

TIGER II Grant Application Development: Timeline and Information Request

Below is a summary of TIGER II deadlines and information that will be needed for major application milestones, such as the pre-application and final application.

What is needed for the pre-application, due July 16th?

According to the June 1, 2010 NoFA, the pre-application form must include the following information:

1. Applicant information
2. Project location (states, counties, cities, congressional districts affected, urban/rural designation, economically distressed area designation)
3. Project title (descriptive)
4. Project type (mode)
5. Project description (50 words or less)
6. Total grant funds requested
7. An assurance that the NEPA process is complete or substantially complete, unless an exception is justified.
 - a. DOT will consider exceptions on a case-by-case basis. An applicant must provide a reasonable justification for why NEPA review was not initiated with a Federal agency prior to the date of this notice, and an assurance that the necessary environmental reviews can be completed at least 90 days in advance of the September 30, 2012, deadline for obligation of TIGER II Discretionary Grant funds. An example of a reasonable justification for why an applicant has not initiated NEPA review would be if, prior to the availability of TIGER II Discretionary Grant funds, there was no reasonable expectation of receiving Federal funding for the project.
8. An assurance that local matching funds to support 20 percent or more of the costs of the project are identified and committed

TPB staff is requesting specific project details and documentation regarding items 6, 7, and 8 above and specific information on project locations and descriptions. This information must be submitted to TPB staff **no later than July 1, 2010**.

What is needed for the final application, due August 23rd?

1. Project Description
2. Project Parties
3. Grant Funds and Sources/Uses of Project Funds
4. Selection Criteria (information about how the project aligns with each of the primary and secondary selection criteria and a description of the results of the benefit-cost analysis)
5. Project Readiness and NEPA (information about how ready the project is to move forward quickly, including information about the project schedule, environmental approvals, legislative approvals, state and local planning, technical feasibility, and financial feasibility)
6. Federal Wage Rate Certification

TPB staff will be requesting information as needed to complete the benefit-cost analysis that is required for the application. Additional items that will be needed from project partners include support letters, project schedules, and documentation assuring technical and financial feasibility.

Major deadlines and information needed:

Deadline	Information Needed
June 14, 2010	General project details are requested by COB, including: 1. Project type and description 2. General project costs
June 16, 2010	The general TIGER II proposal will be presented to the TPB for approval.
July 1, 2010	Deadline to submit project details including: 1. Project owner 2. Project locations and descriptions 3. Project cost 4. Match amount and source 5. NEPA assurance
July 9, 2010	The grant pre-application will be presented to the TPB Steering Committee for approval
July 14, 2010	The grant pre-application will be presented to the COG Board of Directors for approval.
July 16, 2010	Pre-application is due to U.S. DOT.
August 23, 2010	Final application due to U.S. DOT.

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