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FROM:	Christopher P. Logan Acting Assistant Administrator Grant Programs Directorate
SUBJECT:	Expedited Period of Performance (PoP) Extension Process for Certain FY 2019 Preparedness Grants

I. Purpose

This Information Bulletin (IB) serves to modify the Notices of Funding Opportunity (NOFOs) and provide an expedited submission, review, and decision process for grant recipient Period of Performance (PoP) extension requests for certain Fiscal Year (FY) 2019 preparedness grant programs, which are identified in Section II below. *This IB is being issued in response to the continuing COVID-19 pandemic and the operational impacts many grant recipients are still experiencing, especially with critical supply-chain challenges.*

Recent recipient requests for FY 2019 PoP extensions cite COVID-19, in part or whole, as justification for approval. The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) recognizes that state and local government resources continue to be constrained because of pandemic response activities and the resultant effects on the national economy and the supply chain. Therefore, to relieve some of the administrative burden on grant recipients, FEMA is instituting a streamlined process for COVID-19-related extension requests. This process is the same as those used in the previous two (2) years and published in Information Bulletins (IBs) No. 449 and No. 459 (issued April 30, 2020, and February 18, 2021, respectively).

II. Applicability

- A. This IB is applicable to the following FY 2019 Preparedness GrantPrograms:
 - 1. Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP)
 - 2. Nonprofit Security Grant Program (NSGP)
 - 3. Tribal Homeland Security Grant Program (THSGP)
 - 4. Port Security Grant Program (PSGP)
 - 5. Transit Security Grant Program (TSGP)
 - 6. Intercity Passenger Rail (IPR) Program

B. The deadline for submitting PoP extension requests under this IB is June 15, 2022.

- C. Extensions will be for a no-cost PoP extension and no project scope changes are approved as a part of this process.
- D. Liquidation extensions and closeout reporting extensions will continue to follow the regular submission and review process permitted under 2 C.F.R. § 200.343 and are not applicable to this IB.

III. Guidance

- A. Requirements for all PoP Extension Requests covered under this IB:
 - 1. For all extension requests, recipients must submit a PoP Amendment in the ND Grants system and upload a copy of this IB at the time of request to serve as the approval authorizing document for FEMA.
 - 2. In the ND Grants Amendment Request Narrative section, recipients shall indicate they are requesting a PoP extension through the authority of this IB.
 - a. Recipients shall include a brief explanation for the request (i.e., operational impacts due to the COVID-19 pandemic). The explanation should be limited to one brief paragraph.
 - 3. No additional attachments, justification, or documentation is required. The recipient will receive all communications, including the final outcome (approved/disapproved) of the amendment request for the extension via the normal ND Grants electronic notification process.
 - 4. For all open FY 2019 preparedness grant awards set to expire on or before December 31, 2022, where a recipient is requesting a PoP extension due to COVID 19 related delays, extensions will be approved for up to 12 months.
 - 5. *Deadlines required per 2 C.F.R.* § 200.343(*a*)-(*b*): Non-federal entities must liquidate all obligations incurred under these federal awards not later than 90 calendar days after the end date of the period of performance as specified in the terms and conditions of the federal award. Non-federal entities must also submit closeout reports within 90 calendar days from the end of the PoP.

IV. Questions

Questions regarding this IB may be directed to your assigned FEMA Preparedness Officer or the Centralized Scheduling and Information Desk (CSID) at <u>askcsid@fema.dhs.gov</u> or (800) 368-6498, Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. ET.

V. Review Date

Not Applicable, as this IB will sunset on June 15, 2022.