

FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2015 INTERCITY BUS SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM (IBSGP) NOTICE OF FUNDING OPPORTUNITY (NOFO) – KEY CHANGES

INTERCITY BUS SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM

IBSGP has been reinstated as a grant program under the Department's FY 2015 appropriation. This grant program was last funded in FY 2011.

PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE (POP)

In FY 2015, the IBSGP will have a Period of Performance of thirty-six (36) months.

RECIPIENT ELIGIBILITY

Per 6 U.S.C. § 1182(f), eligible recipients must have completed a vulnerability assessment and developed a security plan that the Secretary of Homeland Security has approved as described in Sec. 1531 of the *Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007* (9/11 Act) (Pub. L. No. 110-53) (6 U.S.C. § 1181).

FUNDING DOCUMENT TITLE AND FORMAT

The Department of Homeland Security issued Grant Alert 15-03, replacing the Funding Opportunity Announcement template with the Notice of Funding Opportunity template. The new template changes the format and information contained in the previous Funding Opportunity Announcement.

UNIFORM ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS, COST PRINCIPLES, AND AUDIT REQUIREMENTS

The Department of Homeland Security adopted 2 C.F.R. Part 200. Now that DHS has adopted 2 C.F.R. Part 200, these new regulations will apply to all new Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) grant awards that are made on or after December 26, 2014. The new regulations supersede 44 C.F.R. Part 13, and the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circulars A-21, A-87, A-89, A-102, A-110, A-122, A-133, and sections of A-50 for all FEMA awards made on or after December 26, 2014. This means that recipients of IBSGP funding must follow new administrative requirements and Cost Principles codified in 2 C.F.R. Part 200 instead of the previous regulations in 44 C.F.R. Part 13.