for documentation
- Should be completed and approved before data collection is started
- EPN/TRC have templates and guidelines for QAAP development



Resources

- CPRG Implementation Grants Pre-Award Checklist
- Resources on EPN's Website
- 1-1 TRC/EPN Support: epa-support@trccompanies.com



Thank You



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