



National Clean Diesel Campaign

FY 2015 STATE CLEAN DIESEL GRANT PROGRAM FACT SHEET FOR EPA REGIONS AND PARTICIPATING AND CONTINUING STATES AND TERRITORIES

FY 2015 – SPECIFIC FUNDING HIGHLIGHTS

- DERA 2010 Reauthorization included changes to the DERA State Program:
 - States* and territories** may use their funding to run a rebate program.
 - All projects must use verified technologies or certified engine configurations.
 - States and territories must make a public notification listing project information on their state websites within 60 days of making a grant, rebate, or loan. Website postings must include the total number and dollar amount of rebates, grants, or loans provided, as well as a breakdown of the technologies funded.
 - States and territories must use the statutory priorities defined in DERA when selecting projects (described in FY 2014 National Funding Assistance Program's Request for Proposals (RFP # EPA-OAR-OTAQ-14-05)).
- All projects funded with FY 2015 State Clean Diesel Program funds, cost-share funds, and matching funds (as applicable) must meet all eligible funding requirements in RFP # EPA-OAR-OTAQ-14-05[†].
- Please note that the normal attrition time for engine/vehicle replacement projects funded with FY 2015 State Program funds is September 2018, meaning that vehicles or engines in the projects must not be scheduled to be replaced before September 2018.
- States or territories with currently open FY 2014 State Program awards will receive FY 2015 as supplemental amendments to their FY 2014 State Program grants.
- States or territories with an open FY 2008-2011 or FY 2012-2013 DERA State grant must complete all grant activities and incur all costs for their current State Program grant by September 30, 2015, in order to receive FY 2015 State Program funds.

* "States" includes fifty U.S. States and the District of Columbia.

**"Territories" includes the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, Guam, American Samoa, and the United States Virgin Islands.

† EPA will consider individual state or territories waiver request for extraordinary circumstances regarding individual projects for specific non threshold or statute required RFP #EPA-OAR-OTAQ-14-05 requirements on a case by case basis. State or territories must obtain EPA

approval to any waiver request before conducting any work on a project involving a waiver request.

- Please note the following three changes to the RFP# EPA-OAR-OTAQ-14-05 requirements will impact FY2015 State Program funds.
 - Nonroad: Horsepower increases of more than 25 percent will require specific approval by EPA prior to purchase, and the applicant must pay the additional costs associated with the higher horsepower equipment.
 - Funding can cover up to 100% of the cost (labor and equipment) of verified idle reduction technologies on school buses with model year 2006 or older engines that have been previously retrofitted with a verified emission control device. This exception is limited to school buses as defined in EPA-OAR-OTAQ-14-05.
 - Cutting a three inch diameter hole in the engine block is the preferred scrapping method.

- If all 50 States, the District of Columbia, and the five qualifying territories participate in the FY 2015 State Program, then:
 - Each State, the District of Columbia, and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico will receive a base allocation of 1.887 percent of 2/3 of the total FY 2015 State Program allocation.
 - Guam, the United States Virgin Islands, American Samoa, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands will each receive a base allocation of 0.472 percent of 2/3 of the total FY 2015 State Program allocation.

- If fewer than all 50 States, the District of Columbia, and the five qualifying territories participate in the FY 2015 State Program, then the available base allocations to the participating states and territories will be modified in accordance with the methodology outlined at 42 U.S.C. § 16133(c)(2)(B).

- States and territories cannot fund federally mandated projects.

FY 2015 State Program Funding Schedule	
Description of Tasks	Date
Release the Notice of Intent to Participate and Notice to Continue to states and territories.	Wednesday, April 1, 2015
Notice of Intent to Participate or Notice of Intent to Continue and match due from all participating states and territories.	Wednesday, April 22, 2015
OTAQ sends out allocation amounts, schedule, timeline, and instructions to regions via email to EPA Air Division Directors.	Wednesday, April 29, 2015
States' and territories' final Statement of Work plans are due to EPA regional offices.	Wednesday, May 13, 2015