

FY 2015 PORT SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM (PSGP) NOTICE OF FUNDING OPPORTUNITY (NOFO) – KEY CHANGES

PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE

In FY 2015 the PSGP will have a period of performance of thirty-six months.

PORT AREAS/FUNDING ALLOCATIONS

FY 2015 the PSGP will discontinue having two designated Port Area groupings. All Port Areas will be selected for funding through a competitive review process.

COST MATCH

No distinction will be made between public and private sector applicants. All PSGP award recipients must provide a non-Federal match (cash or in-kind) supporting ***at least 25 percent of the total project cost*** for each proposed project. The FY 2015 PSGP Notice of Funding Opportunity includes some exceptions to this general requirement.

COST MATCH WAIVERS

Applicants requesting a cost-share waiver that does not demonstrate new, *post-award* difficulties and cost-share waivers submitted at the time of application will not be considered.

REQUESTS FOR SMALL BOATS WITH CBRNE CAPABILITIES

New for FY 2015: Vessels failing to identify CBRNE capabilities may be considered for funding under exceptional circumstances verified by the Captain of the Port. For a vessel to be considered a CBRNE platform, it must include one or more of the general equipment noted below:

- Radioisotope Identification Device (RIID)
- Radiation detection backpack(s)
- Boat-mounted Radiation detection system
- Personal Radiation Detector (PRD) in conjunction with a RIID, backpack, or vessel mounted system

FUNDING DOCUMENT TITLE AND FORMAT

The Department of Homeland Security issued Grant Alert 15-03, replacing the Funding Opportunity Announcement template with the Notice of Funding Opportunity template. The new template changes the format and information contained in the previous Funding Opportunity Announcement.

UNIFORM ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS, COST PRINCIPLES, AND AUDIT REQUIREMENTS

The Department of Homeland Security adopted 2 C.F.R. Part 200. Now that DHS has adopted 2 C.F.R. Part 200, these new regulations will apply to all new Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) grant awards that are made on or after December 26, 2014. The new regulations will supersede 44 C.F.R. Part 13, and the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circulars A-21, A-87, A-89, A-102, A-110, A-122, A-133, and sections of A-50 for all FEMA awards made on or after December 26, 2014. This means that recipients of PSGP funding must follow new administrative requirements and Cost Principles codified in 2 C.F.R. Part 200 instead of the previous regulations in 44 C.F.R. Part 13.