



CLIMATE POLLUTION REDUCTION GRANTS

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Program Overview

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AAPCA Fall Business Meeting

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CPRG Program



2022 Inflation Reduction Act authorized creation of two-phase \$5 billion program:

- **Planning grants** to develop strong climate pollution reduction strategies (\$250 M)
 - Program guidance for noncompetitive grants issued March 1, 2023
- **Implementation grants** to help put plans into action (\$4.6 B)
 - Two competitions announced September 20, 2023
 - \$4.3 billion general competition for all eligible applicants; applications due April 1, 2024
 - \$300 million competition for tribes and territories; applications due May 1, 2024

CPRG Program Objectives



Implement ambitious measures that will achieve significant cumulative greenhouse gas (GHG) reductions by 2030 and beyond



Achieve substantial community benefits (such as reduction of criteria and hazardous air pollutants), particularly in low-income and disadvantaged communities



Complement other funding sources to maximize these GHG reductions and community benefits



Pursue innovative policies and programs that are replicable and can be “scaled up” across multiple jurisdictions

One planning grant, three deliverables over 4 years



Priority Climate Action Plan (PCAP)

- States/MSAs: due **March 1, 2024**
- Tribe/territory: due **April 1, 2024**
- Near-term, implementation-ready, **priority greenhouse gas (GHG) reduction measures**
- **Prerequisite** for eligible entities in the area covered by the plan to apply for implementation grants



Comprehensive Climate Action Plan (CCAP)

- Due in **2025, 2 years after award** (later for tribes and territories)
- **Address all sectors** and significant GHG sources/sinks
- **Near- and long-term** GHG emission reduction goals and **strategies**



Status Report

- Due in **2027** (N/A for tribes or territories)
- **Updated** analyses and plans
- **Progress and next steps** for key metrics

Features of CPRG Climate Action Plans



- Consider GHG reduction measures across **all significant sources/sinks and sectors**
- Establish **near-term and long-term** GHG emission reduction targets
- Maximize benefits from measures, especially for **low-income and disadvantaged communities**



- Opportunity for peer-to-peer technical assistance, collaboration, and mentoring
- Sharing of case studies, best practices, and lessons learned
- Forums focus on key aspects of climate action planning and key sectors
- Facilitated and led by EPA subject matter experts and contractors
- Registration links were sent out to lead organizations

Kickoff Meeting	Frequency	Technical Assistance Forum Topic	Topics to Cover
Thursday, Sept 14, 2-3:30 PM ET	Second Thursday of Every Month	Climate Planning Analytics	GHG Inventory, Co-Pollutant Inventory and Future Projections Benefits Analysis, GHG Emission Projections and Target Setting
Monday, Sept 18, 2-3:30 PM ET	Third Monday of Every Month	Climate Planning Process	Climate Planning Basics, Interagency and Stakeholder Coordination, Workforce Development, Leveraging other federal resources
Tuesday, Sept 26, 2-3:30 PM ET	Fourth Tuesday of Every Month	Tribes and Territories	Topics of interest to Tribes and Territories including Tribal and Territory GHG Inventories and GHG reduction measures
Wednesday, Oct 4, 2-3:30 PM ET	First Wednesday of Every Month	Low-Income & Disadvantaged Communities (LIDAC) in States and MSAs	Meaningful Engagement, LIDAC Benefits Analysis
Wednesday, Oct 11, 2-3:30 PM ET	Second Wednesday of Every Month	Electric Power Sector	GHG reduction measures, Quantifying sector-based emission reductions
Tuesday, Oct 17, 2-3:30 PM ET	Third Tuesday of Every Month	Industry Sector	GHG reduction measures, Quantifying sector-based emission reductions
Wednesday, Oct 25, 2-3:30 PM ET	Fourth Wednesday of Every Month	Transportation Sector	GHG reduction measures, Quantifying sector-based emission reductions
Thursday, Nov 2, 2-3:30 PM ET	First Thursday of Every Month	Commercial and Residential Buildings Sector	GHG reduction measures, Quantifying sector-based emission reductions
Tuesday, Nov 7, 2-3:30 PM ET	First Tuesday of Every Month	Agriculture/Natural and Working Lands Sector	GHG reduction measures, Quantifying sector-based emission reductions
Monday, Nov 13, 2-3:30 PM ET	Second Monday of Every Month	Waste and Materials Management Sector	GHG reduction measures, Quantifying sector-based emission reductions

Additional resources, tools, and trainings available on EPA CPRG website

Capacity Building Through Effective Meaningful Engagement

A TOOL FOR LOCAL AND STATE GOVERNMENTS



[EPA booklet released September 2023](#)

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Implementation Grants Competitions



Timeline for General Competition

Sept 20, 2023	Feb 1, 2024	March 1, 2024	April 1, 2024	July 2024*	October 2024*
Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) released	Optional Notice of Intent to Apply deadline	Priority Climate Action Plans due	Application deadline	Notification of Awards	Funds Awarded

Parallel Timeline for Tribes and Territories Competition

September 20, 2023	March 1, 2024	April 1, 2024	May 1, 2024	September 2024*	December 2024*

*Anticipated Dates

For More Information



Upcoming Implementation Grant Competition Overview Webinars

- October 3, 3pm Eastern: General Competition
- October 5, 1pm Eastern: Tribes and Territories Competition

Webinar Registration, NOFOs, Questions and Answers, Training, Technical Resources, Newsletter Signup

www.epa.gov/inflation-reduction-act/climate-pollution-reduction-grants

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