



# **FY19 128(A) FUNDING GUIDANCE**

## **NEW SMALL TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE GRANTS**

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# FY19 I28(A) FUNDING GUIDANCE OVERVIEW

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- Published in the Federal Register on September 28, 2018
- Available online: <https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2018-10/documents/fy19-i28a-guidance-final-9.19.18.pdf>
- Funding Requests are due on **December 14, 2018**, to regional contact listed in Federal Register
- Anticipate similar appropriation as FY18 (\$47.745 M minus rescission)
- **Major Change** – New Grant Program added to I28(a) when the BUILD Act was passed



# SMALL COMMUNITY TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE GRANTS

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- Section 128(a)(1)(B) is amended to authorize a new grant program using CERCLA 104(k) funding for states and tribes to provide training, technical assistance, or research for small communities (pop. 15,000 or less), Indian tribes, rural areas, and/or disadvantaged areas.
  - A maximum of \$20,000 per community
  - \$1.5 M total of technical assistance funding can be used for these grants
  - Disadvantaged Area definition – a community with an annual median household income that is less than 80% of the statewide annual median household income, as determined by the most recent census
  - Small Community definition – a community with a population of not more than 15,000 individuals, as determined by the most recent census.
- Conforming Amendment: Davis Bacon applies to these activities.
- This will be funded with 104(k) funding and that can be included / rolled into state and tribal 128(a) grants.



# SMALL TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM

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- Requests for small grants **will run concurrently** with the FY19 I28(a) funding requests.
- Appendix A of the FY19 I28(a) Funding Guidance explains how to request small grant funding.
- Note: Because the new small grant program is funded with a different appropriation than I28(a), it is not eligible to be placed into a PPG. If I28(a) funds are in a PPG, this new grant funding (if allocated) will be awarded as a separate grant.



# SMALL TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE GRANT PROGRAM

## SUBMISSION REQUEST HIGHLIGHTS

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- Existing I28(a) recipients are eligible
- Only submit one request to support a community that meets the disadvantaged **or** small community definitions in the BUILD Act
- Proposed community benefiting from the grant needs to show that they support the state/tribe receiving the grant
- Max amount of funding is \$20,000 per community
- Deadline: **December 14** (include w/ I28(a) FY19 funding request)
- Full description is found in Appendix A of the FY19 I28(a) State and Tribal Funding Guidance



# EXAMPLES & DISCUSSION

## WHAT CAN YOU DO WITH \$20K?

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- **Provide Technical Assistance** to a community new to Brownfields (introduce them to state program, host roundtable to discuss brownfields opportunities)
- Host a **Design Charette/complete planning analysis** for community that needs a little more support at a brownfields site that they are already working on
- **Partner** with universities who can provide this technical assistance
- **Mentor** a tribe that is interested in learning more about brownfields
- Consider using **EPA's Land Revitalization Tools**: Smart Growth, Green Infrastructure or Waste Minimization Best Practices.
- Explore the guideline focus **on renewable energy** – based on a community's interest





# PREPARED WORKBOOK

Process for Risk Evaluation,  
Property Analysis and Reuse Decisions



FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS CONSIDERING  
THE REUSE OF CONTAMINATED PROPERTIES



EPA United States Environmental Protection Agency  
EPA 230-R-15-001  
May 2015  
www.epa.gov/smartgrowth

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DISTRESSED COMMUNITIES: 30 STRATEGIES**

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Smart Growth Program

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Resources for Brownfields Revitalization*



# NEED ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ?

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**U.S. EPA Brownfields Website**

[www.epa.gov/brownfields](http://www.epa.gov/brownfields)

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