Local Government Challenge Pre-Application Workshop

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Agenda

- Policy drivers and goals
- Funding availability
- Eligibility and Requirements
- Submission and Scoring Criteria
- Schedule
- Q&A
Policy Drivers

- Senate Bill 350
- Assembly Bill 802
- Existing Buildings Energy Efficiency Action Plan
  - Strategy 1.7: Local Government Leadership
Local Government Challenge Goals

- Help meet state energy and climate targets
- Climate planning
- Increase existing building efficiency
- Provide opportunities to small local governments and disadvantaged communities
Purpose of the Solicitation

• $10.2 million ARRA federal grant funding to local governments
• Develop and implement climate action plans
• Fund innovation in building energy efficiency
Funding Available

• $10.2 million total
• $3 million for Small Government Leadership Challenge
• $7.2 million for Energy Innovation Challenge
• Based on applications received
Small Government Leadership Challenge

• Local governments with populations less than 150,000

• $3 million available
  – Min grant $250,000
  – Max grant $1 million

• Planning activities, i.e., Climate Action Plan, strategies within Plan
Energy Innovation Challenge

• All local governments and local government consortia eligible
• $7.2 million available
  ➢ Min grant $1 million
  ➢ Max grant $2 million
• Implementation of innovative efficiency deployment projects
• Share best practices and implementation templates to other local governments
Eligible Applicants

- Small and large local government entities, specifically cities; counties; joint powers authorities; councils of governments; housing authorities; consortia; and special districts
- Small local governments can apply independently or as part of a local government consortia
Eligible Projects

• Located in CA
• Reduce energy use and/or energy purchased from the grid in buildings
• Create a plan to reduce energy use in buildings
• Create an Action Plan or meet Action Plan goals
Additional Requirements

- Energy Commission must approve proposed awards at a business meeting prior to June 30, 2017
- Energy Commission must complete CEQA and NEPA review by encumbrance deadline
- Agreement end date March 31, 2021
Federal Flow-down Requirements Apply

• National Environmental Policy Act
• Davis Bacon Act
• National Historic Preservation Act
• Waste Management Plan
• Single Audit Act
• Buy American Act
Evaluation and Award Process

• Administrative screening
• Technical screening
• Technical evaluation
• 70.00 point minimum score to be considered for award
• Grants awarded until funding exhausted
Attachments (1 of 2)

- Attachment 1- Application Form
- Attachment 2- Scope of Work
- Attachment 3- Scope of Work Instructions
- Attachment 4- Schedule of Products
- Attachment 5- Budget Forms
- Attachment 6- Contacts
- Attachment 7- Project Narrative
- Attachment 8- CEQA Compliance Form
- Attachment 9- NEPA Compliance Form
Attachments (2 of 2)

• Attachment 10- DBA Prevailing Wage
• Attachment 11- State Law Prevailing Wage Compliance
• Attachment 12- National Historic Preservation Act
• Attachment 13- Waste Management Plan Certification
• Attachment 14- Guidance on Waste Management Plans
• Attachment 15- Single Audit Act Compliance
• Attachment 16- Budget Detail and Payment Provisions
• Attachment 17- General Terms and Conditions
• Attachment 18- Special Terms and Conditions
Proposal Submission

• Applications due March 6, 2017 at 5:00 pm
• Energy Commission Grant Solicitation System: https://gss.energy.ca.gov/
• OR hard copy  
  - U.S. mail, in person, courier service  
• No exceptions to deadline!
Grounds for Rejection

- Application contains false or intentionally misleading information
- The application is intended to erroneously and fallaciously mislead the State in its evaluation
- It does not literally comply or contains caveats that conflict with the solicitation
- The applicant has previously received funding through a Public Interest Energy Research (PIER) agreement and is not in compliance with repaying royalties
## Scoring Criteria

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<td>3. Technical Approach</td>
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<td>5. Team Qualifications</td>
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## Schedule

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Solicitation Documents

http://www.energy.ca.gov/contracts/GFO-16-404/
Questions?