

Sandy Funding Criteria Worksheet

State Department:
New Jersey Transit Corporation
Name of Expenditure or Program:
Interoperational Communications Resiliency
Amount:
\$30 Million

Overview:
Upgrade of Interoperational Communications including, but not limited to communication facilities and systems so as to allow critical personnel greater ability to communicate and provide appropriate command and control capabilities, during severe storms, disasters or special or exigent circumstances and recovery periods as well as upgrades to Police and Emergency Operations capabilities.
Federal Department of Origin:
United States Department of Transportation, Federal Transit Administration (FTA)
Federal Requirements / Restrictions:
Disaster Relief Appropriations Act of 2013 enacted on January 29, 2013 sets forth various requirements and restrictions. Furthermore FTA is to promulgate regulations in the future regarding grants made under this Act. EO 125 sets forth certain State requirements and restrictions. Grants will contain requirements and restrictions. Also subject to "Notice Of Funding Availability" (NOFA). Future grants will have varying requirements and restrictions. It is anticipated that the grant requirements and restrictions will be similar the ARRA grants previously received.
Selection Standards:
Development of long term resiliency improvements to the NJ TRANSIT System, in particular, as to those areas that have been identified as having been impacted during Hurricane Sandy in order to reduce risk of damage from future severe weather or natural disasters. MPO must select projects after Committee Review based on MPO Standards.
Eligibility Standards:
Program needs to be approved North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority, Metropolitan Planning Organization required by FTA. An application is required to be made by NJ TRANSIT. Grant approval is determined under the "Public Transportation Emergency Relief Program" administered by FTA as authorized under Section 5324 of Title 49 of the United States Code, Special Provisions for Capital Projects. A Grant must be issued by FTA before funds are received by NJ TRANSIT to fund this Program.
Other Notes:
Minutes of Approval by North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority, Metropolitan Planning Organization, of this Program on March 11, 2013, has been forwarded to the Office of the Governor for approval.