



## **REGION 6 2 Year Action Plan (2017-2018)**

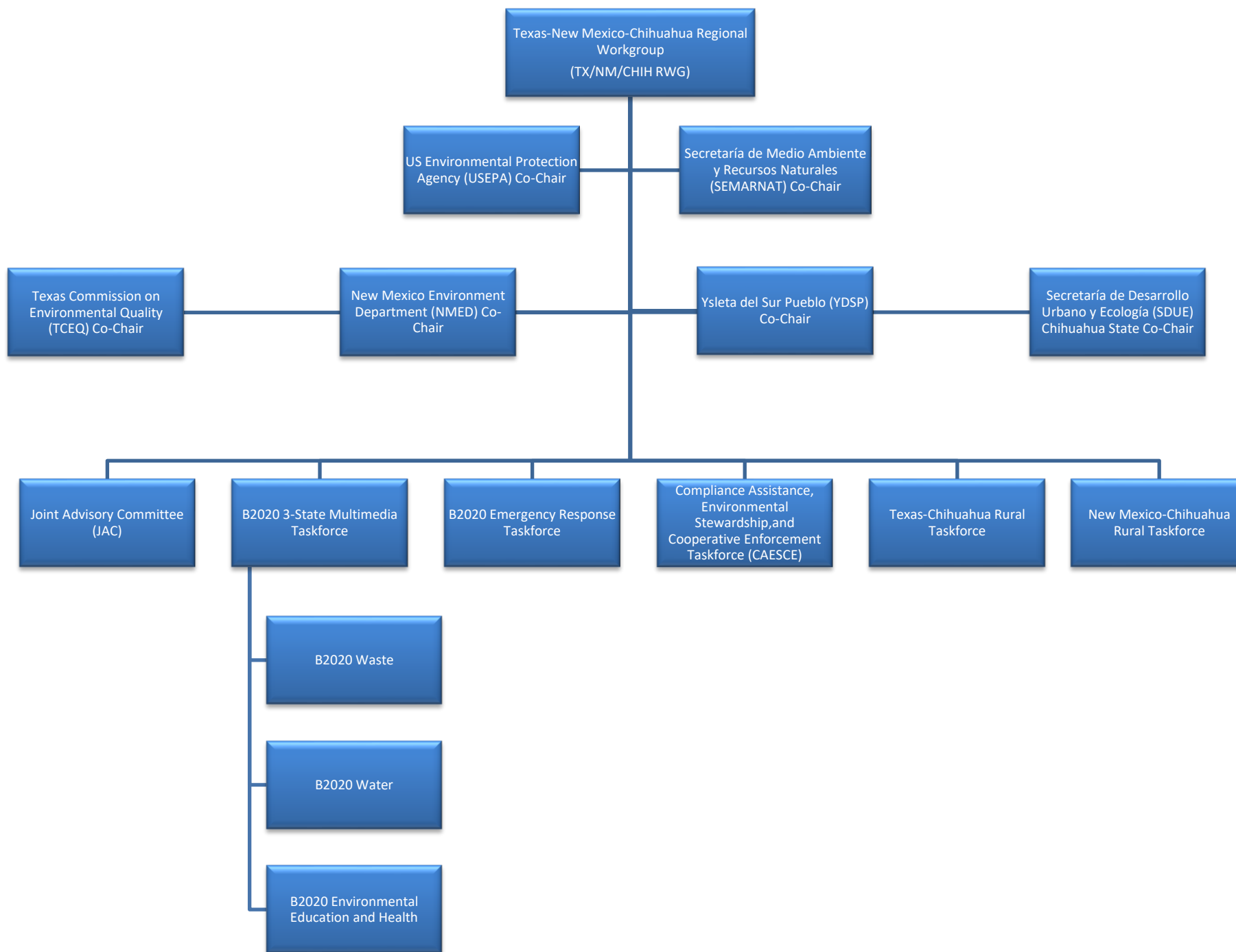
### **Texas – New Mexico – Chihuahua Regional Workgroup (TX/NM/CHIH RWG)**

The Texas- New Mexico-Chihuahua Region stretches approximately 500 miles (800 km) along the international boundary from the Coronado National Forest to Big Bend National Park and includes the following major sister cities: Columbus-Palomas, Las Cruces-El Paso-Ciudad Juárez, and Presidio-Ojinaga. This region is a part of the Chihuahua Desert ecosystem that is primarily comprised of arid to semi-arid biotic communities and is home to the second largest community along the U.S.-Mexico Border known as the Paso del Norte region. The Paso del Norte region is made up of the fastest growing desert cities (Ciudad Juárez, El Paso, and Las Cruces) that share the same limited water resources. Almost two million residents live in the urban and semi-urban area. This population forms an important part of the growing binational economy of the region.

Federal, State and Tribal Partners from the U.S. and Mexico serve as the Co-Chairs of the TX/NM/CHIH RWG (see Organizational Chart). The Co-Chairs support local Taskforce efforts and coordinate activities at the regional and local levels. Among other responsibilities, Co-Chairs encourage open dialogue and public participation, leverage resources to achieve program goals, help ensure concrete measurable results, and recommend issues beyond regional scope to be addressed by the Policy Forums. The US EPA El Paso Border Office staff, together with Program Partners help coordinate the Tri-State RWG activities and reports to ensure transparency and timely access to environmental information. The multiple taskforces within the regional workgroup are the foundation of the RWG that encourage local decision-making, priority-setting and project implementation to solve the border region's environmental problems. The taskforces help promote awareness and education on environmental issues, and coordinate efforts with community residents, governmental agencies, universities and NGO's on both sides of the border, in both the urban and rural communities.

The Texas-New Mexico-Chihuahua Regional Workgroup is comprised of the following taskforces:

1. Joint Advisory Committee (Goal 1)
2. Border 2020 TX/NM/CHIH Water Taskforce (Goal 2)
3. Border 2020 TX/NM/CHIH Waste Taskforce (Goal 3)
4. Border 2020 TX/NM/CHIH Emergency Response Taskforce (Goal 4)
5. Compliance Assistance, Environmental Stewardship, and Cooperative Enforcement Taskforce (CAESCE) (Goal 5)
6. Border 2020 TX/NM/CHIH Environmental Education Committee (Multi-media)
7. Border 2020 TX/NM/CHIH Environmental Health Committee (Multi-media)
8. Border 2020 New Mexico-Chihuahua Rural Taskforce (Multi-media)
9. Border 2020 Texas-Chihuahua Rural Taskforce (Multi-media)



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<b>GOAL 1: REDUCE AIR POLLUTION</b>								
<b>Objective 1:</b> By 2020, reduce the number of vehicles operating in the border region that do not comply with the respective vehicle emissions standards, and reduce vehicle emissions at ports-of-entry through anti-idling and other feasible reduction measures.								
1 – 1	Promote the State of Chihuahua Vehicle Emissions Inspection Program (VEIP)compliance;  Strengthen Juarez’s VEIP as a consequence of State of Chihuahua’s VEIP Program implementation	City of Juárez Ecology (DGE) VEIP and State of Chihuahua Ecology and Urban Development Secretariat (SDUE)	10 Dollars per vehicle inspected at cost to vehicle owner	Private vehicle owner and Government Ecology Department of Ciudad Juárez	Margarita E. Pena P, City of Juarez Ecology Director and Gilberto Wenglas of State of Chihuahua Ecology Director, SDUE	200,000 vehicles to be inspected leveraging that the State of Chihuahua VEIP would strengthen compliance, improving enforcement performance by the City of Juárez on the Vehicle Emission Inspection and Maintenance Program (VEIP) program.	Ongoing program,  During 2015, the first year of a State - wide implementation 113,335 vehicles were inspected throughout State of Chihuahua, other than those inspected in Juarez.  In 2017, more than 200,000 vehicles were inspected by the Cd. Juarez VEIP.	a) Implement PROAIRE VEIMP measure prioritized by State of Chihuahua’s action plan adding border cities other than Ciudad Juárez.  b) Have all vehicles registered in the State of Chihuahua comply with the VEIP.
1 – 2	Freight Shuttle System (FSS) between Ciudad Juárez and El Paso. A privately funded and operated freight transportation system aimed to relieve a highly congested international freight corridor at existing POEs. The completely automated and controlled system at a central command,	Cook Strategies Group and Freight Shuttle International; a Director of City of El Paso Streets Departments and POEs, JAC; INDAABIN, Mexico’s SCT,	8 to 10 million per mile, estimated total of 140 to 150 million.	Privately secured by partners, investors and users	Bob Cook, Stephen Roop, Freight Shuttle	On-Going. The FSS is currently being tested at Freight Shuttle International (FSI) Test and Evaluation Center in Bryan, TX	Ongoing, once a full-scale Alpha prototype was completed in 2016.  FSS was configured to carry a 53 or 54-foot truck trailer like the ones used in cross-border settings for international trade.	The Alpha vehicle was further refined in 2017 with a Beta system that would put ready to manufacture commercial deployment.  FSI will also begin process of commercial deployment through its project development team and will initiate the permitting process required for right-

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	increases safety and security, reducing wait time at POE, improve air quality, etc.	<a href="http://www.freightshuttle.com">www.freightshuttle.com</a>						of-way access and construction. Project financing has initiated as of 2017, with intent of deploying a system starting in 2018.
1 – 3	Zaragoza POE Frontera-21 Lane. Expand the use of dedicated lanes for Trusted Trade to other US – Mexico commercial Ports of Entry (POE) to minimize or eliminate unnecessary wait times for trusted trade.	El Paso – Juárez Private Public Partnership, INDEX, Border Mayors Association; City of El Paso; DHS and Science and Technology company SecureOrigins	\$250,000	Private Sector	Bob Gray, of SecureOrigins	Integration of Supply Chain and Security at US-Mexico Commercial Ports of Entry. Approach will continue to expand to all US – Mexico Commercial Ports of Entry.	Ongoing Frontera-21 Lane is in operation since 2013 attaining an estimated wait time reduction of 30 minutes for a trusted trade freight truck. Segmentation of trusted trade concept is expanding to other ports.	Validation of cross-border commercial shipment integrity, combined with a detailed assessment of benefits to increase participation in Trusted Trade and efficient cargo processing expanding to other Border POE, among them Tijuana-San Diego and Nuevo Laredo – Laredo.
Objective 2: By 2020, reduce pollutant emissions in order to approach attainment of respective national ambient air quality standards in the following air-sheds: Paso del Norte (El Paso / Juárez / Sunland Park)								
1-4	Cd. Juarez's PROAIRE (equivalent to-SIP) Air Quality Improvement Management Program's measures included in Chihuahua's PROAIRE 2016–2025. Address's cost-effective measures that would effectively reduce air emissions.  Implement measures that apply to Ojinaga, Ascension and Janos,	Chihuahua and Cd. Juarez's government administration SEMARNAT; COESPRIS; USEPA; JAC and academic institutions; State of Chihuahua Government (SDUE)		State of Chihuahua, SDUE, SEMARNAT, and corresponding Municipal Ecology Administration	Luis Felipe Siqueiros, Gilberto Wenglas of State of Chihuahua SDUE, Ramiro Barrios C. of DGGARETC, Margarita E Pena P, Jorge Arturo Garcia, Luis Carlos Renteria,	Identify those PROAIRE measures that apply to border metropolitan air-shed to leverage on activities that are part of the JAC Strategic Plan and or those that the City of Juarez Projects are being implemented.	Ongoing. - PROAIRE measures to go through 2026.  PROAIRE publication already complete, SDUE continue presenting progress at each JAC meeting.	Start implementation of State of Chihuahua PROAIRE.  Status report and document sessions to be presented at each of 2017 -2018 JAC meetings.  Evaluate effectiveness of measures in PROAIRE, at end of each calendar year.

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	Chihuahua included in the State's PROAIRE				respectively of City of Juarez, Ojinaga and Ascension Ecology Department.			
1 – 5	Brick–kilns emissions reduction, assessment of risk of exposure by 2017.  Relocate brick-kilns in MX border cities, to an appropriate location away from populated neighborhoods, with MK2 design used for construction of new brick-kilns.	Federal, State, Municipal government administration partnering with brick makers' association and academic institutions of UACJ, and Chihuahua-SDUE	\$ 600,000	PYMES, Border 2020	Alba Yadira Corral Avitia, UACJ, Gilberto Wenglas SDUE	Risk Assessment of exposure,  City and State consent on authority and collaborative efforts on inspections, surveillance and coordinating enforcement in conjunction with City Police when required.  Similarly elaborate compliance agreement with brick making neighborhood on firing Schedule	Ongoing,  Construction of Modified Brick Kilns Design known as MK2 is now being used throughout the Country of Mexico.	Brick Kiln neighborhood relocation with substitution of traditional kiln to EBMK2 with coordination by State of Chihuahua (SDUE) and Cd. Juarez's Ecology authorities supporting applicable Land Use and Urban Planning accordingly to study findings and technical strategies presented by Juarez's Autonomous University PIs with active participation by Brick Makers' sector.
1 - 6	Influence public policy and agencies to promote holistic best-management practices on rural areas to improve urban air quality by mitigating particulate matter during high wind events.	NMDOH–OBH, NMED, SEMARNAT; Junta Municipal de Agua in Palomas Chihuahua;	Currently on a 2015, B2020 BECC Grant,			Follow up Holistic best management practices that resulted from three workshop held in Columbus, Palomas and at Ascensión - Janos including cattle	Near Completion as per B2020 Grant project commitment.  The Cattle Ranchers Association and both US and	Provide support NM-OBH's binational study, jointly with US-Mexico B2020 Air Policy Forum.  Final report, map and follow up activities will be

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		City of Las Cruces; NMSU, City of Ascension, Northern Chihuahua Cattlemen Association, Texas A&M University-Kingsville, USDA, NRCS Las Cruces office, and BLM Las Cruces office of NM State Climatologist, and NMED				ranchers as well and their outcomes on environmental variables such as air quality, wind erosion, Carbon sequestration, soil cover, and ground water levels.	Mexico's PIs within the University are continuing work focused on a holistic - best management practices on cattle ranches, to adjust actual management practices.  Strategy's best environmental variables' management practices are to be monitored at 9 cattle ranches in Ascensión, Chih. and Van Horn, TX.	placed on the project's website at: <a href="http://nmborder.nmsu.edu">http://nmborder.nmsu.edu</a> and at <a href="http://border.nmsu.edu">http://border.nmsu.edu</a>  As PIs conclude monitoring a base-line for the 9 participating ranches, it will be the start of phase 2 by continuing monitoring the environmental variables and continue the periodic coaching meetings with ranchers.
1-7	Reduction of emissions-collective transport infrastructure. - The project consists in developing a study and the final design for the collective transportation and infrastructure associated in the International Port of Entry "Paso del Norte", with the aim of	Instituto Municipal de Investigación y Planeación; BECC – EPA Grant	Total: \$105, 640 (61,220 from B2020)	Border 2020 Grant	Roberto Mora Palacios/ Nicolás López <a href="mailto:nlopez@imip.org.mx">nlopez@imip.org.mx</a> ; <a href="mailto:imip@imip.org.mx">imip@imip.org.mx</a>	Outputs: Vehicular classification, transportation survey; model of micro simulation and model of emissions in the scenarios with the project and final design. (Pending TAA and final workplan)	New – funded under FY2017 B2020 RFP	New – funded under FY2017 B2020 RFP

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	substantially reducing crossing times.							
<b>Objective 3:</b> By 2018, maintain effective air monitoring networks and provide real-time access to air quality data in: Paso del Norte Airshed; Any additional binational airshed that is designated as non-attainment for U.S. or Mexican air quality standards prior to 2015.								
1 - 8	El Paso–Juarez–Dona Ana County Air Monitoring networks.  Deploy, maintain, and operate the air quality monitoring network designed to measure, Ozone, Carbon Monoxide and Particulate Matter between 2.5 and 10 microns, as well gathering Meteorological data	JAC Air Quality Data Working Committee, USEPA; TCEQ; SEMARNAT – INECC, City of Juárez Ecology Air Quality Program, El Paso Air Quality Program, and Ciudad Juárez Ecology Department Head.	55,000 per year, line item within City of Juarez’s budget	SEMARNAT INECC, City of Juarez Ecology Department, TCEQ, JAC and EPA	Luis Felipe Siqueiros, State of Chihuahua SDUE; Victor H Paramo, INECC; Ramiro Barrios C SEMARNAT DGGCARETC, Eddie Moderow TCEQ, Margarita E Pena P, at Juarez’s Ecology, Guy Donaldson and Carlos Rincon R6 EPA - JAC	Juarez’s Air Quality Monitoring Network assessment, repairs, upgrade, and internet installment improve connection. On August 9, 2018 the participating institutions and experts had a kickoff event led by Juarez’s Mayor, after completing a training of Juarez’s Technical operators. A report is presented at every JAC meeting, by the Air Quality Technical Committee.	Ongoing. -  Discussions of JAC’s Technical AAQM committee in support of Juarez’s Air Quality Monitoring department, Mexico’s National Ecology Institute and Climate Change INECC; on a process of for submitting a comprehensive series of recommendation that include annual financial support needed.	Establish mechanism for sustainable means of financial support for consumables and continuous operation, maintenance and calibration of AQMS.  Recommend establishment of new monitoring sites in areas where data is needed to demonstrate impact to communities.
1 – 9	Improve Juarez’s Air Quality Monitoring Network and expand monitoring geographic coverage and its analytical capabilities; enhance and advance on quality of data and public notification measures. Encourage and promote	State of Chihuahua Executive Administration City of Juarez’s government; State of Chihuahua Congress; The State of	\$325,000	SEMARNAT INECC, City of Juarez Ecology Department, TCEQ, EPA,	Luis Felipe Siqueiros, State of Chihuahua SDUE; Victor H Paramo, INECC; Ramiro Barrios C. SEMARNAT DGGCARETC,	Project On-going. Taking into consideration outcome of EPA’s Intern document, the Juárez’s Ecology Department is following up on findings and have	An on-going, technical team work on establishing a sustainable mechanism that would assure continuous monitoring operation, data analysis, QA/QC and	Identify means of financial support for consumables and continuous operation, maintenance and calibration of AQMS.  Assure annual source of funding included in the 2017 budget proposal for an Air Quality Project to be

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	to the State of Chihuahua, applying for federal funding available to states (State Financing Program or Presupuesto de Egresos de la Federacion (PEF)).	Chihuahua Government, and Ciudad Juárez Ecology Department		JAC	Eddie Moderow TCEQ, Margarita E Pena P. at the Juarez ecology department	done various visits to the CAAQMN sites, During 2015 State of Chihuahua's PROAIRE a proposed network and technical capabilities will be included in the Air Quality section.	making public air quality information.	financed by local, state and federal mechanisms of source of funding.
1 – 10	Maintain operation of Rural Areas binational air quality monitoring network for consistent reporting to community of the PM <sub>10</sub> levels, as well as other priority contaminants, as established under the NMDOH-OBH funded the Binational Air Quality Assessment	EPA; NMED; NMDOH-OBH; SEMARNAT; Consortium of NNMSU-UTEP-UACJ-Desert Research Institute; Junta Municipal de Aguas in Palomas, Chihuahua; National Weather Service Santa Teresa office; NMED, NMDOH and NMSU	\$20,000Co-funding	NMED Border, with co-funding from NMDOH-OBH	NMED Michael Baca, NMDOH Freida Adams, and NMSU Dave DuBois	New effort to predict the onset of windblown dust through sensor development and dust storm weather pattern climatology for the border region.  Findings and recommendations by NM Climatologist allows for a binational AQ monitoring and information reporting to be included in the PROAIRE.	Ongoing analysis to map and monitor the sources of windblown dust in the three states.	Integrate air quality monitoring efforts, data sharing and reporting among state and local authorities and universities of NM, Northern Chihuahua and West TX.  Make data available on Internet and other appropriate public access outlets (including mass and social media) in all three states.  Assessment of climatological and meteorological phenomena; inventory & characterization of sources of Particulates during extreme weather events.
1 – 11	<u>El Paso Ceilometer:</u> Instrument to measure the cloud-base height, vital in understanding the	TCEQ, UT Center for Energy and Environmental			Dr. Dave Sullivan, UT-CEER, <a href="mailto:sullivan231@">sullivan231@</a>	Start – up. - This project will purchase, install, operate, and	Ongoing	Quality assurance documents are effective. The monitor was installed in August 2016 and is



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	development and dispersion of pollutants.	Resources (CEER)			<a href="mailto:mail.utexas.edu">mail.utexas.edu</a> Eddie Moderow, TCEQ, <a href="mailto:eddie.moderow@tceq.texas.gov">eddie.moderow@tceq.texas.gov</a>	analyze data through 08/31/2017	Operate monitor and analyze data through	collecting data. The ceilometer is located next to the radar wind profiler for data comparison.
1 – 12	<u>El Paso Radar Wind Profiler</u> : a radar wind profiler measures wind speed and direction at various elevations above ground.	TCEQ, UT Center for Energy and Environmental Resources (CEER)			Dr. Dave Sullivan, UT-CEER, <a href="mailto:sullivan231@mail.utexas.edu">sullivan231@mail.utexas.edu</a> Eddie Moderow, TCEQ, <a href="mailto:eddie.moderow@tceq.texas.gov">eddie.moderow@tceq.texas.gov</a>	Start – up trials by 09/2017, install, operate, and analyze data through	Operate monitor and analyze data through 8/31/2017	Quality assurance documents are effective. In 2015 the monitor was relocated from UTEP to the Socorro / Hueco site. The monitor is collecting data and staff are analyzing the data and comparing to the ceilometer data.
1 – 13	<u>Binational Diesel Emissions Reduction Training Program</u> : partner with binational trucking companies to develop training modules for drivers of drayage and heavy-duty diesel trucks in the El Paso-Ciudad Juárez area	TCEQ, Texas A&M Transportation Institute (TTI),			Reza Farzaneh, TTI, <a href="mailto:Reza.Farzaneh@tti.tamu.edu">Reza.Farzaneh@tti.tamu.edu</a> Eddie Moderow, TCEQ, <a href="mailto:eddie.moderow@tceq.texas.gov">eddie.moderow@tceq.texas.gov</a>	Develop a training module for drivers of drayage and heavy-duty diesel trucks in the El Paso – Ciudad Juárez area to reduce fuel consumption emissions	Ongoing, as per TTI's reference and POE back ground studies.	An initial analysis of emission reduction strategies for drayage and heavy-duty diesel trucks at Ports of Entry has been completed. TTI is developing the training materials and will begin collecting baseline drive cycle data on the drayage trucks

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1 – 14	<p><u>Binational Air Quality Monitoring</u>: collaborate with stakeholders in the Paso del Norte to improve air quality monitoring in the region. Complete necessary maintenance to the network in Ciudad Juárez</p>	<p>Ciudad Juárez Ecology, TCEQ, EPA, SEMARNAT, SEDUE, Ysleta del Sur Pueblo, City of El Paso.</p>			<p>Eddie Moderow at TCEQ, <a href="mailto:Steve.niemeyer@tceq.texas.gov">Steve.niemeyer@tceq.texas.gov</a>; <a href="mailto:eddie.moderow@tceq.texas.gov">eddie.moderow@tceq.texas.gov</a></p>	<p>Complete updates to network, maintain quality control, data collection and reporting to public.</p>	<p>Ongoing</p> <p>As per outcome from JAC's AQ Monitoring Technical Work Team committee,</p> <p>As per RWG biennial planning meeting held at YDSP on 02/14/2017</p>	<p>Funds have been identified to complete upgrades to network.</p>
1-15	<p>Air Quality and weather climatic Network UACJ.</p>	<p>Universidad Autónoma de Ciudad Juárez, Chihuahua México (UACJ)</p>	<p>Total: \$39,400 (29,400K from Border 2020 Grant)</p>	<p>Border 2020 Grant</p>	<p>Víctor Hernández Jacobo; <a href="mailto:vihernan@uacj.mx">vihernan@uacj.mx</a></p>	<p>Seek to provide access to climatic data series from 8 Paso del Norte air basin's Stations in order to improve characterization, support an alert network to report on environmental quality conditions.</p> <p>Additionally, seek to provide a real-time visualization of impacts under certain environmental and meteorological conditions, during times of waste fires, vehicular traffic and other emissions, in</p>	<p>New – funded under FY2017 B2020 RFP</p>	<p>New – funded under FY2017 B2020 RFP</p>

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						support of the Air Quality Program's management mechanisms on a permanent basis		
<b>Objective 4:</b> By 2015, support completion of, climate action plans in each of the six northern Mexican Border States (as appropriate), and build the necessary capacity for sustained implementation.								
<b>Objective 5:</b> By 2020, reduce emissions and associated impacts through energy efficiency and/or alternative/renewable energy projects.								
1 – 16	The Ysleta del Sur Pueblo (YDSP) will reduce particulate matter by improving dirt roads on the Tribal Ranch	YDSP Environmental Department	\$25,000	Tribal Funding & NRCS CSP Program	Evaristo Cruz and Barbra Valdivieso at YDSP	On-going; The Pueblo has been in contact with Terry McMillan who is a vender of this surface hardening product and will be scheduling a trip to the ranch to look into application possibility	The Ranch roads have been managed with caliche but the surface has not been treated with any soil hardening material as planned.  The pueblo has used a similar product to treat parking areas that are used to service the Speaking Rock entertainment center.	The Pueblo continue to review this project and identify funding sources.  Identify portions of YDSP - ranch that would greatly benefit from this application and look at cost for the application, aimed toward dust abatement by hardening the soil.
1 – 17	Reduce Ysleta del Sur Pueblo (YDSP) carbon footprint through energy efficient retrofits at tribal government buildings including at HVAC systems and energy efficient glass	YDSP Environment Department;	\$280,000	Tribal Matching funds & EPA Region 6 Air program	Evaristo Cruz and Barbra Valdivieso at YDSP	The administration building has installed double paned weather proof windows and LED lighting for all offices.	Completed.  EPA's energy star, YDSP manager, setup to expand portfolio at government buildings and benchmarking will begin this year.	The Pueblo is continuing to work with EPA Portfolio manager in logging energy utilization data  Retrofit administration buildings with weatherized windows to improve the energy efficiency.
1 – 18	Reduce YDSP Carbon Foot Print by converting water wells to run of solar	YDSP Environmental	\$30,000	Tribal Funding &	Evaristo Cruz and Barbra Valdivieso at	The Ranch has so far, retrofitted 5 wells with solar panels,	Ongoing. -	The Pueblo will begin benchmarking to empirically identify cost

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	panels rather than generators or local electric grid.	Department; NRCS/USDA;		USDA/NRCS EQIP program	YDSP, Santana Villa (NRCS/USDA)	improving energy saving and reducing carbon footprint.	An addition of 2 wells have been retrofitted with solar systems.	savings and energy savings.
1-19	Alternative source of energy with a solar farm and solar panels at Presidio rural community, as well at Columbus – Palomas Port of Entry facilities.	City of Presidio Economic Department and City Manager, Brad Newton and Jose Portillo, school district.				Optimum generation, distribution and use of Solar Energy farm and extend its program by installing solar panels at Public buildings within Presidio, and it's just to start Columbus – Palomas Port of Entry.	Complete. - Solar farm in operation producing energy that its transported to Marfa; City of Presidio would seek extending use of alternative source by installing solar panels at public buildings including at Schools.	Presidio inhabitants to leverage on energy generation at solar farm and extend throughout every school and other public services facilities by installing solar panels.

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<b>Goal 2: Improve Access to Clean and Safe Water</b>								
<b>Objective 1:</b> Increase the number of homes connected to safe drinking water and adequate wastewater treatment.								
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Objective 1a: By 2015, provide at least 8,500 households with access to safe drinking water. Revise target every two years.</li> <li>• Objective 1b: By 2015, provide at least 39,000 households with access to adequate wastewater sanitation. Revise target every two years.</li> </ul>								

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2 – 1	RWG adopts Water Policy Forum 2-year work plan for target #s	See Water Policy Forum work plan	See Water Policy Forum work plan	Water Policy Forum work plan	See Water Policy Forum work plans	See Water Policy Forum work plan	See Water Policy Forum work plan	See Water Policy Forum work plan
2-2	JMAS Projects:	JMAS, NADB, State of Chihuahua	\$25 Million USD	JMAS	Ernesto Moreno or Manuel Herrera, of JMAS	<p>Repair / replace sewers drains or collectors</p> <p>Construct drinking water plant at 30km</p> <p>Program to install water meters</p> <p>Start a team for repairing wells and pumps</p> <p>Cogeneration plant will go online to help produce 20-40% of the energy needs of the South Juárez Plant</p>	Just initiating with 2017 funds.	<p><b>Continue to implement Implementation of Juárez Water Master Plan 2012-2030 &amp; Meet landmark of 100% treatment of waste water.</b> Implementation of plan includes finding new avenues of energy such as photovoltaic/solar for the South-South plant, new water sources, reduce water per capita consumption. Develop the concept of tertiary treatment for reinjection into the aquifer, and set baseline indicators for a water plant, which was postponed temporarily. South-South treatment plant will be expanded to serve new regions of the city. Agricultural farmers continue to use treated wastewater for fields</p> <p><b>Drought Conditions.</b> When drought conditions and water shortage persist, emergency</p>

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								actions will include stopping water service during some nights and eventually programmed allowed to save water and have fewer incidents of "no water" at home water intake due to severe drought and technical problems.
2 – 3	<p><u>Title XVI Water Reclamation and Reuse Awards:</u> Construction of EPWU Wastewater Diversion from Haskell Street Wastewater Plant to Fred Hervey Water Reclamation Plant (aka Fred Hervey Purple Pipe Project)</p> <p>EPWU Research Study for Feasibility of Water Recovery from Filter Backwashing and Rewashing Operation</p>	<p>El Paso Water Utilities and Bureau of Reclamation</p> <p>El Paso Water Utilities and Bureau of Reclamation</p>	<p>\$1.2M</p> <p>Federal \$10,600 / non-federal \$33,143</p>	<p>Federal</p> <p>Federal /non-federal</p>	<p>Woody Irving or Yvette McKenna</p> <p>Woody Irving or Yvette McKenna</p>	<p>Final design/Engineer selection</p> <p>Start-up/Testing</p>	<p>Open (awarded)</p> <p>Open (awarded) Complete by Oct 31, 2017</p>	<p>Complete by Dec 31, 2018</p>
2-4	El Paso Water Utilities Projects (EPWU)	EPWU	Varies per task	Various (IMP, WSRC IMP, Impact Fee, CP, Grant,	Mr. Hector Gonzalez, EPWU	EPWU is in process of identifying design funds so that treated effluent to drinking water standards at the Bustamante Plant can be used as a	Continuing efforts that started in 2016.	To meet the demands of growth both inside and outside the city, several projects are included in the FY 2017-2018 capital budget. One of these is the continued acquisition of land for water

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				Bonds, CIA)		<p>source of drinking water in the future</p> <p><b>Water system improvements:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- \$15.6 million to construct three new elevated storage tanks and one ground reservoir, and structural improvements to one ground reservoir</li> <li>- \$7.3 million for new distribution water lines and pumping equipment, and \$20.5 million in rehabilitation of existing water infrastructure</li> <li>- \$5.3 million for water plants upgrades and emergencies</li> </ul> <p><b>Wastewater Improvement:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-\$5.1 million in new collection systems and pumping facilities</li> </ul>		<p>importation project with projected expenses of \$107.0 million and new SWIFT funding of \$50.0 million.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Complete the construction of four reservoirs in the northeast, central and eastside of El Paso. These tanks will be built over two years at an estimated cost of \$26.0 million of which \$6.5 million will be spent during FY 2017-2018.</li> <li>- A drought-proof supply. An advanced purified water plant will be designed to produce drinking water.</li> <li>- The Utility budgeted in FY 2017-2018 \$3.0 million for the preliminary thirty percent design with the goal of treating 10 MGD in the near future for an estimated construction cost of \$129 million.</li> </ul>

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						<p>- \$22.0 million in rehabilitation of existing wastewater infrastructure</p> <p>-\$2.4 million in reclaimed water facilities improvements</p>		<p>- The Utility included \$7.1 million to provide emergency back-up power to major water facilities. This will be the sixth year of this multi-year \$35 million project.</p> <p>- The capital budget also includes \$35.5 million for wastewater rehabilitation projects which includes \$14.2 million for improvements of wastewater treatment plants.</p> <p>- In addition, the budget includes \$3.2 million for the design of the relocation of water operations, dispatch, central control and customer service. This project was accelerated with the request from the City to relocate the Rescue Mission to our fleet maintenance location.</p> <p>- The Utility maintains the level of system rehabilitation and replacement, and compliance with</p>



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								<p>existing and new federal and state regulatory mandates.</p> <p>For additional information on specific items:  <a href="http://www.epwu.org/public_information/reports/2017/Budget/PART7-CAPITAL%20IMPROVEMENT%2071-110.pdf">http://www.epwu.org/public_information/reports/2017/Budget/PART7-CAPITAL%20IMPROVEMENT%2071-110.pdf</a></p>
<p><b>Objective 2:</b> Help drinking water and wastewater service providers in the border region to implement sustainable infrastructure practices to reduce operating costs, improve energy efficiency, use water efficiently and adapt to climate change.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Objective 2a: Incorporate sustainable infrastructure elements, as feasible and appropriate, in U.S.-Mexico Border Water Infrastructure Program BECC certified projects.</li> <li>• Objective 2b: Improve energy efficiency and efficient water use of drinking water and wastewater service providers in the border region.</li> <li>• Objective 2c: Build operational, managerial and financial capacity through training of drinking water and wastewater service providers in the border region</li> </ul>								
2-5	<p><u>Water and Energy Efficiency Grants:</u>            EPWU WEEG for Potable Water and Energy Conservation and Savings from Secondary Membrane Treatment of Reverse Osmosis Concentrate (via installation of CERRO units at existing wellheads)</p> <p>EBID Rincon Water Habitat Energy Nexus (WHEN) Grant for irrigation energy and efficiency</p>	<p>El Paso Water Utilities and Bureau of Reclamation</p> <p>Elephant Butte Irrigation District and Bureau of Reclamation</p>	<p>\$300K, 23% of cost share</p> <p>\$809K, 41% of cost share</p>	<p>Federal /non-federal</p> <p>Federal /non-federal</p>	<p>Woody Irving or Yvette McKenna</p> <p>Woody Irving or Yvette McKenna</p>	<p>In design</p> <p>In design</p>	<p>Open (awarded)</p> <p>Open (awarded)</p>	<p>Complete by Sept 30, 2018</p> <p>Complete by Sept 10, 2018</p>

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2 – 6	EPWU Projects	EPWU	Varies per task	Various (IMP, WSRC, IMP, Impact Fee, CP, Grant, Bonds, CIA)	Mr. Hector Gonzalez, EPWU	- El Paso Water Utilities (EPWU) is currently doing a feasibility study to look into expansion of the desalination plant - EPWU and EWM are in the process of setting up an agreement such EWM would buy the salt produced by the plant, process it and then sell back any recovered water for EPWU for reuse	Ongoing.	FY2018, TBD from FY2017 actions.
2-7	Project development for introduction of drinking water to Presidio's growing service underserved community at Las Pampas Colonia,	City of Presidio Water Utilities, Public works department and City Manager	TBD	NADB and TWDB,	Brad Newton, Jose Portillo	Project development, cost analysis feasibility and promotion to potential source of funding	Move forward on project development details and put together for procurement of financial sources	Attain grant for construction.
2-8	Sewer water collection and underground pipe system rehabilitation to control and reduce leakage to protect groundwater and public health	Ojinaga Water Utilities (JMAS) and State of Chihuahua Water Board (JCAS), NADB	TBD	NADB, CONAG UA	Edwin Maldonado, J.T Obrien,	Project feasibility study and promotion up to BECC – NADBank as potential sources of funding	Development of Construction Engineering and Technical plan	Develop construction schedule and start rehabilitation construction subjected to attaining funding.
2-9	Rehabilitation of Water well with new pump equipment to the 5 <sup>th</sup> Drinking Water well system in Ojinaga	Ojinaga JMAS, Chihuahua JCAS,	\$20,000.00	JCAS and JMAS, CONAG UA	Bisyabel Niño	Project Cost Feasibility submission to Boards at JCAS,	Submit upon State Drinking Water and Sewer board (JCAS) engineering, financial feasibility	Rehab a 5 <sup>th</sup> well out of the 5 well-networks at Ojinaga, Chihuahua

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2-10	Reestablish operation of 2 lift station pumps and bring back to its operational capacity the sewer system network	Ojinaga JMAS, Chihuahua JCAS department	\$50,000.00	JCAS and JMAS	Bisyabel Niño	Document Pump Info characteristic and financial institutions required information to proceed with loan / grant application	Open and have ready an official financial documentation for submitting a loan / grant application	Maintain at optimum operation capacity the lift sewer network as per system design (90 liters per second)
2-11	Safe drinking water for US / Mexico border Colonias, Provide education on water quality and on low cost alternatives to treat drinking water to colonia residents in Ciudad (Cd.) Juárez and El Paso that do not have access to a safe public drinking water system.	UTEP; NADB-EPA B2020 Grant	120,668 of which 79,636 from B2020 Grant	Border 2020 Grant (Leveraged with and by UTEP)	Ivonne Santiago (isantiago@utep.edu)	Outputs: They expect to engage at least 300 colonia residents in practical, technical opportunities for improving the quality of water they drink and increasing their knowledge in water quality issues.  1) Conduct a focus group in a colonia in Cd. Juárez.  2) Perform two seminars / workshops in Colonias: one in Cd. Juárez and one in El Paso on drinking water quality and POU's.  3) Collect a minimum of six water samples from storage containers: three colonias in Cd. Juárez	New – funded under FY2017 B2020 RFP	New – funded under FY2017 B2020 RFP

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						<p>and three Colonias El Paso and analyze for bacterial and heavy metal contamination.</p> <p>4) Provide POU systems to 5 -10 families on both sides of the border. Training on the appropriate use and maintenance of the selected POU will be provided.</p>		
2-12	Green infrastructure in the Paso del Norte Region:	Municipio de Juarez; NADB-EPA B2020	\$46,500 of which \$31,000 are from B2020	B2020 Funded	Veronica Gonzalez, Resilience Department at City of Juarez	Green infrastructure in the Paso del Norte Region: seminar, implementation guide: Training seminar-workshop for binational actors of the three orders of government, civil associations, undergraduate and graduate students and decision-makers involved with the issue of rainwater harvesting. And creation of a document Guide to Implementing Green Infrastructure in the	New – funded FY2017 B2020 RFP	New – funded FY2017 B2020 RFP

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						Paso del Norte Region.		
<b>Objective 3:</b> Work binationally to identify and reduce surface water contamination in transboundary waterbodies or watersheds.								
2-13	Water conservation with control of salt cedar's evapotranspiration at Rio Grande / Bravo waterways	IBWC, CILA, CONAGUA, Bureau of Reclamation	TBD	IBWC – CILA, DOI and SEMAR NAT	Jose Nunez, Antonio Rascon,	Consent on integrated method of control, including Chemical Biological and Physical removal	Include portion of the river within DOIs and IBWC's program schedule, supporting schedule, by promoting project upon US – Mexico Water Policy Fora and water conservation institution	Removal of salt cedar and development of control of the non-indigenous tree species
2-14	<u>Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act:</u>  TX A&M for Planning and Implementation of Environmental Enhancements w/Paso del Norte Watershed Council	TX A&M AgriLife Research, New Mexico State University, Paso del Norte Watershed Council and Bureau of Reclamation	\$70K	Federal	Woody Irving or Yvette McKenna	Website improvements	Open (awarded)	Complete by December 2017

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<b>Goal 3: Promote Materials and Waste Management and Clean Sites</b>								
<b>Objective 1: By 2020, increase local and state-level knowledge and experience in the area of sustainable material management practices.</b>								
3 – 1	Development of Regional Integrated, solid waste management including permanent used tire management program.	State of Chihuahua Administration , as well by the Municipalities	Market shall define the true value; per used tire disposal that	Consumer and private sector	Luis Felipe Siqueiros, SDUE, Gilberto Wenglass, SDUE Ecology	Collection of 100% of used tires to be recycled and rest at final disposal projects.	Accomplished and has been included in 5 goals and 3 thematic actions of used tire.	State of Chihuahua legislative approved guidelines, waiting Executive action.

	Establishment of guidelines for a market based permanent and systematic used tire management program that would incentivize private sector partnership.	of Cd. Juárez, of Ascension, Ojinaga, and of Janos; Cement Group (Grupo Cementos de Chihuahua – GCC), joined by private sector's commerce and economic corporate associations.	currently is collected to the consumer \$2.00  In Ojinaga, like in many other rural communities, there is a legacy of more than 50,000 tires that would need \$15,000 to dispose of to a Cement Kilns.	investors	Director, Jorge A. Rodriguez A and Luis Carlos Renteria, respectively at City of Ojinaga and Ascensión Municipality Ecology and Public Service department, and GCC.		Collection of 100% and disposal of used tire in Juárez legacy tire pile, disposed of by various projects.  Collection of used tires at and disposal of 25,000 of the Ojinaga legacy, and disposal of the Ascensión used tires.	As a demonstration the Executive branch of government might want to contribute and be a team member of the Used Tire Workshop's workgroups that address legislative, market-based initiatives envisioned to allow in promoting financing trust  Move forward by implementing a business-driven project by private sector leveraging by executing actions supported by the 5 Goals and workgroups that came out of the March 2014 Used Tire workshop held in El Paso, TX
3 – 2	Establishment of collection center for household hazardous and toxic waste in Ciudad Juárez's municipality. - Project include installment of a collection center in the municipality of Ciudad Juárez with the principle of shared responsibility for properly disposing toxic and hazardous waste generated at households including electronic waste.  Establishment of collection center for household	Chihuahua government administration Municipalities of Ciudad Juárez, SEMARNAT, PROFEPA	A private – public partnership agreement;  Matching fund by City Public Services		Raul Rodriguez City of Juárez's Departments of Public Service, Margarita E Pena P. City of Juarez Director of Ecology, Gilberto Wenglass, at State of Chihuahua SDUE - Ecology Director, Gerardo Tarin at SEMARNAT	Accomplished Installment-operation of a collection center in the municipality of C. Juárez with the principles of shared - responsibility for properly disposing toxic and hazardous waste generated at households including e-waste, assuring consensus on an agreement with the State of Chihuahua, & Federal administration.	Completed. - Collection Center for E-waste, Solid waste, and used tires accomplished.  A report by REMEXMAR, has identified the amount of solid and household hazardous waste streams in Ascensión and Janos.	Because there still the discussion of Household Hazard Waste and Toxic waste to be integrated in Juárez's Waste Management Plan;  There is a need of a coordinated action for establishing a collection centers program, which could be reached between Ciudad Juárez's Solid Waste Department and the Civil Protection at each of the 10 Fire Stations within Juárez.

	<p>hazardous and toxic waste in Rural border municipality</p> <p>Project includes installment of a collection center in the municipality of Ascensión and Janos</p>	<p>Chihuahua government administration Municipalities of Ascensión and Janos, SEMARNAT REMEXMAR, PROFEPA</p>			<p>and Lili Gonzalez at PROFEPA</p> <p>Director General of Ascensión Public Service and Ecology, State of Chihuahua- Ecology Director at SDUE SEMARNAT, Pilar Leal of REMEXMAR, PROFEPA</p>	<p>Identify current amount of solid and household hazardous waste streams in Ascensión and Janos' operations in order to develop an integrated plan to properly separate, classify and manage waste. Carryout Workshop on integrated waste management.</p>	<p>A final report to be presented by September 2014.</p>	<p>Develop an integrated plan to properly separate, classify and manage for both communities (Janos and Ascensión); including supporting them with Workshop on the integrated waste management plan.</p>
3 – 3	<p>Electronic waste collection fairs by carrying out a series of annual public events organized by social organization to the community at large, sponsored by private sector entrepreneurial initiatives jointly with authorized companies that handle and manage electronic waste.</p>	<p>Chihuahua government administration Municipalities of Ciudad Juárez, SEMARNAT, REMEXMAR, coordinated by social organizations, at Ojinaga and at Rural Communities of Janos and Ascensión.</p>	<p>In Kind by Public – Private Partnership and Matching fund by City administration</p>	<p>Private</p>	<p>Gilberto Wenglas, State of Chihuahua- Ecology Director at SDUE; Gerardo Tarin, at SEMARNAT</p>	<p>In 2013, in Ciudad Juárez there were 150 tons of electronic waste collected. Such efforts have not passed unnoticed and the collection events efforts are now also taking place at U.S. border cities starting in El Paso, TX.</p>	<p>Annual collection events every September collecting at least 150 tons of E-waste.</p> <p>Partially expanded to El Paso during the tire amnesty days.</p>	<p>E-waste Collection events are scheduled to occur yearly.</p> <p>Also, there are plans for a formal US side of E-waste annual events, starting in El Paso.</p>

3 – 4	Promote to State legislative branch updating the Waste Bill to the State of Chihuahua that would mandate attributes and instructs the executive branch in writing its rules (REGLAMENTO) for establishing mechanism for financial actions that would create and strengthen institutional capabilities at State and Local levels for overseeing compliance and enforcing waste management that impact and threatens public health, the environment and ecosystem.	State of Chihuahua, legislative and executive branch, Municipalities' administrative and council bodies.	No cost anticipated	Legislative and Executive Office of State of Chihuahua	Luis Felipe Siqueiros, State of Chihuahua SDUE, Carlos Rincon, USEPA and U.S. and Mexico Rubber Association,	A legislative bill proposal that would allow matching federal funds from Ramo 16, Federal Appropriation line item to finance annually actions from collection fees possible at each of the three states of the region.	Ongoing.-  A legislation billed passed and also addresses the creation of a Trust fund.  The bill mandates and gives attributes by instructing the executive branch to write its rules for establishing economic incentives and mechanisms for private-public management of waste that threatens and impacts the ecosystem, environment and public health.	Establishment of legal statute to support trust. As a demonstration the Executive branch of government might want to contribute and be a team member of the Used Tire Workshop's workgroups that address legislative, market-based initiatives envisioned to allow in promoting financing trust.
3 -5	Municipal landfill sanitation site for solid-waste final disposal for the Ojinaga, Chihuahua Municipality and closure of existing solid -waste landfill	Ojinaga Government Administration jointly with State of Chihuahua SDUE, with technical and resource support by BECC	To be Determined	Ojinaga Government – SDUE and BECC	Mayor of Ojinaga and the State of Ecology Director at Chihuahua SDUE	Started process for closing existing landfill and acquisition of new Landfill land	Continue. -  A Project team including the Mayor's office, the Public Works Department Head and a Senior staff person from SDUE have contacted the Office of SEMARNAT to	Attain closure paperwork for existing landfill, submit project proposal to BECC for new landfill.



							process closure of existing	
<b>Objective 2:</b> By 2014, identify priority waste streams and by 2020 develop sustainable material management practices that strengthen their respective market value.								
3 - 7	Incorporated Solid Waste Technology into Solid Waste Management Plan for Cd Juárez, such as Solid Recovered Fuel (FROE for its Spanish) Technology Use of non – recyclable solid waste (Refuse Derived Fuel RFD) as alternate fuel by means of applying segregation, mixture and shredding technology of industrial non – hazardous waste.	Northern Chihuahua Cement Companies (known as Grupo Cementos de Chihuahua or GCC)	To be shared by Project Pls	Private (GCC) and Federal Government through its National Council for Science and Technology (CONACYT)	GCC Grupo Cementos de Chihuahua,	In 2014 it was carried out Project design, and project proposal by the GCC Company's was submitted for Corporate support and to move it forward to the Federal Government CONACYT	Ongoing	Reach 10 % of Coal substitution by RDF technology using mainly: industrial waste like hard and soft plastic, paper, cardboard, textile and wood materials
3-8	Development of Executive Plan for Source separation of domestic waste for waste materials recovery in Cd Juárez	Juarez's Public Services, the Ecology, the Civil Protection departments teaming up with the State of Chihuahua SDUE and the B2020 Goal 3 Taskforce	To be determined	In Kind by City Public Services	Juárez Director General for Public Services, State of Chihuahua- Ecology Director at SDUE, GCC (FROEE Project)	Update existing or create ordinances and regulations for Public Works and Ecology;  Coordination of an outreach and education program, apply for BECC certification, request a loan from NADBank.	Ongoing. -  Attain an Executive Plan for waste separation passed thru by City Council	Waste Management Plan's regulation to be presented to Juarez's City Council and eventually establish the formerly integrated program into a Municipal Waste Management Plan
<b>Objective 3:</b> By 2020, improve knowledge at every level of government (federal, state, local) to characterize and remediate contaminated sites.								
<b>Objective 4:</b> On an annual basis, implement the binational Consultative Mechanism on sharing information on border area hazardous waste facilities.								
3 – 10	Improve updates of the binational Consultative Mechanism every two						Ongoing. - Consultative Mechanism	Update Consultative Mechanism in 2017

	years sharing information on border area hazardous waste facilities.						updated June of 2014  Agenda item for discussion on 2014 Waste Taskforce Public Meeting.	
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<b>Goal 4: Enhance Joint Preparedness for Environmental Response</b>								
<b>Objective 1:</b> Update, as necessary, the current Mexico-U.S. Joint Contingency Plan and, on an annual basis, continue to evaluate and update the emergency notification mechanism between Mexico and the United States.								
4 – 1	Update of Sister-City Plan Contacts	Emergency Response Task Force in El Paso/Cd Juárez/Sunland Park/Ysleta del Sur; Junta de los Rios; NM-Chih Task Force	No Cost	No Costs	Emergency Response Task Force in El Paso/Cd Juárez/Sunland Park/Ysleta del Sur; Junta de los Rios; NM-Chih Task Force	Updated contact lists of sister city plans: - El Paso/Cuidad Juárez/Sunland Park/ Ysleta del Sur Pueblo - Columbus – Palomas/ Ascensión; Presidio - Ojinaga	Ongoing	Updated at a minimum annually during 2017—2018 in all three sister cities in the regional workgroup  Focus: Presidio, TX – Ojinaga, Chihuahua
4 – 2	Bi-National Exercises (Test notification of sister-city plans, tabletop or full-scale exercise)	Regional Emergency Response				a) PROFEPA Bi-National Exercise b) Test sister-city plan notification between El Paso, TX/Ciudad Juárez, Chih/Sunland Park, NM	Ongoing. - thru the Year 2020	a) PROFEPA binational exercises for 2017-2018; additional training for sister-cities b) Continue to test sister-city plan notification between El Paso, TX/Ciudad Juárez, Chih/Sunland Park, NM

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4 – 3	Compliance Visit to Tier II Facilities in Dona Ana County, New Mexico	Dona Ana County Emergency Management	In-house	Dona Ana County Emergency Management	David Almaguer (Dona Ana County Emergency Management)	Site visits to Tier II Facilities began Aug. 2013 and is completed. Will continue to work with facilities to do an annual inspection after March reporting period. To ensure compliance with Tier II Reporting and 704 Compliance Program	Ongoing	Site visits will continue through 2017-2018, in order to ensure compliance with Tier II Reporting and 704 Compliance Program
4 – 4	Build capacity, specifically binational training in emergency preparedness for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- El Paso/Cuidad Juárez/Sunland Park/Ysleta del Sur Pueblo</li> <li>- Columbus-Palomas/Ascensión and Presidio - Ojinaga</li> </ul>	Emergency Response Taskforce in El Paso/Cd Juárez/Sunland Park/Ysleta del Sur; Junta de los Rios; NM-Chih Taskforce	TBD	TBD – possibly Border 2020 Funds	Emergency Response Taskforce in El Paso/Cd Juárez/Sunland Park/Ysleta del Sur; Junta de los Rios; NM-Chih Taskforce)	Ciudad Juárez Civil Protection built capacity with Praxedis G. Guerrero to build up fire and medical services. Will do same with Guadalupe and Villa Ahumada municipality.	Ongoing	Trainings to include FEMA courses, 40-Hr Hazwoper; Radiation, etc.
<b>Objective 3:</b> By 2016, the U.S.-Mexico JRT will make available technical outreach and training materials for distribution and dissemination along the border. <b>(NOT APPLICABLE AT REGIONAL WORKGROUP LEVEL)</b>								
<b>Goal 5: Enhance Compliance Assurance and Environmental Stewardship</b>								
Objective 1: By 2020, strengthen effective information sharing between U.S. and Mexican agencies regarding the movement of hazardous waste across the border and its ultimate treatment or disposal. In addition, ensure that land ports-of-entry have sufficient inspection capacity to police hazardous waste shipments.								
5 – 1	Cross-border Surveillance and coordination of movement of hazardous materials, while strengthening plant protection sanitary	Mexico's Customs and US DHS Border Protection agency, PROFEPA - SEMARNAT,	NA	NA	Lilia Gonzalez of PROFEPA, USEPA Carlos Rincon, Gerardo Tarin SEMARNAT,	Inspections to cross border movement of hazardous materials, and exchange of specific cases that need enforcement of environmental rules	Continue. - There are quarterly meetings between federal, state agencies such as CDC, EPA and	Continue with Trade – Commerce enforcement agencies inspections and revisions to cross border movement of hazardous materials;

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	inspections, enforcement and compliance.	USEPA, TCEQ, NMBA, NMED, HHS, US Fish and Wildlife, Mexico's phytosanitary agency SENASICA			Patricia Avitia, DHS-CBP	for cross border movement of hazardous waste at authorized POE, guaranteeing heaving appropriate infrastructure for executing specific inspections and define an ecological corridor for trucks heading to and away from POE.	corresponding State of CHIH, TX and NM to strengthen compliance and enforcement of environmental, trade rules and phytosanitary laws that would expedite commerce and movement of goods.	Coordinate at 1 binational event of chemical emergency response, Expand the PROFEPA-CUSTOMS Joint preparedness operative, to a binational Environmental – Customs and Emergency Response and Preparedness action.
5 – 2	Legislative Bill for establishing economic incentives for manufacturing, corporation, companies and industry that would incentivize them to incorporate at Mexico's and at US where appropriate with existing rules and regulations, to the Audits National Program (PNAA)	Private sector organization, association, affiliation (AMAC, CANACINTRA, CANACO,) Legislative branch, USEPA, BECC, CEC, US Trade – Commerce	TBD	TBD	Lilia Gonzalez of PROFEPA	<p>-Promulgate upon PROFEPA HQ sharing find funds collected as local economic incentive mechanisms for the private sector to participate in Mexico's PNAA.</p> <p>- Motivate US base corporations with factories in Mexico to incorporate their border facilities into the PNAA.</p>	<p>On-going.</p> <p>- Federal Legislative for economic incentive in place both in Mexico or US; still do not have rules that would motivate cross – border self – voluntary audits which exists as National Audit Program in Mexico.</p> <p>- Continue with promotion for Industry to attain PROFEPA's National Certification.</p>	<p>Expand the number of maquiladoras, factories &amp; business incorporated to the self-audit system.</p> <p>Extend to its Mexican facilities those US companies that enroll on their US based factories in the E3 program for Pollution Prevention while strengthening its Economic Performance through compliance of Environmental and Energy regulations.</p>

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5 – 3	<p>Assessment of used Vehicle Emission Import Program's compliance with emission regulations in Mexico.</p> <p>Implement used vehicle importation regulation currently in place in Mexico's federal register recognizing the validity of decals issued from United States and Canada programs where the vehicle is registered and operated by its title owner.</p>	Mexico's Custom Agency; SEMARNAT-PROFEPA; Custom brokers; City of Juárez VEIP; State of Chihuahua Ecology and Urban Development Secretariat (SDUE)	10 Dollars per vehicle inspected at cost to vehicle owner	Private vehicle owner and Government Ecology Department of Ciudad Juárez	Ramiro Barrios, SEMARNAT's Office for Atmosphere, Emissions Registry and Transport, and a colleague to be appointed from the office of SEMARNAT Assistant Secretary for Norms and Regulations.	<p>Delegate authority to State of Chihuahua and Ciudad Juárez's Vehicle Emissions Inspection Program (VEIP), by Mexico's PROFEPA – SEMARNAT's, so that the City of Juárez VEIP would carry out the emissions test at the moment of used vehicle importation.</p> <p>Have a mechanism on hand for an efficient and effective sharing of information between SEMARNAT and SAT</p>	<p>Completed. - Federal Government accomplished publishing the Federal Rule, regulation, guideline and importation procedure that currently all used vehicles being imported to Mexico must follow</p> <p>Mexico's Customs'-SAT gathers data information of vehicles imported daily by port of entry.</p>	MOU between administration of the State of Chihuahua and Juárez's Ecology Program with Mexico's PROFEPA – SEMARNAT's, in order for the City of Juárez Vehicle Emissions Inspection Program to carry out the emissions test at the moment of a used vehicle's importation.
<p><b>Objective 2:</b> By 2020, in Mexico, increase by 25 percent the number of businesses in the border region enrolled in the National Program for Environmental Auditing (PNAA) and/or similar programs at the state level for facilities not regulated by the federal government, using 2012 as a baseline.</p>								
<p><b>Objective 3:</b> Using the U.S. Toxic Release Inventory (TRI) and the Mexican Registry of Emissions and Transfers of Pollutants (RETC), along with other sources of environmental information, share information regarding activities contributing pollution to transboundary air and/or water basins along the border.</p>								
5 – 4	Release each year a TRI Factsheet developed for Region 6 Border area.	EPA Staff	NA	NA	USEPA El Paso Border Office	TRI Factsheet distributed at Regional and Taskforce meetings and other appropriate stakeholder meetings	Ongoing systematic making of TX and NM Fact Sheet and have made important headways for including Chihuahua and other Mexican	TRI Factsheet distributed at Regional and Taskforce meetings and other appropriate stakeholder meetings; and finally creating a US–Mexico border-wide binational TRI factsheets.

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							states that borders with TX.	
5 – 5	Information sharing / exchange mechanism for determining what are the major contributors to atmospheric/water contaminants that would direct actions within the US-Mexico Environmental program focusing on opportunities for pollution prevention controls.	SEMARNAT, SDUE, PROFEPA, USEPA, IBWC/CILA, CONAGUA, Municipal surveillance Department.	NA	NA	Lilia Gonzalez of PROFEPA, Gerardo Tarin of SEMARNAT, The Ecology Director of SDUE, Manuel Herrera of JMAS.	Number of specific actions	Exchange and learn from Successful cases.	Review SEMARNAT's and State of Chihuahua Urban Development-Ecology Secretary's data-base output of the facilities' annual reports of operations, along with the regions' emissions inventory, the documentation at the facilities production permits, and or midyear factory report and environmental impact reports. Similarly based on information coming out from PROFEPA and other Government Levels inspections and site visits
<b>Objective 4:</b> By 2020, implement at least five (5) binational workshops targeted to environmental enforcement professionals, including port-of-entry customs professionals, to promote the exchange of information and improve understanding of each country's respective compliance and enforcement programs and tools, including field inspection and case development practices.								
5 – 6	Coordination of a one stop process window for an electronic commerce / trade movement of hazardous materials, special management – handling of waste and used tires (once there is assurance of importing scrap – used tires to Mexico).	Mexican Custom, SEMARNAT, SDUE and Municipal Departments	NA	NA	Lilia Gonzalez of PROFEPA and Gerardo Tarin of SEMARNAT	Fully operational one stop window, getting the support and commitment for its promotion by US State Department and Mexico's Ministry of Foreign Affairs, (SD and SER,) to include language into the	Completed. - Strengthen environmental enforcement mechanisms by establishing a one–stop submittal of electronic manifest of movement of goods that are	Continue offering update workshops for training on the one stop electronic mechanisms to Customs Personnel, Brokers Custom Agencies, on functioning and procedures.

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						Annex III of the 1983 La Paz Agreement.	characterized as hazardous, those of special handling and used tires once their authorization issuance for importation in accordance and harmonization with practices currently in place by the US government party.	
5-7	Training of Federal Agency Personnel, Custom Broker Agents, Freight Company staff and others that get involve in cross border movement of hazardous materials.	PROFEPA, SEMARNAT, Customs, Secretariat of Transportation Highways and Communication, NMED, USEPA, TCEQ, USDOT.	NA	NA	Lilia Gonzalez of PROFEPA and Gerardo Tarin of SEMARNAT.	Performance by trained personnel on improved capabilities through a yearly workshop.  Specify feasible number of trained personnel and measurement of performance.	Ongoing. -  joint team interaction for exchanging data information has been foreseen	Structure an outline for training of Trade – Commerce – Environmental and Safety agencies for improving compliance on cross border movement of hazardous materials and waste.

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<b>ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH and EDUCATION</b>								
<b>E-1</b>	<p>Paso del Norte Region – Adaptation and Mitigation:</p> <p>Project is framed under the National Oceanic Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) pilot project, for the development of a comprehensive information system on heat and health.</p> <p>Under regional cooperation, the project aims to generate tools with the goal of reducing disease, death and loss of productivity associated with heat stress.</p> <p>Planning and Management Phase: Present project to City Council, plan project working sessions.</p> <p>Operational Phase: Donate to schools of basic education drinking water fountains and air conditioning equipment</p>	<p>Juárez Resilience, Gobierno municipal (Dirección de Protección Civil, Community Centers Public Works, IMIP, UACJ, UTEP, COLEF, FEMAP, CMIC, SEMARNAT</p>	<p>Planning and Management Phase: \$1000.00 US Dollars</p> <p>Operation Phase: \$10,000.00 US Dollars</p>	<p>Planning and Management Phase: 100RC</p> <p>Operational Phase: not identified</p>	<p>Ciudad Juárez Office of Resiliency</p> <p><a href="mailto:Juarezresiliente@gmail.com">Juarezresiliente@gmail.com</a></p> <p>Telephone: 613-6520 ext. 131</p>	<p>Consolidate an adaptation and mitigation strategy for the City of Juárez, which not only contributes to reducing the negatives effects of extreme heat, but also directly affects urban resilience and the transformation of actions and practices.</p>	<p>Management and planning Phase.</p> <p>Third session planned for March 24, 2017</p>	2018 TBD
<b>E-2</b>	<p>Binational Conference on Health and Heat:</p> <p>The project arises from the need to generate related knowledge on the topic</p>	<p>Ciudad Juárez Office of Resiliency, Border 2020 Program, UTEP, TCEQ</p>	<p>\$2000.00 US Dollars</p>	<p>Unidentified</p>	<p>Ciudad Juárez Office of Resiliency</p>	<p>Define specific prevention and research actions that can be translated into recommendations for the creation of a</p>	<p>Complete</p>	FY2018 TBD



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	<p>of health and heat, due to the increase in the mortality rate in the last 10 years worldwide.</p> <p>The purpose of the Conference is to meet in the framework of environmental education, health sector stakeholders for dialogue and raise awareness of the importance of the extreme heat and prevention efforts as determining factors to prevent illnesses and deaths in the region.</p> <p>Management planning, phase: Logistic organization outline, material, place definition, date and time.</p> <p>Operational phase:</p>				<a href="mailto:Juarezresiliente@gmail.com">Juarezresiliente@gmail.com</a>	<p>Medical Contingency Plan, which in the future can train and raise awareness among health sector stakeholders on the subject of extreme heat.</p>		
E-3	<p>Disseminate laws/regulations and promote their revision in order to adapt them to the region's own sustainability and resilience.</p>	<p>Border 2020 Taskforces/ local governments, private industry, academia, associations, coalitions, etc.</p>	<p>No Cost</p>	<p>Support in kind by the co-leaders and collaborators</p>	<p>Co-leaders of GTEAS y Border 2020 Taskforces</p>	<p>Create comprehensive and bi-national working groups to summarize existing laws/regulations and propose actions to promote laws/regulations with focus on sustainability and resilience in the region.</p>	<p>Quarterly meetings in 2018 with interested stakeholders</p>	<p>Quarterly meetings in 2018 with interested stakeholders</p>

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E-4	RESET 17: Innovation for the future: The project proposes to carry out a bi-national event (RESET) for 4,000 young people that focuses on educating and inspiring young people in the region to find solutions to alleviate environmental, social and economic problems in both countries.	Fundación AXCEL A.C. & NADB-EPA Border 2020 Grant	Total: \$97,222.22 (B2020 grant was \$29,444.44)	Border 2020 Grant	Nancy Estrada ( <a href="mailto:nancy@funax.org">nancy@funax.org</a> )	Outputs: 1. Binational Conference to provide environmental awareness to 1000 young assistants from El Paso and Juarez, 2) Two proposed solutions will be followed-up at 3 and 6 months which includes prototype development to respond to 2 environmental issues.	New – Funded B2020 2017 RFP	New – Funded B2020 2017 RFP
E-5	Chihuahuas' desert water education for human health and the environment: Implementation of water/quality resource education to area high schools to protect human health and the environment in the Chihuahua's Desert.	El Paso Water Utilities; NADB-EPA B2020 Grant	Total: \$36,255.99 (\$18,212.19 from B2020 grant)	Border 2020 Grant; EPWU	Nancy Guzman ( <a href="mailto:nlguzman@epwu.org">nlguzman@epwu.org</a> )	Outputs: Obtain the water quality of the Rio Grande through testing kits and equipment (8 parameters) and impacts of human health from this water quality. Obtain water quality information, plants, organisms, pollution and human health's impacts and map it for schools in Mexico, Colorado, New Mexico and other parts of Texas.	New – Funded B2020 2017 RF	New – Funded B2020 2017 RF
E-6	Collaborative K12 capacity building and research for air quality monitoring:	UTEP; NADB-EPA B2020 Grant	Total: \$107,831	Border 2020	Stanley Mubako	Outputs: Build a Geographic Information System	New – Funded B2020 2017 RF	New – Funded under FY2017 B2020 RFP

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	Capacity building for K12 in GIS mapping and air quality awareness		(96,331 from b2020 grant)	Grant; UTEP	<a href="mailto:stmubako@utep.edu">stmubako@utep.edu</a>	(GIS) capacity of K12 schools through inquiry-based learning, focusing on an ambient air quality study. Conduct a particulate matter exposure risk analysis 2 long-term exposure maps. 100 teachers trained on GIS. GIS data collection. Design and publish 2 web applications for communication purposes, 2 research publications.		
<b>E-7</b>	<p>U.S.-Mexico borderlands GIS mapping</p> <p>Develop the customized and interactive binational philanthropic database and mapping platform. GIS map will identify the names of the foundations, corporations, or government entities are funding in the region, the specific areas of interest and locations all the way down to the community level across the 10 Border State region.</p>	U.S.-Mexico Border Philanthropy Partnership	Total: \$125,510 (B2020 - \$25K)	NADB – Border 2020 Grant	Andy Carey <a href="mailto:Andy@borderpartnership.org">Andy@borderpartnership.org</a>	Outputs: U.S.-Mexico Borderlands GIS map; outreach campaign to instruct and inform in the use of the GIS map in each of the 10 Border States.	New – Funded under FY2017 B2020 RFP	New – Funded under FY2017 B2020 RFP