Delivering Local Assistance Program

Grant Application Workshop
September 5, 2019
Funding Available

• $21.5 Million total in funding through a state funded program created as a result of 2019 Legislature in House Bill 652 (HB 652)
  – $10.75 for eligible local governments
  – At least $10.75 for eligible school districts
Eligible Applicants

• Local Governments impacted by natural resource development as defined in House Bill 652, 2019 Legislative Session
  – City or Town
  – County
  – Consolidated Local Government
  – Tribal Government
  – Water, Sewer, Solid Waste District
  – School District
  – Authority defined in 75-6-304
Applicants

• Local governments must be able to demonstrate impact related to growth or decline associated with coal, oil, gas, or timber

• Recorded local production records as reported by Dept. of Revenue, DNRC or other federal or state agencies. Describe impacts further in narrative responses
Eligible Project Types – Local Governments

- Drinking Water Systems
- Wastewater Treatment Systems
- Sanitary Sewer or Storm Sewer Systems
- Solid Waste Disposal & Separation Systems
- Bridges
- Facilities for government administration
- Public safety related to law enforcement, fire protection, emergency services
Eligible Projects - Schools

• Related to life safety or security issues
• Major repairs or deferred maintenance in existing facility
• Major improvements or enhancements to existing facility
Projects, cont.

- Applicants may apply for multiple projects
- Projects must be stand alone
- Applications for projects already underway will be accepted, back to January 1, 2019, but will be ranked based on need and priority
Eligible Funding

- $750,000 per project
- Maximum $1.5 million, per county

- Local Government applications with overlapping boundaries must present which project is highest local priority

- A City/Town does not need to prioritize with a school within the City/Town boundaries also applies
  - Funding is separated for local gov’ts & schools
Funding, cont.

• If an applicant also applied to the 2018 TSEP funding cycle and did not receive legislative approval for funding, the amount applied for may not exceed the original TSEP amount requested.

• However, if the applicant is unsure TSEP HB652 bonding funds will be received, a DLA higher amount may be requested, but may be reduced depending on TSEP projects funded with bonding.
Funding, cont.

- Projects with substantial changes from TSEP the application need to submit a full application to DLA
- Projects that do not have substantial changes, and are not approved for HB 652 bonding funds, from the TSEP application need only completed Sections 1 & 2 (natural resource development impact component) for DLA
Application Submission

• Submit applications no later than September 30, 2019 (postmarked or delivered by 5:00pm)
• Commerce may request additional information as necessary to clarify the proposed project
Application

• One hardcopy, one electronic copy

• [https://transfer.mt.gov/](https://transfer.mt.gov/)

• [DOCCDD@mt.gov](mailto:DOCCDD@mt.gov) (if file size permits)

• Department of Commerce
  Community Development Division
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  Helena, MT 59620-0523
Ranking and Review

• Commerce staff will create prioritized list(s) based on program criteria
• Higher consideration will be given to those projects with greater impacts of coal, oil, gas and timber
• Funds available at time start-up conditions are met as defined in HB 652
• Start-up conditions must be met by September 30, 2020
Considerations

• TSEP Grant Administration Manual applies
• Technical or Planning documents may be requested
  – Development of plans limited to 5% DLA requested
• Matching funds are not required, but encouraged
• Compliance with Montana Environmental Policy Act (MEPA) will need be completed after DLA award is received
Questions?

- Email or call CDD staff at:
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  - 406-841-2770
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