Which Grant is Best for my Project?

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Project Scope
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• What is the problem or goal?
• Options to correct?
Project Scope

• How much will it cost?
Project Scope

- Do you have money for matching funds? Or available time for in-kind services?
Project Scope

• What is the timeline?
Project Scope

• Long-term maintenance and use?
• Deed restrictions? Ownership restrictions?
Project Scope

• Who will manage the grant?
Grant Types
FEMA Grants

- BRIC – Building Resilient Infrastructure & Communities
- FMA – Flood Mitigation Assistance
- HMGP – Hazard Mitigation Grant Program
Building Resilient Infrastructure & Communities

- Replaces PDM (Pre-Disaster Mitigation)
- Annual funding
- Pre-disaster mitigation projects for all hazards
- Cost share: 25% local, except small, impoverished communities are 10%
- Competitive across the US
- $500 million available in FY20
Flood Mitigation Assistance

- Annual funding
- Projects must reduce flood risk for structures insured under the National Flood Insurance Program
- Cost share: 0%-25% local
- Competitive across the US
- $160 million in FY20
Hazard Mitigation Grant Program

• Only available after a presidentially declared disaster
• Funding available is based on damage from the disaster
• Projects may be of any nature that will result in protection of public or private property from natural hazards.
• Cost share: 13% local
• Competitive within KY
FEMA Grant Examples
Increased Cost of Compliance

- Not a grant, part of property owner’s insurance
- Used only for substantially damaged buildings due to flood
- Can be used to elevate, demolish, relocate, or floodproof (only non-residential), a structure
HUD Community Development Block Grants (Disaster Recovery Assistance)

- HUD provides flexible grants to help cities, counties, parishes, and states recover from presidentially declared disasters, especially in low- and moderate-income areas.
- Funds appropriated by Congress after presidentially declared disasters.
US Army Corps of Engineers
Planning Assistance to States

- Water resource projects
- Planning studies only, not a detailed design
  - Comprehensive Plans
  - Technical Assistance
- Cost share: 50% federal/50% non-federal
US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) General Investigation Studies

• Projects that solve a water resources issue
• Planning study required
• Cost share:
  • Planning studies: 50% federal/50% non-federal (1st $100,000 is 100% federal)
  • Construction: 65% federal/35% non-federal (typically)
• Funding requires congressional appropriations
Examples of USACE projects
KY Department of Local Government State Flood Control Matching Grant Program

• Grants to help meet cost-share match requirements associated with projects funded by:
  • U.S. Corps of Engineers
  • Federal Emergency Management Agency
  • Natural Resources Conservation Service

• Cities, counties, special districts and area development districts are eligible for grants

• Year-round application
EPA 319h Funding

• KDOW distributes funding
• Projects address nonpoint source pollution
• Funds may be used for innovative best management practices, education and outreach programs, Watershed Based Plans
• Annual funding
• Competitive within KY
• 40% local match
National Resource Conservation Service
Environmental Quality Incentives Program

• Financial and technical assistance to help develop a conservation plan
• Projects address natural resource concerns and deliver environmental benefits, including reductions of non-point source pollution
• Farmers, ranchers, and forest landowners who own or rent agricultural land are eligible.
• Cost share: 25% local, 10% local for socially disadvantaged, limited-resource, beginning, and veteran farmers and ranchers
Local Programs, Private Grants, & Others
Summary

• What do you hope to accomplish?
• How much will it cost?
• Do you have matching funds?
• Will it pass the Benefit-Cost Calculation?
• What is the timeline?
Questions?

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