

List of Eligible Entities for the CenSARA/Blue Skyways Collaborative Request for Proposals

Summary Eligibility Information; Activities and Entities Eligible for Funding: Only States/Locals/Tribes, etc. eligible for CAA '105 funding will be considered for funding.

The following is a list of examples of eligible entities:

State Programs

Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality

Iowa Department of Natural Resources

Kansas Department of Health and Environment

Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality

Minnesota Pollution Control Agency

Missouri Department of Natural Resources

Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality

New Mexico Environmental Department

Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

Local Programs

City of Dallas, Texas

Partnership Information

CenSARA, in the name of the Blue Skyways Collaborative, awards funds to one eligible applicant as the “recipient” even if other eligible applicants are named as “partners” or “co-applicants” or members of a “coalition” or “consortium”. The recipient is accountable to Blue Skyways for the proper expenditure of funds.

Funding may be used to provide subgrants or subawards of financial assistance to fund partnerships provided the recipient complies with applicable requirements for subawards or subgrants including those contained in 40 CFR Part 31, as appropriate.

Successful applicants must compete contracts for services and products and conduct cost and price analyses to the extent required by the procurement provisions of the regulations cited above. The regulations also contain limitations on consultant compensation. Applicants are not required to identify contractors or consultants in their proposal. Moreover, the fact that a successful applicant has named a specific contractor or consultant in the proposal Blue Skyways approves does not relieve the applicant of its obligations to comply with competitive procurement requirements. Please note that applicants may not award sole source contracts to consulting, engineering or other firms assisting applicants with the proposal based on the firm's role in preparing the proposal.

Successful applicants cannot use Subgrants or subawards to avoid requirements in EPA grant regulations for competitive procurement by using these instruments to acquire commercial services or products from for-profit

organizations to carry out its assistance agreement. The nature of the transaction between the recipient and the subawardee or subgrantee must be consistent with the standards for distinguishing between vendor transactions and subrecipient assistance under Subpart B Section .210 of OMB Circular A-133, and the definitions of “subaward” at 40 CFR 30.2(ff) or “subgrant” at 40 CFR 31.3, as applicable. Neither CenSARA nor the Blue Skyways Collaborative will be a party to these transactions.