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**SUBJECT: Guidance to Recipients and Subrecipients of FEMA
Preparedness Grants Regarding Requirements for Fusion
Centers**

I. Purpose

The purpose of this Information Bulletin (IB) is to provide guidance to recipients of FEMA preparedness grants regarding requirements for fusion centers.

II. Applicability

This IB is applicable to all Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) funds awarded by the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

III. Guidance

A. The Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) plays an important role in the implementation of the National Preparedness System by supporting the building, sustainment, and delivery of core capabilities essential to achieving the National Preparedness Goal of a secure and resilient Nation. The HSGP's allowable costs support efforts to build and sustain core capabilities across the Prevention, Protection, Mitigation, Response, and Recovery mission areas, including the following priorities:

1) Building and Sustaining Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Capabilities,
and

2) Maturation and Enhancement of State and Major Urban Area Fusion Centers.

- B. DHS preparedness grants continue to prioritize support for designated State and major urban area fusion centers and the maturation of the Information Sharing Environment (ISE).
- C. In order to effectively measure implementation of this priority, designated State and major urban area fusion centers leveraging HSGP grant funds will be evaluated based upon compliance with requirements identified each year in the HSGP Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO).
- D. These requirements are available at: <https://www.dhs.gov/homeland-security-grant-program-hsgp>.
- E. Fusion centers will report on the achievement of capabilities and compliance with performance measurement requirements through the annual Fusion Center Assessment managed by the DHS Office of Intelligence and Analysis (I&A) and reported to FEMA.

IV. Questions

Questions regarding this IB may be directed to the applicable GPD or Regional Program Analyst.

V. Review Date

This IB will be reviewed within five years (5) from date of issuance.