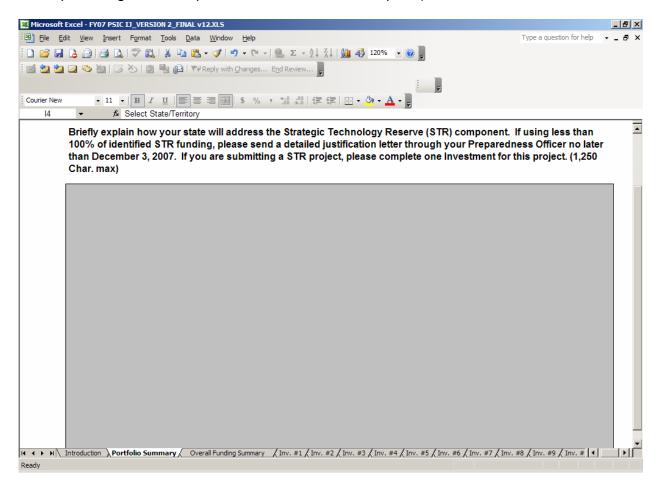
Investment Justification Reference Guide Addendum

The National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) hosted 4 Public Safety Interoperable Communications (PSIC) workshops from September 24 through October 1, 2007. Based on stakeholder feedback from these workshops, the Investment Justification (IJ) Template was revised to make it easier for States and Territories to develop IJs. The purpose of this Addendum is to provide States and Territories guidance on how to complete the updated IJ Template based on the modified sections below.

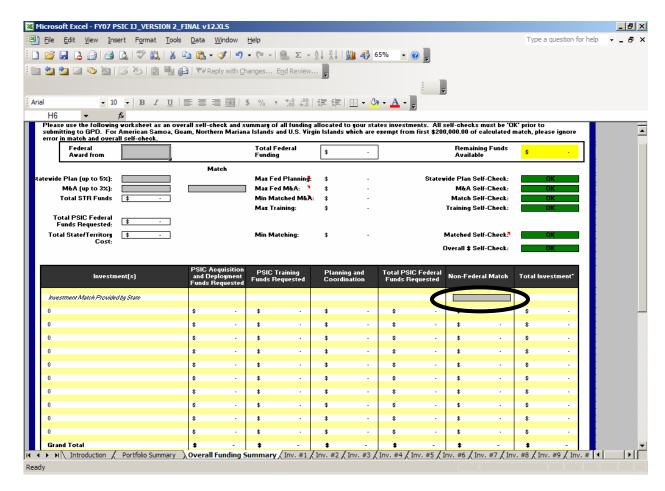
Portfolio Summary Updates

Description added to the Strategic Technology Reserve (STR) component – If a
State or Territory is not using the identified amount of STR funding (noted in the
Grant Program Guidance and Application Kit), it must submit a detailed justification
letter/waiver to its Preparedness Officer no later than December 3, 2007 (in addition
to providing a brief explanation within the IJ Template).



Overall Funding Summary Updates

 "Investment Match Provided by State" row added to the Investment Summary Table – A State or Territory can either identify and allocate its match at the overall IJ level or per individual Investment. If a State or Territory opts to provide match at the IJ level, it can provide the match funding in the gray box of the Investment Summary Table.

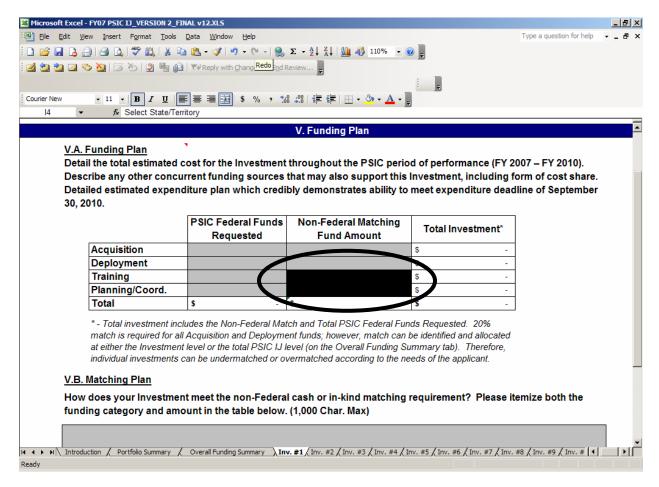


- Total STR Funds Match box deleted If a State or Territory is applying PSIC funds toward its STR, it should detail the match within the STR Investment tab (and not on the Overall Funding Summary tab).
- Introductory sentence added to Overall Funding Summary tab –American Samoa, Guam, Northern Mariana Islands, and the U.S. Virgin Islands have a unique matching requirement. Therefore, the match self-check and overall self-check should be ignored (these Territories are able to submit the IJ even though the selfchecks will be red).

Investment Tab Updates

 Sentence added to Section V.A. Funding Plan – As noted, a State or Territory has more flexibility in meeting the 20 percent statutory match requirement. States and Territories no longer have to provide match on a project-by-project level; match can either be identified and allocated at the total IJ level or per individual Investment. Therefore, the non-federal matching share self check has been deleted.

Table updated in Section V.A. Funding Plan – A State or Territory can no longer apply match within the Non-Federal Matching Fund Amount fields for training and planning/coordination activities. The statutory not less than 20 percent match requirement is only for acquisition and deployment activities. Management and Administration (M&A) can only be used at the State-level. For all local/regional-level M&A in-kind matches, States and Territories must record the match in the relevant Investment's V.A.-Funding Plan section. The M&A in-kind value can be divided in one or both of the acquisition and deployment categories. In the V.B.-Matching Plan section, States and Territories must then identify the M&A as either acquisition or deployment-related contributions.



Conclusion

For more information on the PSIC Grant Program, please refer to the Grant Program Guidance and Application Kit or contact the Centralized Scheduling and Information Desk at 1-800-368-6498 or askcsid@dhs.gov. Additionally, PSIC Grant Program updates will be posted on the NTIA website: http://www.ntia.doc.gov/psic and the DHS website: http://www.dhs.gov/xgovt/grants/index.shtm.