



**WHATCOM COUNTY CONTRACT
INFORMATION SHEET**

Whatcom County Contract No.
202603019

Originating Department:	Whatcom County Sheriff's Office 35
Division/Program: <i>(i.e. Dept. Division and Program)</i>	Division of Emergency Management 3580
Contract or Grant Administrator:	Matt Klein
Contractor's / Agency Name:	Washington State Military Department
Is this a New Contract? If not, is this an Amendment or Renewal to an Existing Contract? Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> If Amendment or Renewal, (per WCC 3.08.100 (a)) Original Contract #: _____	
Does contract require Council Approval? Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> If No, include WCC: _____ Already approved? Council Approved Date: _____ (Exclusions see: Whatcom County Codes 3.06.010, 3.08.090 and 3.08.100)	
Is this a grant agreement? Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> If yes, grantor agency contract number(s): <u>E26-218</u> CFDA#: <u>97.042</u>	
Is this contract grant funded? Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/> If yes, Whatcom County grant contract number(s): _____	
Is this contract the result of a RFP or Bid process? Contract Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/> If yes, RFP and Bid number(s): _____ Cost Center: <u>13511059</u>	
Is this agreement excluded from E-Verify? No <input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> If no, include Attachment D Contractor Declaration form.	
If YES, indicate exclusion(s) below: <input type="checkbox"/> Professional services agreement for certified/licensed professional. <input type="checkbox"/> Goods and services provided due to an emergency <input type="checkbox"/> Contract work is for less than \$100,000. <input type="checkbox"/> Contract for Commercial off the shelf items (COTS). <input type="checkbox"/> Contract work is for less than 120 days. <input type="checkbox"/> Work related subcontract less than \$25,000. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Interlocal Agreement (between Governments). <input type="checkbox"/> Public Works - Local Agency/Federally Funded FHWA.	
Contract Amount:(sum of original contract amount and any prior amendments): \$ <u>65,507</u> This Amendment Amount: \$ <u>0</u> Total Amended Amount: \$ <u>65,507</u>	Council approval required for; all property leases, contracts or bid awards exceeding \$40,000 , and professional service contract amendments that have an increase greater than \$10,000 or 10% of contract amount, whichever is greater, except when: 1. Exercising an option contained in a contract previously approved by the council. 2. Contract is for design, construction, r-o-w acquisition, prof. services, or other capital costs approved by council in a capital budget appropriation ordinance. 3. Bid or award is for supplies. 4. Equipment is included in Exhibit "B" of the Budget Ordinance. 5. Contract is for manufacturer's technical support and hardware maintenance of electronic systems and/or technical support and software maintenance from the developer of proprietary software currently used by Whatcom County.
Summary of Scope: _____	
This grant is to assist Whatcom County in preparing for all hazards through sustainment and enhancement of Division of Emergency Management programs as described in the Work Plan.	
Term of Contract: 16 months	Expiration Date: 9/30/26

Contract Routing:	1. Prepared by: <u>S Webster</u>	Date: <u>3/27/26</u>
	2. Attorney signoff: <u>B Waldron (via email)</u>	Date: <u>3/30/26</u>
	3. AS Finance reviewed: <u>M Caldwell (via email)</u>	Date: <u>4.1.26</u>
	4. IT reviewed (if IT related): _____	Date: _____
	5. Contractor signed: _____	Date: _____
	6. Submitted to Exec.: _____ <u>7W</u>	Date: <u>4/30/26</u>
	7. Council approved (if necessary): <u>AB2026-290</u>	Date: <u>4/28/26</u>
	8. Executive signed: _____	Date: <u>4/30/26</u>
	9. Original to Council: _____	Date: _____

**Washington State Military Department
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PERFORMANCE GRANT AGREEMENT FACE SHEET**

1. Subrecipient Name and Address: Whatcom County Sheriff's Office Division of Emergency Management (WCSO-DEM) 311 Grand Avenue Bellingham, WA 98225		2. Grant Agreement Amount: \$65,507	3. Grant Agreement Number: E26-218						
4. Subrecipient Contact, phone/email: Stephanie Webster, 360-778-7169 swebster@co.whatcom.wa.us		5. Grant Agreement Start Date: June 1, 2025	6. Grant Agreement End Date: September 30, 2026						
7. Department Contact, phone/email: Ben Olson, 253-512-7224 benjamin.olson@mil.wa.gov		8. Unique Entity Identifier (UEI): NT6RMN8THTN7	9. UBI # (state revenue): 371-010-246						
10. Funding Authority: Washington State Military Department (the "DEPARTMENT") and the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS)									
11. Federal Award ID # (FAIN): EMS-2025-EP-05001	12. Federal Award Date: 02/06/2026	13. Assistance Listings # & Title: 97.042 (25EMPG)							
14. Total Federal Amount: \$6,835,572	15. Program Index # & OBJ/SUB-OBJ: 753PT NZ	16. EIN: 91-6001383							
17. Service Districts: (BY LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT): 40,42 (BY CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT): 2		18. Service Area by County(ies): Whatcom	19. Women/Minority-Owned, State Certified: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES, OMWBE # _____						
20. Agreement Classification: <input type="checkbox"/> Personal Services <input type="checkbox"/> Client Services <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public/Local Gov't <input type="checkbox"/> Research/Development <input type="checkbox"/> A/E <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____		21. Contract Type (check all that apply): <input type="checkbox"/> Contract <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grant <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Agreement <input type="checkbox"/> Intergovernmental (RCW 39.34) <input type="checkbox"/> Interagency							
22. Subrecipient Selection Process: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> "To all who apply & qualify" <input type="checkbox"/> Competitive Bidding <input type="checkbox"/> Sole Source <input type="checkbox"/> A/E RCW <input type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/> Filed w/OFM? <input type="checkbox"/> Advertised? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO		23. Subrecipient Type (check all that apply): <input type="checkbox"/> Private Organization/Individual <input type="checkbox"/> For-Profit <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public Organization/Jurisdiction <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Profit <input type="checkbox"/> CONTRACTOR <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SUBRECIPIENT <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER							
24. PURPOSE & DESCRIPTION: The purpose of the Fiscal Year (FY) 2025 Emergency Management Performance Grant (25EMPG) program is to provide U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS)/Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Federal award funds to states to assist state, local, territorial, and tribal governments in preparing for all hazards through sustainment and enhancement of those programs as described in the Work Plan. The Department is the Recipient and Pass-through Entity of the 25EMPG DHS Award Letter for Grant No. EMS-2025-EP-05001 ("Grant"), which is incorporated in and attached hereto as Attachment C and has made a subaward of Federal award funds to the Subrecipient pursuant to this Agreement. The Subrecipient is accountable to the Department for use of Federal award funds provided under this Agreement and the associated matching funds.									
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Department and Subrecipient acknowledge and accept the terms of this Agreement, including all referenced Attachments which are hereby incorporated in and made a part hereof, and have executed this Agreement as of the date below. This Agreement Face Sheet; Special Terms & Conditions (Attachment A); General Terms and Conditions (Attachment B); 25EMPG Award Letter EMS-2025-EP-05001 (Attachment C); Work Plan (Attachment D); Timeline (Attachment E); Budget (Attachment F); Build America, Buy America Act Self-Certification (Attachment G); and all other documents expressly referenced and incorporated herein contain all the terms and conditions agreed upon by the parties and govern the rights and obligations of the parties to this Agreement. No other understandings, oral or otherwise, regarding the subject matter of this Agreement shall be deemed to exist or to bind any of the parties hereto.									
In the event of an inconsistency in this Agreement, unless otherwise provided herein, the inconsistency shall be resolved by giving precedence in the following order: <table style="width:100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width:50%; border: none;">1. Applicable Federal and State Statutes and Regulations</td> <td style="width:50%; border: none;">4. Special Terms and Conditions</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="border: none;">2. DHS/FEMA Award and program documents</td> <td style="border: none;">5. General Terms and Conditions, and,</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="border: none;">3. Work Plan, Timeline, and Budget</td> <td style="border: none;">6. Other provisions of the Agreement incorporated by reference</td> </tr> </table>				1. Applicable Federal and State Statutes and Regulations	4. Special Terms and Conditions	2. DHS/FEMA Award and program documents	5. General Terms and Conditions, and,	3. Work Plan, Timeline, and Budget	6. Other provisions of the Agreement incorporated by reference
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WHEREAS, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement on the day and year last specified below.									
FOR THE DEPARTMENT:  _____ Signature Date		FOR THE SUBRECIPIENT:  _____ Signature Date							
Seth Daniel Nickerson, Chief Financial Officer Washington State Military Department		Satpal Singh Sidhu, Whatcom County Executive Whatcom County							
BOILERPLATE APPROVED AS TO FORM: David Merchant October 1, 2025 Assistant Attorney General		APPROVED AS TO FORM (if applicable): Brandon Waldron (via email BW/SW 3/30/26) _____ Signature Date							

SPECIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

ARTICLE I. KEY PERSONNEL

The individuals listed below shall be considered key personnel for point of contact under this Agreement. Any substitution of key personnel by either party shall be made by written notification to the current key personnel.

SUBRECIPIENT		DEPARTMENT	
Name	Stephanie Webster	Name	Ben Olson
Title	Financial Accountant	Title	Program Coordinator
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Phone	360-778-7169	Phone	253-512-7224
Name	Donnell "Tank" Tanksley	Name	Peter Drance
Title	Sheriff/ EM Director	Title	Program Manager
Email	dtanksle@co.whatcom.wa.us	Email	peter.drance@mil.wa.gov
Phone	360-778-6600	Phone	253-512-7322
Name	Matt Klein	Name	General Information
Title	Deputy Director		
Email	mklein@co.whatcom.wa.us	Email	preparedness.grants@mil.wa.gov
Phone	360-778-7160		
Name	Chalice Dew-Johnson	Name	
Title	Coordinator		
Email	cdjohnso@co.whatcom.wa.us	Email	
Phone	360-778-7162		

ARTICLE II. ADMINISTRATIVE AND/OR FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS

The Subrecipient shall comply with all applicable state and federal laws, rules, regulations, requirements and program guidance identified or referenced in this Agreement and the informational documents published by DHS/FEMA applicable to the 25EMPG Program, including, but not limited to, all criteria, restrictions, and requirements of "*The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) Fiscal Year 2025 Emergency Management Performance Grant Program*" (hereafter "the NOFO"), the *Preparedness Grants Manual*, FM-207-23-0001 August 2025 (hereafter "the Manual"), the DHS Award Letter for the Grant, and the federal regulations commonly applicable to DHS/FEMA grants, all of which are incorporated herein by reference. The *DHS Award Letter* is incorporated in this Agreement as Attachment C.

The Subrecipient acknowledges that since this Agreement involves federal award funding, the performance period may begin prior to the availability of appropriated federal funds. The Subrecipient agrees that it will not hold the Department, the State of Washington, or the United States liable for any damages, claim for reimbursement, or any type of payment whatsoever for services performed under this Agreement prior to distribution of appropriated federal funds, or if federal funds are not appropriated or in a particular amount.

A. STATE AND FEDERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR DHS/FEMA PREPAREDNESS GRANTS:

The following requirements apply to all DHS/FEMA Preparedness Grants administered by the Department.

1. SUBAWARDS & CONTRACTS BY SUBRECIPIENT

- a. The Subrecipient must make a case-by-case determination whether each agreement it makes for the disbursement of 25EMPG funds received under this Agreement casts the party receiving the funds in the role of a subrecipient or contractor in accordance with 2 CFR 200.331.
- b. If the Subrecipient becomes a pass-through entity by making a subaward to a subrecipient:
 - i. The Subrecipient must comply with all federal laws and regulations applicable to pass-through entities of 25EMPG funds, including, but not limited to, those contained in 2 CFR 200.

- ii. The Subrecipient shall require its subrecipient(s) to comply with all applicable state and federal laws, rules, regulations, requirements, and program guidance identified or referenced in this Agreement and the informational documents published by DHS/FEMA applicable to the 25EMPG Program, including, but not limited to, all criteria, restrictions, and requirements of the NOFO, the Manual, the DHS Award Letter for the Grant in Attachment C, and the federal regulations commonly applicable to DHS/FEMA grants.
- iii. The Subrecipient shall be responsible to the Department for ensuring that all 25EMPG federal award funds provided to its subrecipients, and associated matching funds, are used in accordance with applicable federal and state statutes and regulations, and the terms and conditions of the federal award set forth in this agreement (Attachment C).
- iv. The Subrecipient must follow their own policies and procedures to eliminate or reduce the impact of conflicts of interest when making subawards, adhering to any applicable federal or state statutes or regulations. Any real or potential conflicts of interest must be reported to the Department in writing upon discovery.

2. BUDGET, REIMBURSEMENT, AND TIMELINE

- a. Within the total Grant Agreement Amount, travel, subcontracts, salaries, benefits, printing, equipment, and other goods and services or other budget categories will be reimbursed on an actual cost basis upon completion unless otherwise provided in this Agreement.
- b. The maximum amount of all reimbursement requests permitted to be submitted under this Agreement, including the final reimbursement request, is limited to and shall not exceed the total Grant Agreement Amount.
- c. If the Subrecipient chooses to include indirect costs within the Budget (Attachment F), additional documentation is required based on the applicable situation. As described in 2 CFR 200.414 and Appendix VII to 2 CFR 200:
 - i. If the Subrecipient receives direct funding from any Federal agency(ies), documentation of the rate must be submitted to the Department Key Personnel per the following:
 - A. More than \$35 million, the approved indirect cost rate agreement negotiated with its federal cognizant agency.
 - B. Less than \$35 million, the indirect cost proposal developed in accordance with Appendix VII of 2 CFR 200 requirements.
 - ii. If the Subrecipient does not receive direct federal funds (i.e., only receives funds as a subrecipient), the Subrecipient must either elect to charge a de minimis rate of fifteen percent (15%) or 15% of modified total direct costs or choose to negotiate a higher rate with the Department.
- d. For travel costs, the Subrecipient shall comply with 2 CFR 200.475 and should consult their internal policies, state rates set pursuant to RCW 43.03.050 and RCW 43.03.060 as now existing or amended, and federal maximum rates set forth at <https://www.gsa.gov>, and follow the most restrictive. If travel costs exceed set state or federal limits, travel costs shall not be reimbursed without written approval by Department Key Personnel. All international travel requires prior FEMA approval.
- e. Reimbursement requests will include a properly completed State A-19 Invoice Form and Reimbursement Spreadsheet (in the format provided by the Department) detailing the expenditures for which reimbursement is sought. Reimbursement requests must be submitted to Reimbursements@mil.wa.gov no later than the due dates listed within the Timeline (Attachment E).

Reimbursement request totals should be commensurate to the time spent processing by the Subrecipient and the Department.

- f. Receipts and/or backup documentation for any approved items that are authorized under this Agreement must be maintained by the Subrecipient consistent with record retention requirements of this Agreement and be made available upon request by the Department and auditors.
- g. The Subrecipient must request **prior** written approval from Department Key Personnel to waive or extend a due date in the Timeline (Attachment E). Waiving or missing deadlines serves as an indicator for assessing an agency's level of risk of noncompliance with the regulations, requirements, and the terms and conditions of the Agreement and may increase required monitoring activities. For waived or extended reimbursement due dates, all allowable costs should be submitted on the next scheduled reimbursement due date contained in the Timeline. This request must be submitted to the Department Key Personnel **sufficiently in advance** of the due date to provide adequate time for Department review and consideration and may be granted or denied within the Department's sole discretion.
- h. All work under this Agreement must end on or before the Grant Agreement End Date, and the final reimbursement request must be submitted to the Department within the time period notated in the Timeline (Attachment E) except as otherwise authorized by either (1) written amendment of this Agreement or (2) written notification from the Department to the Subrecipient to provide additional time for completion of the Subrecipient's project(s). If funds are not required, the Subrecipient shall notify the Department Key Personnel.
- i. All costs for equipment and supplies must be incurred and received before the Grant Agreement End Date.
- j. Failure to submit timely, accurate, and complete reports and reimbursement requests as required by this Agreement (including, but not limited to, those reports in the Timeline [Attachment E]) will prohibit the Subrecipient from being reimbursed until such reports and reimbursement requests are submitted and the Department has had reasonable time to conduct its review.
- k. Final reimbursement requests will not be approved for payment until the Subrecipient is current with all reporting requirements contained in this Agreement.
- l. A written amendment will be required if the Subrecipient expects cumulative transfers to approved, direct budget categories, as identified in the Budget (Attachment F), to exceed ten percent (10%) of the Grant Agreement Amount. Any changes to budget category totals not in compliance with this paragraph will not be reimbursed without approval from the Department.
- m. Subrecipients shall only use federal award funds under this Agreement to supplement existing funds and will not use them to replace (supplant) non-federal funds that have been budgeted for the same purpose. The Subrecipient may be required to demonstrate and document that a reduction in non-federal resources occurred for reasons other than the receipt or expected receipt of federal funds.

3. REPORTING

- a. With each reimbursement request, the Subrecipient shall report how the expenditures, for which reimbursement is sought, relate to the Work Plan (Attachment D) activities in the format provided by the Department.
- b. With the final reimbursement request, the Subrecipient shall submit a final report to Reimbursements@mil.wa.gov (in the format provided by the Department) describing all completed activities under this Agreement, status of training course completion by individual personnel, how the match was met and documented, and progress made with NQS implementation.
- c. The Subrecipient shall comply with the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act (FFATA) and related OMB Guidance consistent with Public Law 109-282 as amended by section 6202(a) of Public Law 110-252 (see 31 U.S.C. 6101 note) and complete and return to the Department an Audit Certification/FFATA Form. This form is required to be

completed once per calendar year, per Subrecipient, and not per agreement. The Department's Contracts Office will request the Subrecipient submit an updated form at the beginning of each calendar year in which the Subrecipient has an active agreement.

- d. To document compliance with the National Incident Management System (NIMS), the Subrecipient shall complete the annual NIMS survey conducted by Washington Emergency Management Division (EMD).

4. NIMS COMPLIANCE

- a. The National Incident Management System (NIMS) identifies concepts and principles that answer how to manage emergencies from preparedness to recovery regardless of their cause, size, location, or complexity. NIMS provides a consistent, nationwide approach and vocabulary for multiple agencies or jurisdictions to work together to build, sustain, and deliver the core capabilities needed to achieve a secure and resilient nation.
- b. Consistent implementation of NIMS provides a solid foundation across jurisdictions and disciplines to ensure effective and integrated preparedness, planning, and response. NIMS empowers the components of the National Preparedness System, a requirement of Presidential Policy Directive 8, to guide activities within the public and private sector and describes the planning, organizational activities, equipping, training, and exercising needed to build and sustain the core capabilities in support of the National Preparedness Goal.
- c. In order to receive federal preparedness funding from the Department, the Subrecipient must ensure and maintain adoption and implementation of NIMS. See Agreement Attachment A, Article II section 3.c. for associated reporting requirements. The list of objectives used for progress and achievement reporting can be found at <https://www.fema.gov/emergency-managers/nims/implementation-training>.
- d. FEMA requires phased implementation of the National Qualification System (NQS) for EMPG subrecipients. The NQS Implementation Objectives reflect the concepts and principles contained in NQS doctrine and aim to promote consistency in NQS implementation nationwide. Subrecipients will be considered in compliance with NQS requirements as long as they are working towards implementing the NQS Implementation Objectives which can be found at https://www.fema.gov/sites/default/files/documents/fema_nims-nqs-implementation-objectives_fact-sheet.pdf. Only EMPG-funded deployable personnel (determined by the Subrecipient) will be required to meet NQS certification requirements.

For 25EMPG NQS Phase 3 of implementation, Subrecipients must:

- i. Execute NQS Implementation Plan, revising as necessary.
- ii. Work towards issuing Position Task Books to designated deployable personnel.
- iii. Ensure designated deployable personnel show progress in working toward Position Task Book completion and meet the minimum training requirements for their job title/position qualification.
- iv. Track qualification, certification and credentialing for deployable personnel.
- v. Describe the status of implementation as a part of the annual NIMS survey conducted by EMD staff at the end of the calendar year.

5. EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLY MANAGEMENT

- a. The Subrecipient and any subrecipient to which the Subrecipient makes a subaward shall comply with 2 CFR 200.317 through 200.327, and all Washington State procurement statutes, when procuring any equipment or supplies under this Agreement, 2 CFR 200.313 for management of equipment, and 2 CFR 200.314 for management of supplies, to include, but not limited to:
 - i. Upon successful completion of the terms of this Agreement, all equipment and supplies purchased through this Agreement will be owned by the Subrecipient,

- or a recognized subrecipient to which the Subrecipient has made a subaward, for which a contract, subrecipient grant agreement, or other means of legal transfer of ownership is in place.
- ii. All equipment, and supplies as applicable, purchased under this Agreement will be recorded and maintained in the Subrecipient's inventory system.
 - iii. Inventory system records shall include:
 - A. Description of the property.
 - B. Manufacturer's serial number, or other identification number.
 - C. Funding source for the property, including the Federal Award Identification Number (FAIN) (Face Sheet, Box 11).
 - D. Assistance Listings Number (Face Sheet, Box 13).
 - E. Who holds the title.
 - F. Acquisition date.
 - G. Cost of the property and the percentage of federal participation in the cost.
 - H. Location, use, and condition of the property at the date the information was reported.
 - I. Disposition data including the date of disposal and sale price of the property.
 - iv. The Subrecipient shall take a physical inventory of the equipment, and supplies as applicable, and reconcile the results with the property records at least once every two years. Any differences between quantities determined by the physical inspection and those shown in the records shall be investigated by the Subrecipient to determine the cause of the difference. The Subrecipient shall, in connection with the inventory, verify the existence, current utilization, and continued need for the equipment.
 - v. The Subrecipient shall be responsible for any and all operational and maintenance expenses and for the safe operation of the equipment and supplies including all questions of liability. The Subrecipient shall develop appropriate maintenance schedules and procedures to ensure the equipment, and supplies as applicable, are well maintained and kept in good operating condition.
 - vi. The Subrecipient shall develop a control system to ensure adequate safeguards to prevent loss, damage, and theft of the property. Any loss, damage, or theft shall be investigated, and a report generated and sent to the Department's Key Personnel.
 - vii. The Subrecipient must obtain and maintain all necessary certifications and licenses for the equipment.
 - viii. If the Subrecipient is authorized or required to sell the property, proper sales procedures must be established and followed to ensure the highest possible return. For disposition, if upon termination or at the Grant Agreement End Date, when original or replacement supplies or equipment acquired under a federal award are no longer needed for the original project or program or for other activities currently or previously supported by a federal awarding agency, the Subrecipient must comply with the following procedures:
 - A. For Supplies: If there is a residual inventory of unused supplies exceeding \$10,000 in total aggregate value upon termination or completion of the project or program and the supplies are not needed for any other federal award, the Subrecipient must retain the supplies for use on other activities or sell them, but must, in either case, compensate the federal government

for its share. The amount of compensation must be computed in the same manner as for equipment.

B. For Equipment:

- 1) Items with a current per-unit fair-market value of \$10,000 or less may be retained, sold, transferred, or otherwise disposed of with no further obligation to the federal awarding agency.
- 2) Items with a current per-unit fair-market value in excess of \$10,000 may be retained or sold. The Subrecipient shall compensate the federal awarding agency in accordance with the requirements of 2 CFR 200.313 (e) (2).

C. Notify Department Key Personnel to initiate the disposition process by the federal awarding agency.

- ix. Records for equipment shall be retained by the Subrecipient for a period of six (6) years from the date of the disposition, replacement, or transfer. If any litigation, claim, or audit is started before the expiration of the six-year period, the records shall be retained by the Subrecipient until all litigation, claims, or audit findings involving the records have been resolved.
- b. The Subrecipient shall comply with the Department's Purchase Review Process, which is incorporated by reference and made part of this Agreement. No reimbursement will be provided unless the appropriate approval has been received.
- c. Allowable equipment categories for the grant program are listed on the Authorized Equipment List (AEL) located on the FEMA website at <https://www.fema.gov/grants/guidance-tools/authorized-equipment-list>. It is important that the Subrecipient and any subrecipient to which the Subrecipient makes a subaward regard the AEL as an authorized purchasing list identifying items allowed under the specific grant program; the AEL includes items that may not be categorized as equipment according to the federal, state, local, and tribal definitions of equipment. The Subrecipient is solely responsible for ensuring and documenting purchased items under this Agreement are authorized as allowed items by the AEL at time of purchase.
If the item is not identified on the AEL as allowable under the grant program, the Subrecipient must contact the Department Key Personnel for assistance in seeking FEMA approval prior to acquisition.
- d. Equipment might require more than one waiver. The Subrecipient must contact the Department Key Personnel for assistance in identifying what waivers are needed for FEMA approval prior to acquisition.
- e. Equipment purchases (those with a current per-unit fair market value in excess of \$10,000) must be identified and explained to the Department. Use, management, and disposition of such equipment is subject to requirements outlined in 2 CFR 200.313. Before making such purchases, the Subrecipient should analyze the cost benefits of purchasing versus leasing equipment, especially those subject to rapid technical advances.
- f. Unless expressly provided otherwise, all equipment must meet all mandatory regulatory state and DHS/FEMA adopted standards to be eligible for purchase using federal award funds.
- g. If funding is allocated to support emergency communications activities, the Subrecipient must ensure that all projects comply with SAFECOM Guidance on Emergency Communications Grants, located at <https://www.cisa.gov/safecom/funding>, including provisions on technical standards that ensure and enhance interoperable communications.

- h. Effective August 13, 2020, FEMA recipients and subrecipients, as well as their contractors and subcontractors, may not obligate or expend any FEMA award funds to:
- i. Procure or obtain any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology of any system;
 - ii. Enter into, extend, or renew a contract to procure or obtain any equipment, system, or service that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology of any system; or
 - iii. Enter into, extend, or renew contracts with entities that use covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system.

This prohibition regarding certain telecommunications and video surveillance services or equipment is mandated by section 889 of the *John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (FY 2019 NDAA)*, Pub. L. No. 115-232 (2018) and 2 CFR 200.216, 200.327, 200.471, and Appendix II to 2CFR200. Recipients and subrecipients may use DHS/FEMA grant funding to procure replacement equipment and services impacted by this prohibition, provided the costs are otherwise consistent with the requirements of the Manual and the NOFO.

Per subsections 889(f)(2)-(3) of the FY 2019 NDAA, and 2 CFR 200.216, covered telecommunications equipment or services means:

- i. Telecommunications equipment produced by Huawei Technologies Company or ZTE Corporation (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities);
 - ii. For the purpose of public safety, security of government facilities, physical security surveillance of critical infrastructure, and other national security purposes, video surveillance and telecommunications equipment produced by Hytera Communications Corporation, Hangzhou Hikvision Digital Technology Company, or Dahua Technology Company (or any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities);
 - iii. Telecommunications or video surveillance services provided by such entities or using such equipment; or
 - iv. Telecommunications or video surveillance equipment or services produced or provided by an entity that the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Director of National Intelligence or the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, reasonably believes to be an entity owned or controlled by, or otherwise connected to, the government of a covered foreign country.
- i. The Subrecipient must pass through equipment and supply management requirements that meet or exceed the requirements outlined above to any subrecipient to which the Subrecipient makes a subaward under this Agreement.

6. ENVIRONMENTAL AND HISTORICAL PRESERVATION

- a. The Subrecipient shall ensure full compliance with the DHS/FEMA Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation (EHP) program. EHP program information can be found at <https://www.fema.gov/grants/guidance-tools/environmental-historic> all of which are incorporated in and made a part of this Agreement.
- b. Projects that have historical impacts or the potential to impact the environment, **including, but not limited to**, construction of communication towers; modification or renovation of existing buildings, structures and facilities; installation of sonar system; or new construction including replacement of facilities, must participate in the DHS/FEMA EHP review process prior to initiation. Modification of existing buildings, including minimally invasive improvements such as attaching monitors to interior walls, and training or exercises occurring outside in areas not considered previously disturbed, also require a DHS/FEMA EHP review before project initiation.

- c. The EHP review process involves the submission of a detailed project description that includes the entire scope of work, including any alternatives that may be under consideration, along with supporting documentation so FEMA may determine whether the proposed project has the potential to impact environmental resources and/or historic properties.
- d. The Subrecipient agrees that to receive any federal preparedness funding, all EHP compliance requirements outlined in applicable guidance must be met. The EHP review process **must be completed and FEMA approval received by the Subrecipient before any work is started** for which reimbursement will be later requested. Expenditures for projects started before completion of the EHP review process and receipt of approval by the Subrecipient will not be reimbursed.

7. PROCUREMENT

The Subrecipient shall comply with all procurement requirements of 2 CFR Part 200.317 through 200.327 and as specified in the General Terms and Conditions (Attachment B, A.10).

- a. For all contracts expected to exceed the simplified acquisition threshold, per 2 CFR 200.1, the Subrecipient must notify the Department. The Department may request pre-procurement documents, such as request for proposals, invitations for bids and independent cost estimates. This requirement must be passed on to any subrecipient to which the Subrecipient makes a subaward, at which point the Subrecipient will be responsible for requesting and reviewing pre-procurement documents.
- b. For all sole source contracts expected to exceed the micro-purchase threshold per 2 CFR 200.1, the Subrecipient must submit justification to the Department for review and approval. This requirement must be passed on to any subrecipient to which the Subrecipient makes a subaward, at which point the Subrecipient will be responsible for reviewing and approving sole source justifications to any subrecipient to which Subrecipient makes any award.
- c. The Subrecipient as well as its contractors and subcontractors must comply with the Build America, Buy America Act (BABAA), which was enacted as a part of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act §§ 70901-70297, Pub. L. No. 117-58 (2021); and Executive Order 14005, Ensuring the Future is Made in All of America by All of America's Workers. BABAA requires any infrastructure project receiving federal funding must ensure:
 - i. All iron and steel used in the project are produced in the United States. This means all manufacturing processes, from initial melting stage through the application of coatings, occurred in the United States.
 - ii. All manufactured products must be produced in the United States. For a manufactured product to be considered produced in the United States, the cost of the components of the manufactured product that are mined, produced, or manufactured in the United States must be greater than 55% of the total cost of all minimum amount of domestic content of manufactured product, unless subject to another standard.
 - iii. All construction materials are manufactured in the United States. This means that all manufacturing processes for construction material occurred in the United States.

Additionally, applicable infrastructure projects are subject to domestic preference requirements. A domestic preference does not apply to non-infrastructure spending under an award that also includes a covered project. A domestic preference applies to an entire infrastructure project, even if it is funded by both federal and non-federal funds under one or more awards.

- i. Domestic preferences under BABAA only apply to articles, materials, and supplies that are consumed in, incorporated into, or affixed to an infrastructure project. As such, it does not apply to tools, equipment, and supplies, such as temporary scaffolding, brought to the construction site and removed at or before the completion of the infrastructure project. Nor does a domestic preference apply to

equipment and furnishings, such as movable chairs, desks, and portable computer equipment, that are used at or within the finished infrastructure project but are not an integral part of or permanently affixed to the structure.

- ii. Infrastructure, for the purposes of BABAA, includes, at a minimum, the structures, facilities, and equipment for, in the United States, roads, highways and bridges; public transportation; dams, ports, harbors and other maritime facilities; intercity passenger and freight railroads; freight and intermodal facilities; airports; water systems, including drinking water and wastewater systems; electrical transmission facilities and systems; utilities; broadband infrastructure; and buildings and real property. Infrastructure includes facilities that generate, transport, and distribute energy.
- iii. The Subrecipient's contractors and their subcontractors who apply or bid for an award for an infrastructure project subject to the domestic preference requirement in the BABAA shall file a required certification to the Subrecipient with each bid or offer for an infrastructure project, unless a domestic preference requirement is waived by FEMA. Contractors and subcontractors must certify that no federal financial assistance funding for infrastructure projects will be provided unless all the iron, steel, manufactured projects, and construction materials used in the project are produced in the United States. BABAA, Pub. L. No. 117-58, §§ 70901-52. Contractors and subcontractors shall also disclose any use of federal financial assistance for infrastructure projects that does not ensure compliance with BABAA domestic preference requirement. Such disclosures shall be forwarded to the Subrecipient who will forward them to the Department who, in turn, will forward the disclosures to FEMA. The Build America, Buy America Act Self-Certification form is included herein as Attachment G.

If the Subrecipient is interested in applying for a waiver, the Subrecipient should contact the Department Key Personnel to determine the requirements. All waiver requests must include a detailed justification for the use of goods, products, or materials mined, produced, or manufactured outside the United States and a certification that there was a good faith effort to solicit bids for domestic products supported by terms included in requests for proposals, contracts, and nonproprietary communications with potential suppliers.

8. SUBRECIPIENT MONITORING

- a. The Department will monitor the activities of the Subrecipient from award to closeout. The goal of the Department's monitoring activities is to ensure that subrecipients receiving federal pass-through funds are in compliance with this Agreement, federal and state audit requirements, federal grant guidance, and applicable federal and state financial regulations, as well as 2 CFR Part 200 Subpart F.
- b. To document compliance with 2 CFR Part 200 Subpart F requirements, the Subrecipient shall complete and return to the Department an *Audit Certification/FFATA Form*. Reporting requirements are referenced in section 3.d.
- c. Monitoring activities may include, but are not limited to:
 - i. Review of financial and performance reports
 - ii. Monitoring and documenting the completion of Agreement deliverables
 - iii. Documentation of phone calls, meetings (e.g. agendas, sign-in sheets, meeting minutes), e-mails and correspondence
 - iv. Review of reimbursement requests and supporting documentation to ensure allowability and consistency with Agreement Work Plan, Budget, and federal requirements
 - v. Observation and documentation of Agreement related activities, such as exercises, training, events, and equipment demonstrations

- vi. On-site visits to review equipment records and inventories, to verify source documentation for reimbursement requests and performance reports, and to verify completion of deliverables
- d. The Subrecipient is required to meet or exceed the monitoring activities, as outlined above, for any subrecipient to which the Subrecipient makes a subaward as a pass-through entity under this Agreement.
- e. Compliance will be monitored throughout the performance period to assess risk. Concerns will be addressed through a Corrective Action Plan.

9. LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENCY (CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1964 TITLE VI)

- a. The Subrecipient must comply with the Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (Title VI) prohibition against discrimination on the basis of national origin, which requires that subrecipients of federal financial assistance take reasonable steps to provide meaningful access to persons with limited English proficiency (LEP) to their programs and services. FEMA Policy FP-256-23-001 (www.fema.gov/sites/default/files/documents/fema_policy-language-access.pdf) further stresses this requirement applies to anyone awarded FEMA funding. Complying with the requirement to provide meaningful access for persons with LEP may entail providing language assistance services, including oral interpretation and written translation. Executive Order 13166, Improving Access to Services for Persons with Limited English Proficiency (August 11, 2000), requires federal agencies to issue guidance to recipients, assisting such organizations and entities in understanding their language access obligations. DHS published the required recipient guidance in April 2011, DHS Guidance to Federal Financial Assistance Recipients Regarding Title VI Prohibition Against National Origin Discrimination Affecting Limited English Proficient Persons, 76 Fed. Reg. 21755-21768, (April 18, 2011). The Guidance provides helpful information such as how a recipient can determine the extent of its obligation to provide language services, selecting language services, and elements of an effective plan on language assistance for LEP persons. For additional assistance and information regarding language access obligations, please refer to the DHS Recipient Guidance at <https://www.dhs.gov/guidance-published-help-department-supported-organizations-provide-meaningful-access-people-limited> and additional resources on <https://www.lep.gov>.
- b. Subrecipients are encouraged to perform and document their analysis of the most appropriate language assistance services necessary to ensure a LEP individual has meaningful access to the Subrecipient's programs and activities. The analysis should consider
 - i. The number or proportion of LEP individuals eligible to be served or likely encountered by the program
 - ii. The frequency with which LEP individuals come in contact with the program
 - iii. The nature and importance of the program, activity, or service provided by the program to people's lives
 - iv. The resources available to the program and costs

B. EMPG PROGRAM SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS

The Department receives EMPG funding from DHS/FEMA, to assist state, local, and tribal governments to enhance and sustain all-hazards emergency management capabilities as authorized by Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§ 5121 et seq.) and Section 662 of the Post Katrina Emergency Management Act (6 U.S.C. § 762).

A portion of the grant program is passed through to local jurisdictions and tribes with emergency management programs to supplement their local/tribal operating budgets to help sustain and enhance emergency management capabilities pursuant to Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 118-09.

- a. The Subrecipient shall use the EMPG funds authorized under this Agreement only to perform tasks as described in the Work Plan (Attachment D) and the Subrecipient's approved application for funding, incorporated into this Agreement.

- b. Funding may not be used to replace or supplant non-federal funding of emergency management programs.
- c. The Subrecipient shall provide a fifty percent (50%) cash match from non-federal source(s). The Federal share applied toward the EMPG budget shall not exceed fifty percent of the total budget as submitted and approved in the application and documented in the Budget (Attachment F). To meet matching requirements, the Subrecipient's cash matching contributions must be verifiable, reasonable, allowable, allocable, and necessary under the grant program and must comply with all state and Federal requirements and regulations, including, but not limited to, 2 CFR Part 200. An appropriate mechanism must be in place to capture, track, and document matching funds.
- d. To gather data for the required FEMA deliverables (i.e., Stakeholder Preparedness Review [SPR], Threat Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment [THIRA]), EMD is continuing the pilot of the three-year County Emergency Preparedness Assessment (CEPA) process with workshops occurring in a third of the 39 counties each calendar year 2024-2026. All Subrecipients that have not completed a CEPA workshop in calendar year 2024 or 2025, **must** participate in and complete a CEPA workshop located in their county in calendar year 2026 to receive EMPG funding.
- e. Subrecipients shall participate in the State's Integrated Preparedness Planning Workshop (IPPW). Non-participation may result in withholding funding under future grant years.
- f. If funding is allocated to non-FEMA training, the Subrecipient must request **prior** written approval from the Department Key Personnel before attending the training. The Department will coordinate approval with the State Training Point of Contact. Pursuant to DHS/FEMA Grant Programs Directorate Information Bulletin No. 432, Review and Approval Requirements for Training Courses Funded Through Preparedness Grants, https://www.fema.gov/sites/default/files/2020-04/Training_Course_Review_and_Approval_IB_Final_7_19_18.pdf, the training must fall within the FEMA mission scope and be in alignment with the Subrecipient's Emergency Operations Plan. This requirement only applies to training courses and does not include attendance at conferences. Furthermore, additional federal approvals are required for courses that relate to Countering Violent Extremism prior to attendance.
- g. All personnel funded under this Agreement shall complete and record proof of completion of:
 - i. NIMS training Independent Study (IS): IS-100, IS-200, IS-700, and IS-800, and
 - ii. **Either** the FEMA Professional Development Series (PDS) IS-120, IS-230, IS-235, IS-240, IS-241, IS-242, and IS-244, **or** the Emergency Management Professionals Program (EMPP) Basic Academy IS-230, E/L101, E/L 102, E/L103, E/L104 and E/L105.

C. DHS TERMS AND CONDITIONS

As a Subrecipient of 25EMPG funding, the Subrecipient shall comply with all applicable DHS terms and conditions of the 25EMPG Award Letter and its incorporated documents for the Grant, which are incorporated and made a part of this Agreement as Attachment C.

**Washington State Military Department
GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS
Department of Homeland Security (DHS)/
Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)
Grants**

A.1 DEFINITIONS

As used throughout this Agreement, the terms will have the same meaning as defined in 2 CFR 200 Subpart A (which is incorporated herein by reference), except as otherwise set forth below:

- a. **"Agreement"** means this Grant Agreement.
- b. **"Department"** means the Washington State Military Department, as a state agency, any division, section, office, unit or other entity of the Department, or any of the officers or other officials lawfully representing that Department. The Department is a recipient of a federal award directly from a federal awarding agency and is the pass-through entity making a subaward to a Subrecipient under this Agreement.
- c. **"Monitoring Activities"** means all administrative, financial, or other review activities that are conducted to ensure compliance with all state and federal laws, rules, regulations, authorities, and policies.
- d. **"Subrecipient"** when capitalized is primarily used throughout this Agreement in reference to the non-federal entity identified on the Face Sheet of this Agreement that has received a subaward from the Department. However, the definition of "Subrecipient" is the same as in 2 CFR 200.1 for all other purposes.

A.2 ADVANCE PAYMENTS PROHIBITED

The Department shall make no payments in advance or in anticipation of goods or services to be provided under this Agreement. The Subrecipient shall not invoice the Department in advance of delivery and invoicing of such goods or services.

A.3 AMENDMENTS AND MODIFICATIONS

The Subrecipient or the Department may request, in writing, an amendment or modification of this Agreement. However, such amendment or modification shall not be binding, take effect or be incorporated herein until made in writing and signed by the authorized representatives of the Department and the Subrecipient. No other understandings or agreements, written or oral, shall be binding on the parties.

The Agreement performance period shall only be extended by (1) written notification of DHS/FEMA approval of the Award performance period, followed up with a mutually agreed written amendment, or (2) written notification from the Department to the Subrecipient to provide additional time for completion of the Subrecipient's project(s).

A.4 AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA) OF 1990, PUBLIC LAW 101-336, 42 U.S.C. 12101 ET SEQ. AND ITS IMPLEMENTING REGULATIONS ALSO REFERRED TO AS THE "ADA" 28 CFR Part 35.

Except as provided herein, the Subrecipient must comply with the ADA, which provides comprehensive civil rights protection to individuals with disabilities in the areas of employment, public accommodations, state and local government services, and telecommunication. If the ADA does not apply to the Subrecipient because the Subrecipient is a federal recognized Indian Tribe, then the acceptance by the Tribe of, or acquiescence to, these General Terms and Conditions does not change or alter its inapplicability to the Indian Tribe. The execution of grant documents is not intended to change, alter, amend, or impose additional liability or responsibility upon the Tribe where it does not already exist.

A.5 ASSURANCES

The Department and Subrecipient agree that all activity pursuant to this Agreement will be in accordance with all the applicable current federal, state and local laws, rules and regulations.

A.6 CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, OR INELIGIBILITY

As federal funds are a basis for this Agreement, the Subrecipient certifies that the Subrecipient is not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participating in this Agreement by any federal department or agency.

The Subrecipient shall complete, sign, and return a *Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility, and Voluntary Exclusion* form located at <https://mil.wa.gov/requiredgrantforms>. Any such form completed by the Subrecipient for this Agreement shall be incorporated into this Agreement by reference.

Further, the Subrecipient agrees to comply with all applicable federal regulations concerning the federal debarment and suspension system, including 2 CFR Part 180. The Subrecipient certifies that it will ensure that potential contractors or subrecipients or any of their principals are not debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in "covered transactions" by any federal department or agency. "Covered transactions" include procurement contracts for goods or services awarded under a non-procurement transaction (e.g., grant or cooperative agreement) that are expected to equal or exceed \$25,000, and subawards to subrecipients for any amount. With respect to covered transactions, the Subrecipient may comply with this provision by obtaining a certification statement from the potential contractor or subrecipient or by checking the System for Award Management (<https://sam.gov/SAM/>) maintained by the federal government. The Subrecipient also agrees not to enter into any arrangements or contracts with any party on the Washington State Department of Labor and Industries' "Debarred Contractor List" (<https://secure.lni.wa.gov/debarandstrike/ContractorDebarList.aspx>). The Subrecipient also agrees not to enter into any agreements or contracts for the purchase of goods and services with any party on the Department of Enterprise Services' *Debarred Vendor List* (<https://www.des.wa.gov/services/contracting-purchasing/doing-business-state/vendor-debarment>).

A.7 CERTIFICATION REGARDING RESTRICTIONS ON LOBBYING

As required by 44 CFR Part 18, the Subrecipient hereby certifies that to the best of its knowledge and belief: (1) no federally appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid by or on behalf of the Subrecipient to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any federal contract, the making of any federal grant, the making of any federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement; (2) that if any funds other than federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Agreement, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the Subrecipient will complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions; (3) and that, as applicable, the Subrecipient will require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all Subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly. This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into and is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by 31 U.S.C. 1352.

A.8 COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE STATUTES, RULES AND DEPARTMENT POLICIES

The Subrecipient and all its contractors and subrecipients shall comply with, and the Department is not responsible for determining compliance with, any and all applicable federal, state, and local laws, regulations, executive orders, OMB Circulars, and/or policies. This obligation includes, but is not limited to: nondiscrimination laws and/or policies, Energy Policy and Conservation Act (PL 94-163, as amended), the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), Age Discrimination Act of 1975, Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Civil Rights Act of 1968, the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, (PL 93-288, as amended), Ethics in Public Service (RCW 42.52), Covenant Against Contingent Fees (48 CFR Section 52.203-5), Public Records Act (RCW 42.56), Prevailing Wages on Public Works (RCW 39.12), State Environmental Policy Act (RCW 43.21C), Shoreline Management Act of 1971 (RCW 90.58), State Building Code (RCW 19.27), Energy Related Building Standards (RCW 19.27A), Provisions in Buildings for Aged and Handicapped Persons (RCW 70.92), and safety and health regulations.

In the event of noncompliance or refusal to comply with any applicable law, regulation, executive order, OMB Circular or policy by the Subrecipient, its contractors or subrecipients, the Department may rescind, cancel, or terminate the Agreement in whole or in part in its sole discretion. The Subrecipient is responsible for all costs or liability arising from its failure, and that of its contractors and subrecipients, to comply with applicable laws, regulations, executive orders, OMB Circulars or policies.

A.9 CONFLICT OF INTEREST

No officer or employee of the Department; no member, officer, or employee of the Subrecipient or its designees or agents; no member of the governing body of the jurisdiction in which the project is undertaken or located; and no other official of the Subrecipient who exercises any functions or responsibilities with respect to the project during his or her tenure, shall have any personal or pecuniary gain or interest, direct or indirect, in any contract, subcontract, or the proceeds thereof, for work to be performed in connection with the project assisted under this Agreement.

The Subrecipient shall incorporate, or cause to incorporate, in all such contracts or subawards, a provision prohibiting such interest pursuant to this provision.

A.10 CONTRACTING & PROCUREMENT

a. The Subrecipient shall use a competitive procurement process in the procurement and award of any contracts with contractors or subcontractors that are entered into under the original agreement award. The procurement process followed shall be in accordance with 2 CFR Part 200.318, General procurement standards, through 200.327, Contract provisions.

As required by Appendix II to 2 CFR Part 200, all contracts entered into by the Subrecipient under this Agreement must include the following provisions, as applicable:

- 1) Contracts for more than the simplified acquisition threshold, which is the inflation adjusted amount determined by the Civilian Agency Acquisition Council and the Defense Acquisition Regulations Council (Councils) as authorized by 41 U.S.C. 1908, must address administrative, contractual, or legal remedies in instances where contractors violate or breach contract terms, and provide for such sanctions and penalties as appropriate.
- 2) All contracts in excess of \$10,000 must address termination for cause and for convenience by the non-federal entity including the manner by which it will be effected and the basis for settlement.
- 3) Equal Employment Opportunity. Except as otherwise provided under 41 CFR Part 60, all contracts that meet the definition of "federally assisted construction contract" in 41 CFR Part 60-1.3 must include the equal opportunity clause provided under 41 CFR 60-1.4(b), in accordance with Executive Order 11246, "*Equal Employment Opportunity*" (30 FR 12319, 12935, 3 CFR Part, 1964-1965 Comp., p. 339), as amended by Executive Order 11375, "*Amending Executive Order 11246 Relating to Equal Employment Opportunity*," and implementing regulations at 41 CFR part 60, "*Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Equal Employment Opportunity, Department of Labor*."
- 4) Davis-Bacon Act, as amended (40 U.S.C. 3141-3148). When required by Federal program legislation, all prime construction contracts in excess of \$2,000 awarded by non-federal entities must include a provision for compliance with the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. 3141-3144, and 3146-3148) as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 5, "*Labor Standards Provisions Applicable to Contracts Covering Federally Financed and Assisted Construction*"). In accordance with the statute, contractors must be required to pay wages to laborers and mechanics at a rate not less than the prevailing wages specified in a wage determination made by the Secretary of Labor. In addition, contractors must be required to pay wages not less than once a week. The non-federal entity must place a copy of the current prevailing wage determination issued by the Department of Labor in each solicitation. The decision to award a contract or subcontract must be conditioned upon the acceptance of the wage determination. The non-federal entity must report all suspected or reported violations to the federal awarding agency. The contracts must also include a provision for compliance with the Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act (40 U.S.C. 3145), as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 3, "*Contractors and Subcontractors on Public Building or Public Work Financed in Whole or in Part by Loans or Grants from the United States*"). The Act provides that each contractor or Subrecipient must

be prohibited from inducing, by any means, any person employed in the construction, completion, or repair of public work, to give up any part of the compensation to which he or she is otherwise entitled. The non-federal entity must report all suspected or reported violations to the federal awarding agency.

- 5) Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 3701-3708). Where applicable, all contracts awarded by the non-federal entity in excess of \$100,000 that involve the employment of mechanics or laborers must include a provision for compliance with 40 U.S.C. 3702 and 3704, as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 5). Under 40 U.S.C. 3702 of the Act, each contractor must be required to compute the wages of every mechanic and laborer on the basis of a standard work week of 40 hours. Work in excess of the standard work week is permissible provided that the worker is compensated at a rate of not less than one and a half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of 40 hours in the work week. The requirements of 40 U.S.C. 3704 are applicable to construction work and provide that no laborer or mechanic must be required to work in surroundings or under working conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous or dangerous. These requirements do not apply to the purchases of supplies or materials or articles ordinarily available on the open market, or contracts for transportation or transmission of intelligence.
- 6) Rights to Inventions Made Under a Contract or Agreement. If the federal award meets the definition of "funding agreement" under 37 CFR §401.2 (a) and the recipient or Subrecipient wishes to enter into a contract with a small business firm or nonprofit organization regarding the substitution of parties, assignment or performance of experimental, developmental, or research work under that "funding agreement," the recipient or Subrecipient must comply with the requirements of 37 CFR Part 401, "*Rights to Inventions Made by Nonprofit Organizations and Small Business Firms Under Government Grants, Contracts and Cooperative Agreements*," and any implementing regulations issued by the awarding agency.
- 7) Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q.) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1251-1387), as amended—Contracts and subgrants of amounts in excess of \$150,000 must contain a provision that requires the non-federal award to agree to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act as amended (33 U.S.C. 1251-1387). Violations must be reported to the federal awarding agency and the Regional Office of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).
- 8) Debarment and Suspension (Executive Orders 12549 and 12689)—A contract award (see 2 CFR 180.220) must not be made to parties listed on the government-wide exclusions in the System for Award Management (SAM), in accordance with the OMB guidelines at 2 CFR 180 that implement Executive Orders 12549 (3 CFR part 1986 Comp., p. 189) and 12689 (3 CFR part 1989 Comp., p. 235), "*Debarment and Suspension*." SAM Exclusions contains the names of parties debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded by agencies, as well as parties declared ineligible under statutory or regulatory authority other than Executive Order 12549.
- 9) Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment (31 U.S.C. 1352)—Contractors that apply or bid for an award exceeding \$100,000 must file the required certification. Each tier certifies to the tier above that it will not and has not used federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with obtaining any federal contract, grant or any other award covered by 31 U.S.C. 1352. Each tier must also disclose any lobbying with non-federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any federal award. Such disclosures are forwarded from tier to tier up to the non-federal award.
- 10) Procurement of recovered materials -- As required by 2 CFR 200.323, a non-federal entity that is a state agency or agency of a political subdivision of a state and its contractors must comply with section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act. The requirements of Section 6002 include procuring only items designated in guidelines of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) at 40 CFR part 247 that contain the highest percentage of recovered materials practicable, consistent with maintaining a satisfactory level of competition, where the purchase price of the item exceeds

\$10,000 or the value of the quantity acquired during the preceding fiscal year exceeded \$10,000; procuring solid waste management services in a manner that maximizes energy and resource recovery; and establishing an affirmative procurement program for procurement of recovered materials identified in the EPA guidelines.

- 11) Notice of federal awarding agency requirements and regulations pertaining to reporting.
 - 12) Federal awarding agency requirements and regulations pertaining to copyrights and rights in data.
 - 13) Access by the Department, the Subrecipient, the federal awarding agency, the Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their duly authorized representatives to any books, documents, papers, and records of the contractor which are directly pertinent to that specific contract for the purpose of making audit, examination, excerpts, and transcriptions.
 - 14) Retention of all required records for six (6) years after the Subrecipient has made final payments and all other pending matters are closed.
 - 15) Mandatory standards and policies relating to energy efficiency which are contained in the state energy conservation plan issued in compliance with the Energy Policy and Conservation Act (Pub. L. 94-163, 89 Stat. 871).
 - 16) Pursuant to Executive Order 13858 "*Strengthening Buy-American Preferences for Infrastructure Projects*," and as appropriate and to the extent consistent with law, the Subrecipient should, to the greatest extent practicable under a Federal award, provide a preference for the purchase, acquisition, or use of goods, products, or materials produced in the United States, as required in 2 CFR Part 200.322, in every contract, subcontract, purchase order, or sub-award that is chargeable against federal financial assistance awards.
 - 17) Per 2 C.F.R. § 200.216, prohibitions regarding certain telecommunications and video surveillance services or equipment are mandated by *section 889 of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019 (FY 2019 NDAA), Pub. L. No. 115-232 (2018)*.
- b. The Department reserves the right to review the Subrecipient's procurement plans and documents and require the Subrecipient to make changes to bring its plans and documents into compliance with the requirements of 2 CFR Part 200.317 through 200.327. The Subrecipient must ensure that its procurement process requires contractors and subcontractors to provide adequate documentation with sufficient detail to support the costs of the project and to allow both the Subrecipient and Department to make a determination on eligibility of project costs.
- c. All contracting agreements entered into pursuant to this Agreement shall incorporate this Agreement by reference.

A.11 DISCLOSURE

The use or disclosure by any party of any information concerning the Department for any purpose not directly connected with the administration of the Department's or the Subrecipient's responsibilities with respect to services provided under this Agreement is prohibited except by prior written consent of the Department or as required to comply with the state Public Records Act, other law or court order.

A.12 DISPUTES

Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, when a bona fide dispute arises between the parties and it cannot be resolved through discussion and negotiation, either party may request a dispute resolution board to resolve the dispute. A request for a dispute resolution board shall be in writing, state the disputed issues, state the relative positions of the parties, and be sent to all parties. The board shall consist of a representative appointed by the Department, a representative appointed by the Subrecipient, and a third party mutually agreed upon by both parties. The determination of the dispute resolution board shall be final and binding on the parties hereto. Each party shall bear the cost for its member of the dispute resolution board and its attorney fees and costs and share equally the cost of the third board member.

A.13 LEGAL RELATIONS

It is understood and agreed that this Agreement is solely for the benefit of the parties to the Agreement and gives no right to any other party. No joint venture or partnership is formed as a result of this Agreement.

To the extent allowed by law, the Subrecipient, its successors or assigns, will protect, save and hold harmless the Department, the state of Washington, and the United States Government and their authorized agents and employees, from all claims, actions, costs, damages or expenses of any nature whatsoever by reason of the acts or omissions of the Subrecipient, its subcontractors, subrecipients, assigns, agents, contractors, consultants, licensees, invitees, employees or any person whomsoever arising out of or in connection with any acts or activities authorized by this Agreement.

To the extent allowed by law, the Subrecipient further agrees to defend the Department and the state of Washington and their authorized agents and employees in any litigation; including payment of any costs or attorneys' fees for any claims or action commenced thereon arising out of or in connection with acts or activities authorized by this Agreement.

This obligation shall not include such claims, costs, damages or expenses which may be caused by the sole negligence of the Department; provided, that if the claims or damages are caused by or result from the concurrent negligence of (1) the Department, and (2) the Subrecipient, its agents, or employees, this indemnity provision shall be valid and enforceable only to the extent of the negligence of the Subrecipient, or the Subrecipient's agents or employees.

Insofar as the funding source, FEMA is an agency of the Federal government, the following shall apply:

44 CFR 206.9 Non-liability. The Federal government shall not be liable for any claim based upon the exercise or performance of, or the failure to exercise or perform a discretionary function or duty on the part of a federal agency or an employee of the Federal government in carrying out the provisions of the Stafford Act.

A.14 LIMITATION OF AUTHORITY – AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE

The signatories to this Agreement represent that they have the authority to bind their respective organizations to this Agreement. Only the Department's Authorized Signature representative and the Authorized Signature representative of the Subrecipient or Alternate for the Subrecipient, formally designated in writing, shall have the express, implied, or apparent authority to alter, amend, modify, or waive any clause or condition of this Agreement. Any alteration, amendment, modification, or waiver of any clause or condition of this Agreement is not effective or binding unless made in writing and signed by both parties' Authorized Signature representatives, except as provided for time extensions in Article A.3.

Further, only the Authorized Signature representative or Alternate for the Subrecipient shall have signature authority to sign reimbursement requests, time extension requests, amendment and modification requests, requests for changes to projects or work plans, and other requests, certifications and documents authorized by or required under this Agreement.

A.15 LOSS OR REDUCTION OF FUNDING

In the event funding from state, federal, or other sources is withdrawn, reduced, or limited in any way after the effective date of this Agreement and prior to normal completion or end date, the Department may unilaterally reduce the work plan and budget or unilaterally terminate all or part of the Agreement as a "Termination for Cause" without providing the Subrecipient an opportunity to cure. Alternatively, the parties may renegotiate the terms of this Agreement under "Amendments and Modifications" to comply with new funding limitations and conditions, although the Department has no obligation to do so.

A.16 NONASSIGNABILITY

Neither this Agreement, nor any claim arising under this Agreement, shall be transferred or assigned by the Subrecipient.

A.17 NONDISCRIMINATION

During the performance of this agreement, the Subrecipient shall comply with all federal and state nondiscrimination statutes and regulations. These requirements include, but are not limited to:

- a. Nondiscrimination in Employment: The Subrecipient shall not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, sex, sexual orientation, religion, national origin, creed, marital status, age, Vietnam era or disabled veteran status, or the presence of any sensory,

mental, or physical handicap. This requirement does not apply, however, to a religious corporation, association, educational institution or society with respect to the employment of individuals of a particular religion to perform work connected with the carrying on by such corporation, association, educational institution or society of its activities.

- b. The Subrecipient shall take action to ensure that employees are employed and treated during employment without discrimination because of their race, color, sex, sexual orientation religion, national origin, creed, marital status, age, Vietnam era or disabled veteran status, or the presence of any sensory, mental, or physical handicap. Such action shall include, but not be limited to, the following: Employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer, recruitment or recruitment selection for training, including apprenticeships and volunteers.

A.18 NOTICES

The Subrecipient shall comply with all public notices or notices to individuals required by applicable local, state and federal laws and regulations and shall maintain a record of this compliance.

A.19 OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY/HEALTH ACT and WASHINGTON INDUSTRIAL SAFETY/HEALTH ACT (OSHA/WISHA)

The Subrecipient represents and warrants that its workplace does now or will meet all applicable federal and state safety and health regulations that are in effect during the Subrecipient's performance under this Agreement. To the extent allowed by law, the Subrecipient further agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Department and its employees and agents from all liability, damages and costs of any nature, including, but not limited to, costs of suits and attorneys' fees assessed against the Department, as a result of the failure of the Subrecipient to so comply.

A.20 OWNERSHIP OF PROJECT/CAPITAL FACILITIES

The Department makes no claim to any capital facilities or real property improved or constructed with funds under this Agreement, and by this subaward of funds does not and will not acquire any ownership interest or title to such property of the Subrecipient. The Subrecipient shall assume all liabilities and responsibilities arising from the ownership and operation of the project and agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold the Department, the state of Washington, and the United States government harmless from any and all causes of action arising from the ownership and operation of the project.

A.21 POLITICAL ACTIVITY

No portion of the funds provided herein shall be used for any partisan political activity or to further the election or defeat of any candidate for public office or influence the approval or defeat of any ballot issue.

A.22 PROHIBITION AGAINST PAYMENT OF BONUS OR COMMISSION

The assistance provided under this Agreement shall not be used in payment of any bonus or commission for the purpose of obtaining approval of the application for such assistance or any other approval or concurrence under this Agreement provided, however, that reasonable fees or bona fide technical consultant, managerial, or other such services, other than actual solicitation, are not hereby prohibited if otherwise eligible as project costs.

A.23 PUBLICITY

The Subrecipient agrees to submit to the Department prior to issuance all advertising and publicity matters relating to this Agreement wherein the Department's name is mentioned, or language used from which the connection of the Department's name may, in the Department's judgment, be inferred or implied. The Subrecipient agrees not to publish or use such advertising and publicity matters without the prior written consent of the Department. The Subrecipient may copyright original work it develops in the course of or under this Agreement; however, pursuant to 2 CFR Part 200.315, FEMA reserves a royalty-free, nonexclusive, and irrevocable license to reproduce, publish or otherwise use, and to authorize others to use the work for government purposes.

Publication resulting from work performed under this Agreement shall include an acknowledgement of FEMA's financial support, by the Assistance Listings Number (formerly CFDA Number), and a statement that the publication does not constitute an endorsement by FEMA or reflect FEMA's views.

A.24 RECAPTURE PROVISION

In the event the Subrecipient fails to expend funds under this Agreement in accordance with applicable federal, state, and local laws, regulations, and/or the provisions of the Agreement, the Department reserves the right to recapture funds in an amount equivalent to the extent of noncompliance. Such right

of recapture shall exist for the life of the project following Agreement termination. Repayment by the Subrecipient of funds under this recapture provision shall occur within 30 days of demand. In the event the Department is required to institute legal proceedings to enforce the recapture provision, the Department shall be entitled to its costs and expenses thereof, including attorney fees from the Subrecipient.

A.25 RECORDS

- a. The Subrecipient agrees to maintain all books, records, documents, receipts, invoices and all other electronic or written records necessary to sufficiently and properly reflect the Subrecipient's contracts, subawards, grant administration, and payments, including all direct and indirect charges, and expenditures in the performance of this Agreement (the "records").
- b. The Subrecipient's records related to this Agreement and the projects funded may be inspected and audited by the Department or its designee, by the Office of the State Auditor, DHS, FEMA or their designees, by the Comptroller General of the United States or its designees, or by other state or federal officials authorized by law, for the purposes of determining compliance by the Subrecipient with the terms of this Agreement and to determine the appropriate level of funding to be paid under the Agreement.
- c. The records shall be made available by the Subrecipient for such inspection and audit, together with suitable space for such purpose, at any and all times during the Subrecipient's normal working day.
- d. The Subrecipient shall retain and allow access to all records related to this Agreement and the funded project(s) for a period of at least six (6) years following final payment and closure of the grant under this Agreement. Despite the minimum federal retention requirement of three (3) years, the more stringent State requirement of six (6) years must be followed.

A.26 RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT/STATEMENT OF WORK/WORK PLAN

While the Department undertakes to assist the Subrecipient with the project/statement of work/work plan (project) by providing federal award funds pursuant to this Agreement, the project itself remains the sole responsibility of the Subrecipient. The Department undertakes no responsibility to the Subrecipient, or to any third party, other than as is expressly set out in this Agreement.

The responsibility for the design, development, construction, implementation, operation and maintenance of the project, as these phrases are applicable to this project, is solely that of the Subrecipient, as is responsibility for any claim or suit of any nature by any third party related in any way to the project.

Prior to the start of any construction activity, the Subrecipient shall ensure that all applicable federal, state, and local permits and clearances are obtained, including, but not limited to, FEMA compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act, the National Historic Preservation Act, the Endangered Species Act, and all other environmental laws, regulations, and executive orders.

The Subrecipient shall defend, at its own cost, any and all claims or suits at law or in equity, which may be brought against the Subrecipient in connection with the project. The Subrecipient shall not look to the Department, or to any state or federal agency, or to any of their employees or agents, for any performance, assistance, or any payment or indemnity, including, but not limited to, cost of defense and/or attorneys' fees, in connection with any claim or lawsuit brought by any third party related to any design, development, construction, implementation, operation and/or maintenance of a project.

A.27 SEVERABILITY

If any court of rightful jurisdiction holds any provision or condition under this Agreement or its application to any person or circumstances invalid, this invalidity does not affect other provisions, terms or conditions of the Agreement, which can be given effect without the invalid provision. To this end, the terms and conditions of this Agreement are declared severable.

A.28 SINGLE AUDIT ACT REQUIREMENTS (including all AMENDMENTS)

The Subrecipient shall comply with and include the following audit requirements in any subawards.

Subrecipients of a federal award, that expend **\$1,000,000** or more in one fiscal year of federal funds from all sources, direct and indirect, are required to have a single or a program-specific audit conducted in accordance with 2 CFR Part 200 Subpart F. Subrecipients that spend less than **\$1,000,000** a year in federal awards are exempt from federal audit requirements for that year, except as noted in 2 CFR Part

200 Subpart F. As defined in 2 CFR Part 200, the term "subrecipient" means an entity that receives a subaward from a pass-through entity to carry out part of a federal award.

Subrecipients that are required to have an audit must ensure the audit is performed in accordance with Generally Accepted Government Auditing Standards (GAGAS) as found in the Government Auditing Standards (the Revised Yellow Book) developed by the United States Comptroller General and the OMB Compliance Supplement. The Subrecipient has the responsibility of notifying its auditor and requesting an audit in compliance with 2 CFR Part 200 Subpart F, to include the Washington State Auditor's Office, a federal auditor, or a public accountant performing work using GAGAS, as appropriate. Costs of the audit may be an allowable grant expenditure as authorized by 2 CFR Part 200.425.

The Subrecipient shall maintain auditable records and accounts so as to facilitate the audit requirement and shall ensure that any subcontractors also maintain auditable records. The Subrecipient is responsible for any audit exceptions incurred by its own organization or that of its subcontractors. Responses to any unresolved management findings and disallowed or questioned costs shall be included with the audit report. The Subrecipient must respond to Department requests for information or corrective action concerning audit issues or findings within 30 days of the date of request. The Department reserves the right to recover from the Subrecipient all disallowed costs resulting from the audit.

After the single audit has been completed, and if it includes any audit findings, the Subrecipient must send a full copy of the audit and its Corrective Action Plan to the Department at the following address no later than nine (9) months after the end of the Subrecipient's fiscal year(s):

**Contracts Office
Washington Military Department
Finance Division, Building #1 TA-20
Camp Murray, WA 98430-5032**

OR

Contracts.Office@mil.wa.gov

The Department retains the sole discretion to determine whether a valid claim for an exemption from the audit requirements of this provision has been established.

Conducting a single or program-specific audit in compliance with 2 CFR Part 200 Subpart F is a material requirement of this Agreement. In the absence of a valid claim of exemption from the audit requirements of 2 CFR Part 200 Subpart F, the Subrecipient's failure to comply with said audit requirements may result in one or more of the following actions in the Department's sole discretion: a percentage of federal awards being withheld until the audit is completed in accordance with 2 CFR Part 200 Subpart F; the withholding or disallowing of overhead costs; the suspension of federal awards until the audit is conducted and submitted; or termination of the federal award.

A.29 SUBRECIPIENT NOT EMPLOYEE

The Subrecipient, and/or employees or agents performing under this Agreement, are not employees or agents of the Department in any manner whatsoever. The Subrecipient will not be presented as nor claim to be an officer or employee of the Department or of the state of Washington by reason hereof, nor will the Subrecipient make any claim, demand, or application to or for any right, privilege or benefit applicable to an officer or employee of the Department or of the state of Washington, including, but not limited to, Workers' Compensation coverage, unemployment insurance benefits, social security benefits, retirement membership or credit, or privilege or benefit which would accrue to a civil service employee under Chapter 41.06 RCW; OFM Reg. 4.3.1.1.8.

It is understood that if the Subrecipient is another state department, state agency, state university, state college, state community college, state board, or state commission, that the officers and employees are employed by the state of Washington in their own right.

If the Subrecipient is an individual currently employed by a Washington State agency, the Department shall obtain proper approval from the employing agency or institution before entering into this contract. A statement of "no conflict of interest" shall be submitted to the Department.

A.30 TAXES, FEES AND LICENSES

Unless otherwise provided in this Agreement, the Subrecipient shall be responsible for, pay and maintain in current status all taxes, unemployment contributions, fees, licenses, assessments, permit charges and

expenses of any other kind for the Subrecipient or its staff required by statute or regulation that are applicable to Agreement performance.

A.31 TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE

Notwithstanding any provisions of this Agreement, the Subrecipient may terminate this Agreement by providing written notice of such termination to the Department Key Personnel identified in the Agreement, specifying the effective date thereof, at least thirty (30) days prior to such date.

Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, the Department, in its sole discretion and in the best interests of the state of Washington, may terminate this Agreement in whole or in part ten (10) business days after emailing notice. Upon notice of termination for convenience, the Department reserves the right to suspend all or part of the Agreement, withhold further payments, or prohibit the Subrecipient from incurring additional obligations of funds. In the event of termination, the Subrecipient shall be liable for all damages as authorized by law. The rights and remedies of the Department provided for in this section shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law.

A.32 TERMINATION OR SUSPENSION FOR LOSS OF FUNDING

The Department may unilaterally terminate or suspend all or part of this Grant Agreement, or may reduce its scope of work and budget, if there is a reduction in funds by the source of those funds, and if such funds are the basis for this Grant Agreement. The Department will email the Subrecipient ten (10) business days prior to termination.

A.33 TERMINATION OR SUSPENSION FOR CAUSE

In the event the Department, in its sole discretion, determines the Subrecipient has failed to fulfill in a timely and proper manner its obligations under this Agreement, is in an unsound financial condition so as to endanger performance hereunder, is in violation of any laws or regulations that render the Subrecipient unable to perform any aspect of the Agreement, or has violated any of the covenants, agreements or stipulations of this Agreement, the Department has the right to immediately suspend or terminate this Agreement in whole or in part.

The Department may notify the Subrecipient in writing of the need to take corrective action and provide a period of time in which to cure. The Department is not required to allow the Subrecipient an opportunity to cure if it is not feasible as determined solely within the Department's discretion. Any time allowed for cure shall not diminish or eliminate the Subrecipient's liability for damages or otherwise affect any other remedies available to the Department. If the Department allows the Subrecipient an opportunity to cure, the Department shall notify the Subrecipient in writing of the need to take corrective action. If the corrective action is not taken within ten (10) calendar days or as otherwise specified by the Department, or if such corrective action is deemed by the Department to be insufficient, the Agreement may be terminated in whole or in part.

The Department reserves the right to suspend all or part of the Agreement, withhold further payments, or prohibit the Subrecipient from incurring additional obligations of funds during investigation of the alleged compliance breach, pending corrective action by the Subrecipient, if allowed, or pending a decision by the Department to terminate the Agreement in whole or in part.

In the event of termination, the Subrecipient shall be liable for all damages as authorized by law, including, but not limited to, any cost difference between the original Agreement and the replacement or cover Agreement and all administrative costs directly related to the replacement Agreement, e.g., cost of administering the competitive solicitation process, mailing, advertising and other associated staff time. The rights and remedies of the Department provided for in this section shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law.

If it is determined that the Subrecipient: (1) was not in default or material breach, or (2) failure to perform was outside of the Subrecipient's control, fault or negligence, the termination shall be deemed to be a termination for convenience.

A.34 TERMINATION PROCEDURES

In addition to the procedures set forth below, if the Department terminates this Agreement, the Subrecipient shall follow any procedures specified in the termination notice. Upon termination of this Agreement and in addition to any other rights provided in this Agreement, the Department may require the Subrecipient to deliver to the Department any property specifically produced or acquired for the performance of such part of this Agreement as has been terminated.

If the termination is for convenience, the Department shall pay to the Subrecipient as an agreed upon price, if separately stated, for properly authorized and completed work and services rendered or goods delivered to and accepted by the Department prior to the effective date of Agreement termination, the amount agreed upon by the Subrecipient and the Department for (i) completed work and services and/or equipment or supplies provided for which no separate price is stated, (ii) partially completed work and services and/or equipment or supplies provided which are accepted by the Department, (iii) other work, services and/or equipment or supplies which are accepted by the Department, and (iv) the protection and preservation of property.

Failure to agree with such amounts shall be a dispute within the meaning of the "Disputes" clause of this Agreement. If the termination is for cause, the Department shall determine the extent of the liability of the Department. The Department shall have no other obligation to the Subrecipient for termination. The Department may withhold from any amounts due the Subrecipient such sum as the Department determines to be necessary to protect the Department against potential loss or liability.

The rights and remedies of the Department provided in this Agreement shall not be exclusive and are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law.

After receipt of a notice of termination, and except as otherwise directed by the Department in writing, the Subrecipient shall:

- a. Stop work under the Agreement on the date, and to the extent specified, in the notice;
- b. Place no further orders or contracts for materials, services, supplies, equipment and/or facilities in relation to this Agreement except as may be necessary for completion of such portion of the work under the Agreement as is not terminated;
- c. Assign to the Department, in the manner, at the times, and to the extent directed by the Department, all of the rights, title, and interest of the Subrecipient under the orders and contracts so terminated, in which case the Department has the right, at its discretion, to settle or pay any or all claims arising out of the termination of such orders and contracts;
- d. Settle all outstanding liabilities and all claims arising out of such termination of orders and contracts, with the approval or ratification of the Department to the extent the Department may require, which approval or ratification shall be final for all the purposes of this clause;
- e. Transfer title to the Department and deliver in the manner, at the times, and to the extent directed by the Department any property which, if the Agreement had been completed, would have been required to be furnished to the Department;
- f. Complete performance of such part of the work as shall not have been terminated by the Department in compliance with all contractual requirements; and
- g. Take such action as may be necessary, or as the Department may require, for the protection and preservation of the property related to this Agreement which is in the possession of the Subrecipient and in which the Department has or may acquire an interest.

A.35 MINORITY AND WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRISES

In accordance with the legislative findings and policies set forth in Chapter 39.19 RCW, the state of Washington encourages participation in all its contracts by MWBE firms certified by the Office of Minority and Women's Business Enterprises (OMWBE). To the extent possible, the Subrecipient will solicit and encourage minority-owned and women-owned business enterprises who are certified by the OMWBE under the state of Washington certification program to apply and compete for work under this contract. Voluntary numerical MWBE participation goals have been established and are indicated herein: Minority Business Enterprises: (MBEs): 10% and Woman's Business Enterprises (WBEs): 6%.

A.36 VENUE

This Agreement shall be construed and enforced in accordance with, and the validity and performance shall be governed by, the laws of the state of Washington. Except for as provided herein, venue of any suit between the parties arising out of this Agreement shall be the Superior Court of Thurston County, Washington, and the Subrecipient, by execution of this Agreement, acknowledges the jurisdiction of the courts of the state of Washington. Provides, that if the Subrecipient is a federally recognized Indian Tribe, the parties agree that, in the event either party to this Agreement commences any suit relating to or arising from the Agreement, the United States District Court for the Western District of the State of Washington shall have the sole and exclusive jurisdiction over such proceeding. If the court lacks federal

subject matter jurisdiction, then the Tribe agrees to waive its sovereign immunity from suit for the limited purpose of permitting the State to enforce the terms of this Agreement in the Superior Court of Washington under Washington law, and venue for such suit shall be the Superior Court of Thurston County, Washington. This limited waiver of sovereign immunity is solely for the benefit of the State. This limited waiver of sovereign immunity shall not be for, nor shall it be construed as for, the benefit of any other person or entity, and the Tribe does not waive its immunity with respect to any action brought by, or on behalf of, any other entity or person.

A.37 WAIVERS

No conditions or provisions of this Agreement can be waived unless approved in advance by the Department in writing. The Department's failure to insist upon strict performance of any provision of the Agreement or to exercise any right based upon a breach thereof, or the acceptance of any performance during such breach, shall not constitute a waiver of any right under this Agreement.

**25EMPG Award Letter
EMS-2025-EP-05001**

Award Letter

U.S. Department of Homeland Security
Washington, D.C. 20472

Effective date: 02/06/2026



Sierra Wardell
MILITARY DEPARTMENT, WASHINGTON STATE
BUILDING 1 MILITIA DR STATE FINANCIAL SERVICES
CAMP MURRAY, WA 98430

EMS-2025-EP-05001

Dear Sierra Wardell,

Congratulations on behalf of the Department of Homeland Security, your application submitted for the Fiscal Year (FY) 2025 Emergency Management Performance Grants, has been approved in the amount of \$6,835,572.00 in Federal funding. This award of federal assistance is executed as a Grant. As a condition of this award, you are required to contribute non-Federal funds equal to or greater than \$6,835,572.00 for a total approved budget of \$13,671,144.00. Please see the Fiscal Year 2025 Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) Program for information on how to meet this cost share requirement.

Before you request and receive any of the Federal funds awarded to you, you must establish acceptance of the award through the FEMA Grants Outcomes (FEMA GO) system. By accepting this award, you acknowledge that the terms of the following documents are incorporated into the terms of your award:

- Award Summary - included in this document
- Agreement Articles - included in this document
- Obligating Document - included in this document
- Fiscal Year (FY) 2025 Emergency Management Performance Grants Notice of Funding Opportunity
- FEMA Preparedness Grants Manual

Please make sure you read, understand, and maintain a copy of these documents in your official file for this award.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "David Gudinas", is written over a light blue circular stamp.

David Gudinas

**Deputy Assistant Administrator (Acting)
Grant Programs Directorate | Resilience**

Award Summary

Program: Fiscal Year 2025 Emergency Management Performance Grant

Recipient: MILITARY DEPARTMENT, WASHINGTON STATE

UEI-EFT: D2EJRGZ2PLG8

Award number: EMS-2025-EP-05001

Summary description of award

The Fiscal Year (FY) 2025 Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) Program is one of the grant programs that constitute DHS/FEMA's focus on all-hazards emergency preparedness. These grant programs are part of a comprehensive set of measures authorized by Congress and implemented by DHS/FEMA to assist state, local, tribal, and territorial emergency management agencies to implement the National Preparedness System and the National Preparedness Goal of a secure and resilient nation

Amount awarded table

The amount of the award is detailed in the attached Obligating Document for Award.

The following are the budgeted estimates for object classes for this award (including Federal share plus your cost share, if applicable):

Object Class	Total
Personnel	\$3,715,953.00
Fringe benefits	\$1,300,430.00
Travel	\$651.00
Equipment	\$0.00
Supplies	\$4,588.00
Contractual	\$0.00
Construction	\$0.00
Other	\$8,329,454.00
Indirect charges	\$320,068.00
Federal	\$6,835,572.00
Non-federal	\$6,835,572.00
Total	\$13,671,144.00
Program Income	\$0.00

Approved scope of work

After review of your application, FEMA has approved the below scope of work. Justifications are provided for any differences between the scope of work in the original application and the approved scope of work under this award. You must submit scope or budget revision requests for FEMA's prior approval, via an amendment request, as appropriate per 2 C.F.R. § 200.308 and the FY2025 EMPG NOFO.

// due to inclusion of information with no context, pages 5-10 not included – available on request //

Of the total Federal funds, \$3417786.00 has been placed on hold. See the following terms in the Agreement Articles for more details:

Article number	Title	Payment hold
Article 55	Funding Hold: Final FY 2025 Emergency Performance Management Grant (EMPG) Work Plan	\$3417786.00

Agreement Articles

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Article 1 Assurance, Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, Representations, and Certifications
I. Recipients must complete either the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Standard Form 424B Assurances – Non- Construction Programs, or OMB Standard Form 424D Assurances – Construction Programs, as applicable. Certain assurances in these documents may not be applicable to your program and the DHS financial assistance office (DHS FAO) may require applicants to certify additional assurances. Applicants are required to fill out the assurances, as instructed.

Article 2 General Acknowledgements and Assurances
Recipients are required to follow the applicable provisions of the Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards in effect as of the federal award date and located in Title 2, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 200 and adopted by DHS at 2 C.F.R. § 3002.10. All recipients and subrecipients must acknowledge and agree to provide DHS access to records, accounts, documents, information, facilities, and staff pursuant to 2 C.F.R. § 200.337. I. Recipients must cooperate with any DHS compliance reviews or compliance investigations. II. Recipients must give DHS access to examine and copy records, accounts, and other documents and sources of information related to the federal award and permit access to facilities and personnel. III. Recipients must submit timely, complete, and accurate reports to the appropriate DHS officials and maintain appropriate backup documentation to support the reports. IV. Recipients must comply with all other special reporting, data collection, and evaluation requirements required by law, federal regulation, Notice of Funding Opportunity, federal award specific terms and conditions, and/or DHS Component program guidance. Organization costs related to data and evaluation are allowable. The definition of data and evaluation costs is in 2 C.F.R. § 200.455(c), the full text of which is incorporated by reference. V. Recipients must complete DHS Form 3095 within 60 days of receipt of the Notice of Award for the first award under which this term applies. For further instructions and to access the form, please visit: <https://www.dhs.gov/civil-rightsresources-recipients-dhs-financial-assistance>.

Article 3 Acknowledgement of Federal Funding from DHS
Recipients must acknowledge their use of federal award funding when issuing statements, press releases, requests for proposal, bid invitations, and other documents describing projects or programs funded in whole or in part with federal award funds.

- Article 4 Activities Conducted Abroad**
Recipients must coordinate with appropriate government authorities when performing project activities outside the United States obtain all appropriate licenses, permits, or approvals.
- Article 5 Age Discrimination Act of 1975**
Recipients must comply with the requirements of the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, Pub. L. No. 94-135 (codified as amended at Title 42, U.S. Code § 6101 et seq.), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age in any program or activity receiving federal financial assistance.
- Article 6 Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990**
Recipients must comply with the requirements of Titles I, II, and III of the Americans with Disabilities Act, Pub. L. No. 101-336 (1990) (codified as amended at 42 U.S.C. §§ 12101-12213), which prohibits recipients from discriminating on the basis of disability in the operation of public entities, public and private transportation systems, places of public accommodation, and certain testing entities.
- Article 7 Best Practices for Collection and Use of Personally Identifiable Information**
(1) Recipients who collect personally identifiable information (PII) as part of carrying out the scope of work under a federal award are required to have a publicly available privacy policy that describes standards on the usage and maintenance of the PII they collect. (2) Definition. DHS defines "PII" as any information that permits the identity of an individual to be directly or indirectly inferred, including any information that is linked or linkable to that individual. Recipients may also find the DHS Privacy Impact Assessments: Privacy Guidance and Privacy Template as useful resources respectively.

Article 8**CHIPS and Science Act of 2022, Public Law 117-167 CHIPS**

(1) Recipients of DHS research and development (R&D) awards must report to the DHS Component research program office any finding or determination of sex based and sexual harassment and/or an administrative or disciplinary action taken against principal investigators or co-investigators to be completed by an authorized organizational representative (AOR) at the recipient institution. (2) Notification. An AOR must disclose the following information to agencies within 10 days of the date/the finding is made, or 10 days from when a recipient imposes an administrative action on the reported individual, whichever is sooner. Reports should include: (a) Award number, (b) Name of PI or Co-PI being reported, (c) Awardee name, (d) Awardee address, (e) AOR name, title, phone, and email address, (f) Indication of the report type: (i) Finding or determination has been made that the reported individual violated awardee policies or codes of conduct, statutes, or regulations related to sexual harassment, sexual assault, or other forms of harassment, including the date that the finding was made. (ii) Imposition of an administrative or disciplinary action by the recipient on the reporting individual related to a finding/determination or an investigation of an alleged violation of recipient policy or codes of conduct, statutes, or regulations, or other forms of harassment. (iii) The date and nature of the administrative/disciplinary action, including a basic explanation or description of the event, which should not disclose personally identifiable information regarding any complaints or individuals involved. Any description provided must be consistent with the Family Educational Rights in Privacy Act. (3) Definitions. (a) An "authorized organizational representative (AOR)" is an administrative official who, on behalf of the proposing institution, is empowered to make certifications and representations and can commit the institution to the conduct of a project that an agency is being asked to support as well as adhere to various agency policies and award requirements. (b) "Principal investigators and co-principal investigators" are award personnel supported by a grant, cooperative agreement, or contract under Federal law. (c) A "reported individual" refers to recipient personnel who have been reported to a federal agency for potential sexual harassment violations. (d) "Sex based harassment" means a form of sex discrimination and includes harassment based on sex, sex stereotypes, sex characteristics, pregnancy or related conditions, sexual orientation, and gender identity. (e) "Sexual harassment" means unwelcome sexual advances, requests for sexual favors, and other verbal or physical conduct of a sexual nature when this conduct explicitly or implicitly affects an individual's employment, unreasonably interferes with an individual's work performance, or creates an intimidating, hostile, or offensive work environment, whether such activity is carried out by a supervisor or by a co-worker, volunteer, or contractor.

Article 9**Civil Rights Act of 1964 – Title VI**

Recipients must comply with the requirements of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Pub. L. No. 88-352 (codified as amended at 42 U.S.C. § 2000d et seq.), which provides that no person in the United States will, on the grounds of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving federal financial assistance. DHS implementing regulations for the Act are found at 6 C.F.R. Part 21. Recipients of a federal award from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) must also comply with FEMA's implementing regulations at 44 C.F.R. Part 7.

Article 10**Civil Rights Act of 1968**

Recipients must comply with Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, Pub. L. No. 90284 (codified as amended at 42 U.S.C. § 3601 et seq.) which prohibits recipients from discriminating in the sale, rental, financing, and advertising of dwellings, or in the provision of services in connection therewith, on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, disability, familial status, and sex, as implemented by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development at 24 C.F.R. Part 100. The prohibition on disability discrimination includes the requirement that new multifamily housing with four or more dwelling units— i.e., the public and common use areas and individual apartment units (all units in buildings with elevators and ground-floor units in buildings without elevators)—be designed and constructed with certain accessible features. (See 24 C.F.R. Part 100, Subpart D.)

Article 11 Communication and Cooperation with the Department of Homeland Security and Immigration Officials

(1) All recipients and other recipients of funds under this award must agree that they will comply with the following requirements related to coordination and cooperation with the Department of Homeland Security and immigration officials: (a) They must comply with the requirements of 8 U.S.C. §§ 1373 and 1644. These statutes prohibit restrictions on information sharing by state and local government entities with DHS regarding the citizenship or immigration status, lawful or unlawful, of any individual. Additionally, 8 U.S.C. § 1373 prohibits any person or agency from prohibiting, or in any way restricting, a Federal, State, or local government entity from doing any of the following with respect to information regarding the immigration status of any individual: 1) sending such information to, or requesting or receiving such information from, Federal immigration officials; 2) maintaining such information; or 3) exchanging such information with any other Federal, State, or local government entity; (b) They must comply with other relevant laws related to immigration, including prohibitions on encouraging or inducing an alien to come to, enter, or reside in the United States in violation of law, 8 U.S.C. § 1324(a)(1)(A)(iv), prohibitions on transporting or moving illegal aliens, 8 U.S.C. § 1324(a)(1)(A)(ii), prohibitions on harboring, concealing, or shielding from detection illegal aliens, 8 U.S.C. § 1324(a)(1)(A)(iii), and any applicable conspiracy, aiding or abetting, or attempt liability regarding these statutes; (c) That they will honor requests for cooperation, such as participation in joint operations, sharing of information, or requests for short term detention of an alien pursuant to a valid detainer. A jurisdiction does not fail to comply with this requirement merely because it lacks the necessary resources to assist in a particular instance; (d) That they will provide access to detainees, such as when an immigration officer seeks to interview a person who might be a removable alien; and (e) That they will not leak or otherwise publicize the existence of an immigration enforcement operation. (2) The recipient must certify under penalty of perjury pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746 and using a form that is acceptable to DHS, that it will comply with the requirements of this term. Additionally, the recipient agrees that it will require any subrecipients or contractors to certify in the same manner that they will comply with this term prior to providing them with any funding under this award. (3) The recipient agrees that compliance with this term is material to the Government's decision to make or continue with this award and that the Department of homeland Security may terminate this grant, or take any other allowable enforcement action, if the recipient fails to comply with this term.

Article 12 Copyright

Recipients must affix the applicable copyright notices of 17 U.S.C. §§ 401 or 402 to any work first produced under federal awards and also include an acknowledgment that the work was produced under a federal award (including the federal award number and federal awarding agency). As detailed in 2 C.F.R. § 200.315, a federal awarding agency reserves a royalty-free, nonexclusive, and irrevocable right to reproduce, publish, or otherwise use the work for federal purposes and to authorize others to do so.

Article 13 Debarment and Suspension

Recipients must comply with the non-procurement debarment and suspension regulations implementing Executive Orders 12549 and 12689 set forth at 2 C.F.R. Part 180 as implemented by DHS at 2 C.F.R. Part 3000. These regulations prohibit recipients from entering into covered transactions (such as subawards and contracts) with certain parties that are debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded from or ineligible for participation in federal assistance programs or activities.

Article 14 Drug-Free Workplace Regulations

Recipients must comply with drug-free workplace requirements in Subpart B (or Subpart C, if the recipient is an individual) of 2 C.F.R. Part 3001, which adopts the Government-wide implementation (2 C.F.R. Part 182) of the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988 (41 U.S.C. §§ 8101-8106).

Article 15 Duplicative Costs

Recipients are prohibited from charging any cost to this federal award that will be included as a cost or used to meet cost sharing requirements of any other federal award in either the current or a prior budget period. See 2 C.F.R. § 200.403(f). However, recipients may shift costs that are allowable under two or more federal awards where otherwise permitted by federal statutes, regulations, or the federal award terms and conditions.

Article 16 Education Amendments of 1972 (Equal Opportunity in Education Act) – Title IX

Recipients must comply with the requirements of Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Pub. L. No. 92-318 (codified as amended at 20 U.S.C. § 1681 et seq.), which provide that no person in the United States will, on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any educational program or activity receiving federal financial assistance. DHS implementing regulations are codified at 6 C.F.R. Part 17. Recipients of a federal award from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) must also comply with FEMA's implementing regulations at 44 C.F.R. Part 19.

Article 17 Energy Policy and Conservation Act

Recipients must comply with the requirements of the Energy Policy and Conservation Act, Pub. L. No. 94-163 (1975) (codified as amended at 42 U.S.C. § 6201 et seq.), which contain policies relating to energy efficiency that are defined in the state energy conservation plan issued in compliance with this Act.

Article 18 Equal Treatment of Faith-Based Organizations

It is DHS policy to ensure the equal treatment of faith-based organizations in social service programs administered or supported by DHS or its component agencies, enabling those organizations to participate in providing important social services to beneficiaries. Recipients must comply with the equal treatment policies and requirements contained in 6 C.F.R. Part 19 and other applicable statutes, regulations, and guidance governing the participations of faith-based organizations in individual DHS programs.

Article 19 Anti-Discrimination

Recipients must comply with all applicable Federal anti-discrimination laws material to the government's payment decisions for purposes of 31 U.S.C. § 372(b)(4). (1) Definitions. As used in this clause – (a) DEI means "diversity, equity, and inclusion." (b) DEIA means "diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility." (c) Discriminatory equity ideology has the meaning set forth in Section 2(b) of Executive Order 14190 of January 29, 2025. (d) Federal anti-discrimination laws mean Federal civil rights law that protect individual Americans from discrimination on the basis of race, color, sex, religion, and national origin. (e) Illegal immigrant means any alien, as defined in 8 U.S.C. § 1101(a)(3), who has no lawful immigration status in the United States. (2) Grant award certification. (a) By accepting the grant award, recipients are certifying that: (i) They do not, and will not during the term of this financial assistance award, operate any programs that advance or promote DEI, DEIA, or discriminatory equity ideology in violation of Federal anti-discrimination laws; and (ii) They do not engage in and will not during the term of this award engage in, a discriminatory prohibited boycott. (iii) They do not, and will not during the term of this award, operate any program that benefits illegal immigrants or incentivizes illegal immigration. (3) DHS reserves the right to suspend payments in whole or in part and/or terminate financial assistance awards if the Secretary of Homeland Security or her designee determines that the recipient has violated any provision of subsection (2). (4) Upon suspension or termination under subsection (3), all funds received by the recipient shall be deemed to be in excess of the amount that the recipient is determined to be entitled to under the Federal award for purposes of 2 C.F.R. § 200.346. As such, all amounts received will constitute a debt to the Federal Government that may be pursued to the maximum extent permitted by law.

Article 20	<p>False Claims Act and Program Fraud Civil Remedies Recipients must comply with the requirements of the False Claims Act, 31 U.S.C. §§ 3729- 3733, which prohibit the submission of false or fraudulent claims for payment to the Federal Government. (See 31 U.S.C. §§ 3801-3812, which details the administrative remedies for false claims and statements made.)</p>
Article 21	<p>Federal Debt Status All recipients are required to be non-delinquent in their repayment of any federal debt. Examples of relevant debt include delinquent payroll and other taxes, audit disallowances, and benefit overpayments. See OMB Circular A-129.</p>
Article 22	<p>Federal Leadership on Reducing Text Messaging while Driving Recipients are encouraged to adopt and enforce policies that ban text messaging while driving recipient-owned, recipient-rented, or privately owned vehicles when on official government business or when performing any work for or on behalf of the Federal Government. Recipients are also encouraged to conduct the initiatives of the type described in Section 3(a) of Executive Order 13513.</p>
Article 23	<p>Fly America Act of 1974 Recipients must comply with Preference for U.S. Flag Air Carriers (a list of certified air carriers can be found at: Certificated Air Carriers List US Department of Transportation, https://www.transportation.gov/policy/aviation-policy/certificated-aircarriers-list) for international air transportation of people and property to the extent that such service is available, in accordance with the International Air Transportation Fair Competitive Practices Act of 1974, 49 U.S.C. § 40118, and the interpretative guidelines issued by the Comptroller General of the United States in the March 31, 1981, amendment to Comptroller General Decision B-138942.</p>
Article 24	<p>Hotel and Motel Fire Safety Act of 1990 Recipients must ensure that all conference, meeting, convention, or training space funded entirely or in part by federal award funds complies with the fire prevention and control guidelines of Section 6 of the Hotel and Motel Fire Safety Act of 1990, 15 U.S.C. § 2225a.</p>
Article 25	<p>John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act of Fiscal Year 2019 Recipients, subrecipients, and their contractors and subcontractors are subject to the prohibitions described in section 889 of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019, Pub. L. No. 115-232 (2018) and 2 C.F.R. §§ 200.216, 200.327, 200.471, and Appendix II to 2 C.F.R. Part 200. The statute – as it applies to DHS recipients, subrecipients, and their contractors and subcontractors – prohibits obligating or expending federal award funds on certain telecommunications and video surveillance products and contracting with certain entities for national security reasons.</p>
Article 26	<p>Limited English Proficiency (Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title VI) Recipients must comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. § 2000d et seq.) prohibition against discrimination on the basis of national origin, which requires that recipients of federal financial assistance take reasonable steps to provide meaningful access to persons with limited English proficiency (LEP) to their programs and services. For additional assistance and information regarding language access obligations, please refer to the DHS Recipient Guidance: https://www.dhs.gov/guidance-published-help-department-supported-organizationsprovide-meaningful-access-people-limited and additional resources on http://www.lep.gov.</p>

Article 27 Lobbying Prohibitions
Recipients must comply with 31 U.S.C. § 1352 and 6 C.F.R. Part 9, which provide that none of the funds provided under a federal award may be expended by the recipient to pay any person to influence, or attempt to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with any federal action related to a federal award or contract, including any extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification. Per 6 C.F.R. Part 9, recipients must file a lobbying certification form as described in Appendix A to 6 C.F.R. Part 9 or available on Grants.gov as the Grants.gov Lobbying Form and file a lobbying disclosure form as described in Appendix B to 6 C.F.R. Part 9 or available on Grants.gov as the Disclosure of Lobbying Activities (SF-LLL).

Article 28 National Environmental Policy Act
Recipients must comply with the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, Pub. L. No. 91-190 (1970) (codified as amended at 42 U.S.C. § 4321 et seq.) (NEPA) and the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) Regulations for Implementing the Procedural Provisions of NEPA, which require recipients to use all practicable means within their authority, and consistent with other essential considerations of national policy, to create and maintain conditions under which people and nature can exist in productive harmony and fulfill the social, economic, and other needs of present and future generations of Americans.

Article 29 National Security Presidential Memorandum-33 (NSPM-33) and provisions of the CHIPS and Science Act of 2022, Pub. L. 117-167, Section 10254
(1) Recipient research institutions (“covered institutions”) must comply with the requirements in NSPM-33 and provisions of Pub. L.117-167, Section 10254 (codified at 42 U.S.C. § 18951) certifying that the institution has established and operates a research security program that includes elements relating to: (a) cybersecurity; (b) foreign travel security; (c) research security training; and (d) export control training, as appropriate. (2) Definition. “Covered institutions” means recipient research institutions receiving federal Research and Development (R&D) science and engineering support “in excess of \$50 million per year.”

Article 30 Non-Supplanting Requirement
Recipients of federal awards under programs that prohibit supplanting by law must ensure that federal funds supplement but do not supplant non-federal funds that, in the absence of such federal funds, would otherwise have been made available for the same purpose.

Article 31 Notice of Funding Opportunity Requirements
All the instructions, guidance, limitations, scope of work, and other conditions set forth in the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for this federal award are incorporated by reference. All recipients must comply with any such requirements set forth in the NOFO. If a condition of the NOFO is inconsistent with these terms and conditions and any such terms of the federal award, the condition in the NOFO shall be invalid to the extent of the inconsistency. The remainder of that condition and all other conditions set forth in the NOFO shall remain in effect.

Article 32 Patents and Intellectual Property Rights
Recipients are subject to the Bayh-Dole Act, 35 U.S.C. § 200 et seq. and applicable regulations governing inventions and patents, including the regulations issued by the Department of Commerce at 37 C.F.R. Part 401 (Rights to Inventions Made by Nonprofit Organizations and Small Business Firms under Government Awards, Contracts, and Cooperative Agreements) and the standard patent rights clause set forth at 37 C.F.R. § 401.14.

Article 33 Presidential Executive Orders
Recipients must comply with the requirements of Presidential Executive Orders related to grants (also known as federal assistance and financial assistance), the full text of which are incorporated by reference.

- Article 34 Procurement of Recovered Materials**
States, political subdivisions of states, and their contractors must comply with Section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, Pub. L. No. 89-272 (1965) (codified as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act at 42 U.S.C. § 6962) and 2 C.F.R. § 200.323. The requirements of Section 6002 include procuring only items designated in guidelines of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) at 40 C.F.R. Part 247 that contain the highest percentage of recovered materials practicable, consistent with maintaining a satisfactory level of competition.
- Article 35 Rehabilitation Act of 1973**
Recipients must comply with the requirements of Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Pub. L. No. 93-112 (codified as amended at 29 U.S.C. § 794), which provides that no otherwise qualified handicapped individuals in the United States will, solely by reason of the handicap, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving federal financial assistance.
- Article 36 Reporting Recipient Integrity and Performance Matters**
If the total value of any currently active grants, cooperative agreements, and procurement contracts from all federal awarding agencies exceeds \$10,000,000 for any period of time during the period of performance of the federal award, then the recipient must comply with the requirements set forth in the government-wide federal award term and condition for Recipient Integrity and Performance Matters is in 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Appendix XII, the full text of which is incorporated by reference.
- Article 37 Reporting Subawards and Executive Compensation**
For federal awards that total or exceed \$30,000, recipients are required to comply with the requirements set forth in the government-wide federal award term and condition on Reporting Subawards and Executive Compensation set forth at 2 C.F.R. Part 170, Appendix A, the full text of which is incorporated by reference.

Article 38 Required Use of American Iron, Steel, Manufactured Products, and Construction Materials

(1) Recipients of a federal award from a financial assistance program that provides funding for infrastructure are hereby notified that none of the funds provided under this federal award may be used for a project for infrastructure unless: (a) all iron and steel used in the project are produced in the United States—this means all manufacturing processes, from the initial melting stage through the application of coatings, occurred in the United States; (b) all manufactured products used in the project are produced in the United States—this means the manufactured product was manufactured in the United States; and the cost of the components of the manufactured product that are mined, produced, or manufactured in the United States is greater than 55 percent of the total cost of all components of the manufactured product, unless another standard for determining the minimum amount of domestic content of the manufactured product has been established under applicable law or regulation; and (c) all construction materials are manufactured in the United States—this means that all manufacturing processes for the construction material occurred in the United States. (2) The Buy America preference only applies to articles, materials, and supplies that are consumed in, incorporated into, or affixed to an infrastructure project. As such, it does not apply to tools, equipment, and supplies, such as temporary scaffolding, brought to the construction site and removed at or before the completion of the infrastructure project. Nor does a Buy America preference apply to equipment and furnishings, such as movable chairs, desks, and portable computer equipment, that are used at or within the finished infrastructure project but are not an integral part of the structure or permanently affixed to the infrastructure project. (3) Waivers. When necessary, recipients may apply for, and the agency may grant, a waiver from these requirements. The agency should notify the recipient for information on the process for requesting a waiver from these requirements. (a) When the Federal agency has determined that one of the following exceptions applies, the federal awarding official may waive the application of the domestic content procurement preference in any case in which the agency determines that: (i) applying the domestic content procurement preference would be inconsistent with the public interest; (ii) the types of iron, steel, manufactured products, or construction materials are not produced in the United States in sufficient and reasonably available quantities or of a satisfactory quality; or (iii) the inclusion of iron, steel, manufactured products, or construction materials produced in the United States will increase the cost of the overall project by more than 25 percent. (b) A request to waive the application of the domestic content procurement preference must be in writing. The agency will provide instructions on the format, contents, and supporting materials required for any waiver request. Waiver requests are subject to public comment periods of no less than 15 days and must be reviewed by the Made in America Office. (c) There may be instances where a federal award qualifies, in whole or in part, for an existing waiver described at "Buy America" Preference in FEMA Financial Assistance Programs for Infrastructure | FEMA.gov. (4) Definitions. The definitions applicable to this term are set forth at 2 C.F.R. § 184.3, the full text of which is incorporated by reference.

Article 39 SAFECOM

Recipients receiving federal awards made under programs that provide emergency communication equipment and its related activities must comply with the SAFECOM Guidance for Emergency Communication Grants, including provisions on technical standards that ensure and enhance interoperable communications. The SAFECOM Guidance is updated annually and can be found at Funding and Sustainment | CISA.

Article 40 Subrecipient Monitoring and Management

Pass-through entities must comply with the requirements for subrecipient monitoring and management as set forth in 2 C.F.R. §§ 200.331-333.

Article 41 System for Award Management and Unique Entity Identifier Requirements

Recipients are required to comply with the requirements set forth in the governmentwide federal award term and condition regarding the System for Award Management and Unique Entity Identifier Requirements in 2 C.F.R. Part 25, Appendix A, the full text of which is incorporated reference.

Article 42 Termination of a Federal Award
(1) By DHS. DHS may terminate a federal award, in whole or in part, for the following reasons: (a) If the recipient fails to comply with the terms and conditions of the federal award; (b) With the consent of the recipient, in which case the parties must agree upon the termination conditions, including the effective date, and in the case of partial termination, the portion to be terminated; or (c) Pursuant to the terms and conditions of the federal award, including, to the extent authorized by law, if the federal award no longer effectuates the program goals or agency priorities. (3) By the Recipient. The recipient may terminate the federal award, in whole or in part, by sending written notification to DHS stating the reasons for such termination, the effective date, and in the case of partial termination, the portion to be terminated. However, if DHS determines that the remaining portion of the federal award will not accomplish the purposes for which the federal award was made, DHS may terminate the federal award in its entirety. (4) Notice. Either party will provide written notice of intent to terminate for any reason to the other party no less than 30 calendar days prior to the effective date of the termination. (5) Compliance with Closeout Requirements for Terminated Awards. The recipient must continue to comply with closeout requirements in 2 C.F.R. §§ 200.344200.345 after an award is terminated.

Article 43 Terrorist Financing
Recipients must comply with Executive Order 13224 and applicable statutory prohibitions on transactions with, and the provisions of resources and support to, individuals and organizations associated with terrorism. Recipients are legally responsible for ensuring compliance with the Executive Order and laws.

Article 44 Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000(TVPA)
Recipients must comply with the requirements of the government-wide federal award term and condition which implements Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000, Pub. L. No. 106-386, § 106 (codified as amended at 22 U.S.C. § 7104). The federal award term and condition is in 2 C.F.R. § 175.105, the full text of which is incorporated by reference.

Article 45 Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism (USA PATRIOT) Act of 2001, Pub. L. 107-56
Recipients must comply with the requirements of Pub. L. 107-56, Section 817 of the USA PATRIOT Act, which amends 18 U.S.C. §§ 175-175c.

Article 46 Use of DHS Seal, Logo and Flags
Recipients must obtain written permission from DHS prior to using the DHS seals, logos, crests, or reproductions of flags, or likenesses of DHS agency officials. This includes use of DHS component (e.g., FEMA, CISA, etc.) seals, logos, crests, or reproductions of flags, or likenesses of component officials.

Article 47 Whistleblower Protection Act
Recipients must comply with the statutory requirements for whistleblower protections in 10 U.S.C § 470141 U.S.C. § 4712.

Article 48**Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation (EHP) Review**

DHS/FEMA funded activities that could have an impact on the environment are subject to the FEMA EHP review process. This review does not address all federal, state, and local requirements. Acceptance of federal funding requires the recipient to comply with all federal, state, and local laws. DHS/FEMA is required to consider the potential impacts to natural and cultural resources of all projects funded by DHS/FEMA grant funds, through its EHP review process, as mandated by: the National Environmental Policy Act; Endangered Species Act; National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended; Clean Water Act; Clean Air Act; National Flood Insurance Program regulations; and any other applicable laws, regulations and executive orders. General guidance for FEMA's EHP process is available on the DHS/FEMA Website. Specific applicant guidance on how to submit information for EHP review depends on the individual grant program. Applicants should contact their grant Program Officer to be put into contact with EHP staff responsible for assisting their specific grant program. The FEMA EHP review process must be completed before funds are released to carry out the proposed project, otherwise, DHS/FEMA may not be able to fund the project due to noncompliance with EHP laws, executive orders, regulations, and policies. DHS/FEMA may also need to perform a project closeout review to ensure the applicant complied with all required EHP conditions identified in the initial review. If ground disturbing activities occur during construction, the applicant will monitor the ground disturbance, and if any potential archaeological resources are discovered, the applicant will immediately cease work in that area and notify the pass-through entity, if applicable, and DHS/FEMA. EO 11988, Floodplain Management, and EO 11990, Protection of Wetlands, require that all federal actions in or affecting the floodplain or wetlands be reviewed for opportunities to relocate, and be evaluated for social, economic, historical, environmental, legal, and safety considerations. FEMA's regulations at 44 C.F.R. Part 9 implement the EOs and require an eight-step review process if a proposed action is in a floodplain or wetland or has the potential to affect or be affected by a floodplain or wetland. The regulation also requires that the federal agency provide public notice of the proposed action at the earliest possible time to provide the opportunity for public involvement in the decision-making process (44 C.F.R. § 9.8). Where there is no opportunity to relocate the federal action, FEMA is required to undertake a detailed review to determine what measures can be taken to minimize future damages to the floodplain or wetland.

Article 49**Applicability of DHS Standard Terms and Conditions to Tribal Nations**

The DHS Standard Terms and Conditions are a restatement of general requirements imposed upon recipients and flow down to sub-recipients as a matter of law, regulation, or executive order. If the requirement does not apply to Tribal Nations, or there is a federal law or regulation exempting its application to Tribal Nations, then the acceptance by Tribal Nations, or acquiescence to DHS Standard Terms and Conditions does not change or alter its inapplicability to a Tribal Nation. The execution of grant documents is not intended to change, alter, amend, or impose additional liability or responsibility upon the Tribal Nations where it does not already exist.

Article 50**Acceptance of Post Award Changes**

In the event FEMA determines that an error in the award package has been made, or if an administrative change must be made to the award package, recipients will be notified of the change in writing. Once the notification has been made, any subsequent requests for funds will indicate recipient acceptance of the changes to the award. Please email FEMA Grant Management Operations at: ASK-GMD@fema.dhs.gov for any questions.

Article 51 **Disposition of Equipment Acquired Under the Federal Award**
When original or replacement equipment acquired under this award is no longer needed for the original project or program or for other activities currently or previously supported by a federal awarding agency, the non-state recipient or subrecipient (including subrecipients of a State or Tribal Nation), must request instructions from FEMA to make proper disposition of the equipment pursuant to 2 C.F.R. section 200.313(e). State recipients must follow the disposition requirements in accordance with State laws and procedures. 2 C.F.R. section 200.313(b). Tribal Nations must follow the disposition requirements in accordance with Tribal laws and procedures noted in 2 C.F.R. section 200.313(b); and if such laws and procedures do not exist, then Tribal Nations must follow the disposition instructions in 2 C.F.R. section 200.313(e).

Article 52 **Prior Approval for Modification of Approved Budget**
Before making any change to the FEMA approved budget for this award, a written request must be submitted and approved by FEMA as required by 2 C.F.R. section 200.308. For purposes of non-construction projects, FEMA is utilizing its discretion to impose an additional restriction under 2 C.F.R. section 200.308(i) regarding the transfer of funds among direct cost categories, programs, functions, or activities. For awards with an approved budget where the federal share is greater than the simplified acquisition threshold (currently \$250,000) and where the cumulative amount of such transfers exceeds or is expected to exceed ten percent (10%) of the total budget FEMA last approved, transferring funds among direct cost categories, programs, functions, or activities is unallowable without prior written approval from FEMA. For purposes of awards that support both construction and non-construction work, 2 C.F.R. section 200.308((f)(9) requires the recipient to obtain prior written approval from FEMA before making any fund or budget transfers between the two types of work. Any deviations from a FEMA approved budget must be reported in the first Federal Financial Report (SF-425) that is submitted following any budget deviation, regardless of whether the budget deviation requires prior written approval.

Article 53 **Indirect Cost Rate**
2 C.F.R. section 200.211(b)(16) requires the terms of the award to include the indirect cost rate for the federal award. If applicable, the indirect cost rate for the award is stated in the budget documents or other materials approved by FEMA and included in the award file.

Article 54 **Build America, Buy America Act (BABAA) Required Contract Provision & Self-Certification**
In addition to the DHS Standard Terms & Conditions regarding Required Use of American Iron, Steel, Manufactured Products, and Construction Materials, recipients and subrecipients of FEMA financial assistance for programs that are subject to BABAA must include a Buy America preference contract provision as noted in 2 C.F.R. section 184.4 and a self-certification as required by the FEMA Buy America Preference in FEMA Financial Assistance Programs for Infrastructure (FEMA Interim Policy #207-22-0001). This requirement applies to all subawards, contracts, and purchase orders for work performed, or products supplied under the FEMA award subject to BABAA.

Article 55 **Funding Hold: Final FY 2025 Emergency Performance Management Grant (EMPG) Work Plan**
FEMA has placed a funding hold on this award. \$3,417,786 is on hold in the FEMA financial systems. The recipient is prohibited from obligating, expending, or drawing down the funds associated with the following projects/investments: State of Washington FY 2025 Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG), \$3,417,786. To release the funding hold, the recipient must provide a final FY 2025 EMPG Work Plan by January 14, 2026, that meets the requirements of the FY 2025 Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO). FEMA will rescind the funding hold upon its review and approval of the final FY 2025 EMPG Work Plan. If you believe this funding hold was placed in error, please contact the relevant Grants Management Specialist.

Article 56 Compliance with Federal Immigration Law

1. Prohibition a. The state or territorial recipient is prohibited from making subawards to a local government that the Department of Homeland Security or the Department of Justice has designated as a sanctuary jurisdiction. If the Department of Homeland Security or Department of Justice designates a local government as a sanctuary jurisdiction after the state or territorial recipient makes a subaward to that local government, the state or territorial recipient must suspend the subaward, the state or territorial recipient must not make any additional payments to the local government, and the local government is prohibited from making any financial obligations under the subaward on and after the date of designation until the Department of Homeland Security or Department of Justice removes that designation. b. The Department of Homeland Security designates a local government as a sanctuary jurisdiction if it fails to comply with the requirements set forth in paragraphs 2.a.i to v of this term and condition. 2. Certification a. The state or territorial recipient must require all local government subrecipients to certify under penalty of perjury pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, and using a form that is acceptable to the Department of Homeland Security, that the local government will comply with the following requirements related to coordination and cooperation with the Department of Homeland Security and immigration officials: i. They will comply with the requirements of 8 U.S.C. §§ 1373 and 1644. These statutes prohibit restrictions on information sharing by state and local government entities with the Department of Homeland Security regarding the citizenship or immigration status, lawful or unlawful, of any individual. Additionally, 8 U.S.C. § 1373 prohibits any person or agency from prohibiting, or in any way restricting, a Federal, state, or local government entity from doing any of the following with respect to information regarding the immigration status of any individual: (1) sending such information to, or requesting or receiving such information from, Federal immigration officials; (2) maintaining such information; or (3) exchanging such information with any other Federal, state, or local government entity. ii. They will comply with other relevant laws related to immigration, including prohibitions on encouraging or inducing an alien to come to, enter, or reside in the United States in violation of law, 8 U.S.C. § 1324(a)(1)(A)(iv), prohibitions on transporting or moving illegal aliens, 8 U.S.C. § 1324(a)(1)(A)(ii), prohibitions on harboring, concealing, or shielding from detection illegal aliens, 8 U.S.C. § 1324(a)(1)(A)(iii), and any applicable conspiracy, aiding or abetting, or attempt liability regarding these statutes. iii. They will honor requests for cooperation, such as participating in joint operations, sharing of information, or requests for short term detention of an alien pursuant to a valid detainer. A jurisdiction does not fail to comply with this requirement merely because it lacks the necessary resources to assist in a particular instance. iv. They will provide access to detainees, such as when an immigration officer seeks to interview a person who might be a removable alien. v. They will not leak or otherwise publicize the existence of an immigration enforcement operation. b. The state or territorial recipient must require a local government subrecipient to make the certification above before providing them with any funding under the subaward. 3. Materiality and Remedies for Noncompliance This term and condition is material to the Department of Homeland Security's decision to make this grant award and the Department of Homeland Security may take any remedy for noncompliance, including termination, if the state or territorial recipient or any local government subrecipient fails to comply with this term and condition.

Article 57 Non-Applicability of Specific Terms and Agreement Articles

Notwithstanding their inclusion in this award package, the following terms and Agreement Articles do not apply to this grant award: (1) paragraph C.IX (Communication and Cooperation with the Department of Homeland Security and Immigration Officials) of the DHS Standard Terms and Conditions and the Agreement Article titled "Communication and Cooperation with the Department of Homeland Security and Immigration Officials" in this award package; and (2) paragraph C.XVII(2)(a)(iii) (Anti-Discrimination Grant Award Certification regarding immigration) of the DHS Standard Terms and Conditions and paragraph (2)(a)(iii) of the Agreement Article titled "Anti-Discrimination" in this award package.

Article 58 Impact of San Francisco v. Trump Preliminary Injunction
Pursuant to the preliminary injunction order issued on August 22, 2025, in City and County of San Francisco, et al. v. Trump, et al., No. 3:25-cv-01350 (N.D. Cal.), the following terms and conditions do not apply to awards or subawards issued to any of the plaintiffs subject to the preliminary injunction order while the order remains in effect: (1) paragraph C.IX (Communication and Cooperation with the Department of Homeland Security and Immigration Officials) of the DHS Standard Terms and Conditions and the Agreement Article titled "Communication and Cooperation with the Department of Homeland Security and Immigration Officials" in this award package; (2) paragraph C.XVII(2)(a)(iii) (Anti-Discrimination Grant Award Certification regarding immigration) of the DHS Standard Terms and Conditions and paragraph (2)(a)(iii) of the Agreement Article titled "Anti-Discrimination" in this award package; and (3) the "Compliance with Federal Immigration Law" Agreement Article. If the preliminary injunction is stayed, vacated, or extinguished, the "Compliance with Federal Immigration Law" Agreement Article will immediately become effective.

Article 59 Impact of State of Illinois v. FEMA Injunction
Pursuant to the memorandum and order issued on September 24, 2025, in State of Illinois, et al. v. Federal Emergency Management Agency, et. al, No. 25-206 (D. R.I.), the following terms and conditions do not apply to awards or subawards issued to any of the plaintiffs subject to the injunction order while the order remains in effect: (1) paragraph C.IX (Communication and Cooperation with the Department of Homeland Security and Immigration Officials) of the DHS Standard Terms and Conditions and the Agreement Article titled "Communication and Cooperation with the Department of Homeland Security and Immigration Officials" in this award package; (2) paragraph C.XVII(2)(a)(iii) (Anti-Discrimination Grant Award Certification regarding immigration) of the DHS Standard Terms and Conditions and paragraph (2)(a)(iii) of the Agreement Article titled "Anti-Discrimination" in this award package; and (3) the "Compliance with Federal Immigration Law" Agreement Article. If the injunction is stayed, vacated, or extinguished, the "Compliance with Federal Immigration Law" Agreement Article will immediately become effective.

Article 60 Non-Applicability of Specific Agreement Articles
Notwithstanding its inclusion in this award package, the following Agreement Article does not apply to this grant award: 1. Termination of a Federal Award This provision is consistent with any terms of the Notice of Funding Opportunity that state Paragraph C.XL (Termination of a Federal Award) of the FY 2025 DHS Standard Terms and Conditions does not apply to this award. Refer to the Notice of Funding Opportunity for the terms governing award termination.

Article 61 Funding Hold: Verification of State's Population
FEMA has placed a funding hold on this award, and the full amount of the award is on hold in the FEMA financial systems. The recipient is prohibited from obligating, expending, or drawing down the funds associated with the award.

To release the funding hold, the SAA must provide a certification of the recipient state's population as of September 30, 2025. In so doing, the State will explain the methodology it used to determine its population and certify that its reported population does not include individuals that have been removed from the State pursuant to the immigration laws of the United States.

FEMA will rescind the funding hold upon its review and approval of the State's methodology and population certification.

Article 62 Rescission of Agreement Articles Pursuant to State of Illinois, et al. v. FEMA, et al.

In accordance with the U.S. District Court for the District of Rhode Island's Order in *State of Illinois, et al. v. FEMA, et al.*, No. 25-206 (D. R.I.), dated October 14, 2025, and FEMA Information Bulletin No. 538, the following terms and conditions are rescinded under this award: 1. Paragraph C.IX (Communication and Cooperation with the Department of Homeland Security and Immigration Officials) of the DHS Standard Terms and Conditions. 2. Paragraph C.XVII(2)(a)(iii) (Anti-Discrimination Grant Award Certification regarding immigration) of the DHS Standard Terms and Conditions. 3. The "Communication and Cooperation with the Department of Homeland Security and Immigration Officials" Agreement Article. 4. Paragraph (2)(a)(iii) of the Agreement Article titled "Anti-Discrimination". 5. The "Compliance with Federal Immigration Law" Agreement Article. 6. The "Impact of State of Illinois v. FEMA Injunction" Agreement Article. 7. The "Impact of San Francisco v. Trump Preliminary Injunction" Agreement Article.

Article 63 Amended Period of Performance and Budget Period Pursuant to State of Illinois, et al. v. Kristi Noem, et al. (D.RI) and State of Michigan et al. v. Kristi Noem et al. (D.OR).

Pursuant to the Permanent Injunction Order issued by the U.S. District Court for the District of Rhode Island in *State of Illinois, et al. v. Kristi Noem, et al.*, No. 1:25-cv-00495, dated December 22, 2025 and the Permanent Injunction Order issued by the U.S. District Court for the District of Oregon in *State of Michigan, et al. v. Kristi Noem et al.*, No 6:25-cv-02053-AP, dated December 23, 2025, the Agreement Article titled "Period of Performance and Budget Period" of your award package is rescinded. The new Period of Performance and Budget Period for this award is October 1, 2024 to September 30, 2027.

Article 64 Rescission of Funding Hold: Verification of State's Population Pursuant to State of Illinois, et al. v. Kristi Noem, et al. (D.RI) and State of Michigan et al. v. Kristi Noem et al. (D.OR).

Pursuant to the Permanent Injunction Order issued by the U.S. District Court for the District of Rhode Island in *State of Illinois, et al. v. Kristi Noem, et al.*, No. 1:25-cv-00495, dated December 22, 2025 and the Permanent Injunction Order issued by the U.S. District Court for the District of Oregon in *State of Michigan, et al. v. Kristi Noem et al.*, No 6:25-cv-02053-AP, dated December 23, 2025, the Agreement Article titled "Funding Hold: Verification of State's Population" of your award package is rescinded.

Obligating document

1. Agreement No. EMS-2025-EP-05001	2. Amendment No. N/A	3. Recipient No. 916001095	4. Type of Action AWARD	5. Control No. SX00132N2025T		
6. Recipient Name and Address MILITARY DEPARTMENT, WASHINGTON STATE CAMP MURRY BUILDING 1 CAMP MURRAY, WA 98430		7. Issuing FEMA Office and Address FEMA Region X 130 228th Street, S.W. Bothell, Washington 98021-9796 425-487-4600		8. Payment Office and Address FEMA, Financial Services Branch 500 C Street, S.W., Room 723 Washington DC, 20742		
9. Name of Recipient Project Officer Sierra Wardell	9a. Phone No. 253-5127121	10. Name of FEMA Project Coordinator Emergency Management Performance Grant Grant Program		10a. Phone No. 1-877-585-3242		
11. Effective Date of This Action 02/06/2026	12. Method of Payment OTHER - FEMA GO	13. Assistance Arrangement COST SHARING	14. Performance Period 10/01/2024 to 09/30/2027 Budget Period 10/01/2024 to 09/30/2027			
15. Description of Action a. (Indicate funding data for awards or financial changes)						
Program Name Abbreviation	Assistance Listing No.	Accounting Data (ACCS Code)	Prior Total Award	Amount Awarded This Action + or (-)	Current Total Award	Cumulative Non-Federal Commitment
EMPG	97.042	2025-FA-GA01 - R107-xxxx-4120-D	\$0.00	\$6,835,572.00	\$6,835,572.00	See Totals
Totals			\$0.00	\$6,835,572.00	\$6,835,572.00	\$6,835,572.00
b. To describe changes other than funding data or financial changes, attach schedule and check here: N/A						
16. FOR NON-DISASTER PROGRAMS: RECIPIENT IS REQUIRED TO SIGN AND RETURN THREE (3) COPIES OF THIS DOCUMENT TO FEMA (See Block 7 for address) This field is not applicable for digitally signed grant agreements						
17. RECIPIENT SIGNATORY OFFICIAL (Name and Title) Sierra Wardell					DATE 02/09/2026	
18. FEMA SIGNATORY OFFICIAL (Name and Title) David Gudinas, Deputy Assistant Administrator (Acting) Grant Programs Directorate Resilience					DATE 02/06/2026	

WORK PLAN

FY 2025 Emergency Management Performance Grant

The purpose of this attachment is to identify the activities planned by the Subrecipient under this Grant Agreement, funded by EMPG and required match funding, and subsequently approved as allowable under EMPG by the EMPG Program Manager.

Emergency Management Organization: Whatcom County Sheriff's Office

The purpose of EMPG is to assist with the enhancement, sustainment and improvement of state, local, and tribal emergency management programs. Activities conducted using EMPG funding should relate directly to the five mission areas of the national preparedness goal of prevention, protection, response, recovery, and mitigation. Washington State does not require a specific number of activities to receive EMPG funding. However, there are required capabilities that must be sustained in order to remain eligible for EMPG funding, including but not limited to the ability to communicate and warn, educate the public, plan, train, exercise, and be NIMS compliant. The Work Plan delineates the Emergency Management Organization's emergency management program planning and priority focus for this grant cycle (to include EMPG grant and local funds).

Priority Area-Sustainment

Rent - WUECC (EOC) Lease (Match)		
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Priority Area #1	3.2 Coordination	
Primary Core Capability	Operational Coordination	
Secondary Core Capability	Community Resilience	
Build or Sustain	Sustaining/Maintaining	
WORK PLANNED	IDENTIFIED GAP/NEED	ANTICIPATED PROJECT IMPACT
Manage and Maintain Emergency Worker Program for Whatcom County, and support training and development of Emergency Worker units	Per RCW & WAC, WCSO-DEM, the local Emergency Management Agency, is responsible for the operation and maintenance of the Emergency Worker program at the local level.	Agency will be staffed to a level which allows for the continued operation of the EM Worker program, in support of Emergency Worker units such as Search and Rescue, Community Emergency Response Teams, Auxiliary Communications Services, etc. Ensure compliance with WAC 118-04 for coverage of hundreds of Emergency Workers active in Whatcom County.
Manage the fiscal and administrative policies and procedures that support both day-to-day and disaster operations.	Policies and procedures are established to support the efficiency, consistency, responsibility, and accountability of all employees in support of their agency's mission, vision, and objectives.	Delivery of emergency management programs that are efficient, consistent, show good custodianship of public funds, and are in compliance with federal, state, and local codes and regulations.

Priority Area #2	4.10 Training	
Primary Core Capability	Operational Coordination	
Secondary Core Capability	Situational Assessment	
Build or Sustain	Sustaining/Maintaining	

WORK PLANNED	IDENTIFIED GAP/NEED	ANTICIPATED PROJECT IMPACT
Participate in WA-EMD's annual Integrated Preparedness Planning Workshop (IPPW).	It is important that the County has a process for documenting overall preparedness priorities and activities, allowing for maximum efficiency of resources, time, and funding.	By participating in the IPPW, Whatcom County will work collaboratively with others State-wide to identify preparedness gaps and goals and to prioritize planning, training, and exercise projects in order to best utilize available local, state, tribal, and federal resources.
Facilitate the annual Winter Storm/Flood Outlook and Planning Briefing.	Floods and winter storms occur annually in Whatcom County. Their impact is relatively minor in some years. In other years, their impact reaches the level of a Presidential Disaster Declaration, as it did in December 2018 (FEMA 4418-DR-WA) and February 2020 (FEMA 4539-DR-WA) and November 2021 (FEMA 4635-DR-WA). It is important for the partner agencies in the community to come together as one group to hear what the upcoming winter forecast will be, what mitigation work has been done, what potential trouble spots exist, what resources/strategies each agency can bring to the response, and review plans and responsibilities to help mitigate flood and winter storm impacts.	Agency partners will have a realistic prediction based on the latest science modeling provided by NOAA/National Weather Service and a better understanding of the available resources and newest response plans of other agencies.
Conduct Duty Officer & EOC Staff Trainings	Regular training of duty officers and EOC staff is required to maintain operational readiness	WCSO DEM staff, alongside other local organization staff that support EOC operations, will be trained and better prepared to respond to incidents and support events that activate the WUECC.
Support delivery of NIMS training for local responders, senior officials, and the community	Supporting NIMS compliance with local training deliveries ensures that all agency partners have the opportunity to send staff to training	WCSO DEM staff, alongside other local organization staff that support EOC operations, will be trained and better prepared to respond to incidents and support events that activate the WUECC.

Priority Area #3	4.12 Emergency Public Information and Education	
Primary Core Capability	Public Information and Warning	
Secondary Core Capability	Community Resilience	
Build or Sustain	Building	
WORK PLANNED	IDENTIFIED GAP/NEED	ANTICIPATED PROJECT IMPACT
Conduct community education and outreach presentations.	These presentations are designed to increase public awareness of Whatcom County risks and hazards and to provide actions individuals, families, and businesses can take to	Individuals will be better aware of local hazards, steps they can take to be better prepared, and become trained in community assets before,

	lessen the impact of emergencies and disasters.	during, and after the emergency response. Empowering citizens to take care of themselves is a key component to community resilience, particularly during large-scale incidents, and decreases citizen reliance on first responder organizations.
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Priority Area #4	4.11 Exercises, Evaluations, and Corrective Actions	
Primary Core Capability	Intelligence and Information Sharing	
Secondary Core Capability	Operational Coordination	
Build or Sustain	Sustaining/Maintaining	
WORK PLANNED	IDENTIFIED GAP/NEED	ANTICIPATED PROJECT IMPACT
Participate in partner agency exercises, drills, and workshops and in the hot wash/AAR process of the partner agency conducting the exercise.	Exercising provides a realistic learning environment that affords the opportunity for improvement. Post-incident critiques often confirm that experience gained during exercises was the best way to prepare teams to respond effectively to an emergency. Exercises are designed to engage team members and get them working together to manage the response to a hypothetical incident. Exercises enhance knowledge of plans, allow members to improve their own performance, and identify opportunities to improve capabilities to respond to real events.	By participating in these exercises, WCSO-DEM staff will strengthen relationships with partners and gain an understanding of their roles during an emergency response that may be coordinated by a different organization. WCSO-DEM staff will be better able to integrate into and support another agency's response.
Conduct exercises, using a variety of formats (e.g., table-top, functional, full-scale, drill, workshop) and scenarios (e.g., volcano, communications, wildland fire, flood, etc.), and develop AAR/IPs. Any real-world activation will be considered the equivalent of an exercise.	Exercising provides a realistic learning environment that affords the opportunity for improvement. Post-incident critiques often confirm that experience gained during exercises was the best way to prepare teams to respond effectively to an emergency. Exercises are designed to engage team members and get them working together to manage the response to a hypothetical incident. Exercises enhance knowledge of plans, allow members to improve their own performance, and identify opportunities to improve capabilities to respond to real events.	By participating in these exercises, WCSO-DEM staff will strengthen relationships with partners and gain an understanding of their roles during an emergency response that may be coordinated by a different organization. WCSO-DEM staff will be better able to integrate into and support another agency's response.

TIMELINE

FY 2025 Emergency Management Performance Grant

The purpose of this attachment is to identify applicable and agreed upon due dates for Grant Agreement milestones to include deliverables that must be submitted to the Department. Both the Department and the Subrecipient shall monitor adherence with the dates below.

DATE	TASK
June 1, 2025	Grant Agreement Start Date
July 31, 2026	Submit reimbursement request
September 30, 2026	Grant Agreement End Date – <i>all work must be complete</i>
November 15, 2026	Submit final reimbursement request, final report, training requirement report, and/or other deliverables.

The Subrecipient must request **prior** written approval from Department Key Personnel to waive or extend a due date in the above Timeline.

For waived or extended reimbursement due dates, all allowable costs should be submitted on the next scheduled reimbursement due date contained in the above Timeline.

BUDGET

FY 2025 Emergency Management Performance Grant

The purpose of this attachment is to identify how the funding is budgeted for the identified activities in the Work Plan. If funding is identified as not being required, contact the Department Key Personnel as soon as possible so funding can be reallocated.

25EMPG AWARD \$ 65,507.00

SOLUTION AREA	BUDGET CATEGORY	EMPG AMOUNT	MATCH AMOUNT
PLANNING	Personnel & Fringe Benefits	\$ -	\$ -
	Travel/Per Diem	\$ -	\$ -
	Supplies	\$ -	\$ -
	Consultants/Contracts	\$ -	\$ -
	Other	\$ -	\$ -
	Subtotal	\$ -	\$ -
ORGANIZATION	Personnel & Fringe Benefits	\$ 65,507	\$ -
	Travel/Per Diem	\$ -	\$ -
	Supplies	\$ -	\$ -
	Consultants/Contracts	\$ -	\$ -
	Other	\$ -	\$ 65,507
	Subtotal	\$ 65,507	\$ 65,507
EXERCISE	Personnel & Fringe Benefits	\$ -	\$ -
	Travel/Per Diem	\$ -	\$ -
	Supplies	\$ -	\$ -
	Consultants/Contracts	\$ -	\$ -
	Other	\$ -	\$ -
	Subtotal	\$ -	\$ -
TRAINING	Personnel & Fringe Benefits	\$ -	\$ -
	Travel/Per Diem	\$ -	\$ -
	Supplies	\$ -	\$ -
	Consultants/Contracts	\$ -	\$ -
	Other	\$ -	\$ -
	Subtotal	\$ -	\$ -
EQUIP	Equipment	\$ -	\$ -
	Subtotal	\$ -	\$ -
M&A	Personnel & Fringe Benefits	\$ -	\$ -
	Travel/Per Diem	\$ -	\$ -
	Supplies	\$ -	\$ -
	Consultants/Contracts	\$ -	\$ -
	Other	\$ -	\$ -
	Subtotal	\$ -	\$ -
	Indirect	\$ -	\$ -
Indirect Cost Rate on file		0.00%	for Time Period of: N/A
TOTAL Grant Agreement AMOUNT:		\$ 65,507	\$ 65,507

The Subrecipient will provide a match of **\$65,507** of non-federal origin, 50% of the total project cost (local budget plus EMPG award).

Cumulative transfers to budget categories in excess of ten percent (10%) of the Grant Agreement Amount will not be reimbursed without **prior** written approval from the Department.

Funding Source: U.S. Department of Homeland Security - PI# 753PT – EMPG

BUILD AMERICA, BUY AMERICA ACT SELF-CERTIFICATION

The undersigned certifies, to the best of their knowledge and belief, that:

The Build America, Buy America Act (BABAA) requires that no federal financial assistance for "infrastructure" projects is provided "unless all of the iron, steel, manufactured products, and construction materials used in the project are produced in the United States." Section 70914 of Public Law No. 117-58, §§ 70901-52.

The undersigned certifies that for the Insert Project Name and Location that the iron, steel, manufactured products, and construction materials used in this contract are in full compliance with the BABAA requirements including:

- 1. All iron and steel used in the project are produced in the United States. This means all manufacturing processes, from the initial melting stage through the application of coatings, occurred in the United States.
- 2. All manufactured products purchased with FEMA financial assistance must be produced in the United States. For a manufactured product to be considered produced in the United States, the cost of the components of the manufactured product that are mined, produced, or manufactured in the United States is greater than 55% of the total cost of all components of the manufactured product, unless another standard for determining the minimum amount of domestic content of the manufactured product has been established under applicable law or regulation.
- 3. All construction materials are manufactured in the United States. This means that all manufacturing processes for the construction material occurred in the United States.

"The [Contractor or Subcontractor], _____, certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of each statement of its certification and disclosure, if any. In addition, the [Contractor or Subcontractor] understands and agrees that the provisions of 31 U.S.C. Chap. 38, Administrative Remedies for False Claims and Statements, apply to this certification and disclosure, if any."

Signature of [Contractor's or Subcontractor's] Authorized Official

Enter Name and Title
Name and Title of [Contractor's or Subcontractor's] Authorized Official

Date


SIGNATURE AUTHORIZATION FORM (SAF)

WASHINGTON MILITARY DEPARTMENT
Camp Murray, Washington 98430-5122

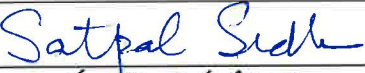

Please read instructions on page 2 before completing this form.

NAME OF ORGANIZATION Whatcom County	DATE SUBMITTED
GRANT PROGRAM - Acronyms Accepted 25EMPG	AGREEMENT NUMBER(S) E26-218



1. AUTHORIZING AUTHORITY

PHYSICAL SIGNATURE	E-SIGNATURE	PRINT OR TYPE NAME	TITLE & TERM OF OFFICE (If applicable)
		Satpal Singh Sidhu	Whatcom County Executive

2. AUTHORIZED TO SIGN AGREEMENTS / AMENDMENTS

PHYSICAL SIGNATURE	E-SIGNATURE	PRINT OR TYPE NAME	TITLE & TERM OF OFFICE (If applicable)
		Satpal Singh Sidhu	Whatcom County Executive
		Kayla Schott-Bresler	Deputy Executive

3. AUTHORIZED TO SIGN REQUESTS FOR REIMBURSEMENT

PHYSICAL SIGNATURE	E-SIGNATURE	PRINT OR TYPE NAME	TITLE & TERM OF OFFICE (If applicable)
		Donnell "Tank" Tanksley	Sheriff
		Steve Harris	Undersheriff

INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE SIGNATURE AUTHORIZATION FORM (SAF)

This form identifies the authorizing authority(ies) and person(s) who have the authority to sign agreements, amendments, and requests for reimbursement. It is required for the management of your agreement with the Washington Military Department (WMD). Please complete all sections. The signature and/or e-signatures included on this SAF must match what is on the agreement, amendment, debarment form, and A-19 invoice voucher submitted. It is required that the signatures in WMD's files are current. Changes in staffing or responsibilities will require a new SAF.

At least one person must be assigned to each of the three roles and the same person can be assigned to multiple roles. If more than one individual will be signing an agreement, amendment, or reimbursement request please make sure everyone signs this form. If additional lines are needed, please fill out two forms and title them 1 of 2 and 2 of 2.

1. **Authorizing Authority.** Generally, the person(s) signing in this section heads the governing body of the organization such as the board chair or mayor. In some cases, the chief executive officer may have been delegated this authority.
2. **Authorized to Sign Agreements / Amendments.** The person(s) given the authority to bind the agency/organization to the terms and conditions of the agreement. Usually, it is the county commissioner, mayor, executive director, city clerk, etc.
3. **Authorized to Sign Requests for Reimbursement.** Often the executive director, city clerk, treasurer, or administrative assistant have this authority. When a request for reimbursement is received, the signature on the A-19 invoice voucher is verified that it matches the signature on this form. **It is advisable to have more than one person authorized to sign reimbursement requests.** This will help prevent delays in processing a request if one person is temporarily unavailable. The payment can be delayed if the request is presented without the proper signature.

Once filled out, send the original to WMD with the signed agreement. It is recommended you keep a copy with the executed agreement in your files. Multiple grant agreements can be included on one SAF if they are all under the same grant program (e.g., 22EMPG and 23EMPG). Two distinct grant programs cannot be included on the same SAF (e.g., SHSP and EMPG).

If you have any questions regarding this form or to request new forms, please call your main grant point of contact at WMD.

Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility or Voluntary Exclusion Certification Form

NAME Whatcom County		Doing business as (DBA)	
ADDRESS 311 Grand Avenue Bellingham, WA 98225	Applicable Procurement or Solicitation #, if any:	WA Uniform Business Identifier (UBI) 370-010-246	Federal Employer Tax Identification #: 91-6001383
This certification is submitted as part of a request to contract.			

Instructions For Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion--Lower Tier Covered Transactions

READ CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING THE CERTIFICATION. Federal regulations require contractors and bidders to sign and abide by the terms of this certification, without modification, in order to participate in certain transactions directly or indirectly involving federal funds.

1. By signing and submitting this proposal, the prospective lower tier participant is providing the certification set out below.
2. The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was entered into. If it is later determined that the prospective lower tier participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.
3. The prospective lower tier participant shall provide immediate written notice to the department, institution or office to which this proposal is submitted if at any time the prospective lower tier participant learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or had become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.
4. The terms covered transaction, debarred, suspended, ineligible, lower tier covered transaction, participant, person, primary covered transaction, principal, proposal, and voluntarily excluded, as used in this clause, have the meaning set out in the Definitions and Coverage sections of rules implementing Executive Order 12549. You may contact the person to which this proposal is submitted for assistance in obtaining a copy of those regulations.
5. The prospective lower tier participant agrees by submitting this proposal that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is proposed for debarment under the applicable CFR, debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the department or agency with which this transaction originated.
6. The prospective lower tier participant further agrees by submitting this proposal that it will include this clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion--Lower Tier Covered Transaction," without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions.
7. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that it is not proposed for debarment under applicable CFR, debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant may decide the method and frequency by which it determines the eligibility of its principals. Each participant may, but is not required to, check the List of Parties Excluded from Federal Procurement and Non-procurement Programs.
8. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of a participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business activity.
9. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph 5 of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is proposed for debarment under applicable CFR, suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.

Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion--Lower Tier Covered Transactions

The prospective lower tier participant certifies, by submission of this proposal or contract, that neither it nor its principals is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency. Where the prospective lower tier participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this form.

Bidder or Contractor Signature: Satpal Sidhu

Date: 5-1-26

Print Name and Title: Satpal Singh Sidhu, Whatcom County Executive

FEDERAL DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION INELIGIBILITY and VOLUNTARY EXCLUSION

(FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS)

What is "Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility, and Voluntary Exclusion"?

These terms refer to the status of a person or company that cannot contract with or receive grants from a federal agency.

In order to be debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded, you must have:

- had a contract or grant with a federal agency, and
- gone through some process where the federal agency notified or attempted to notify you that you could not contract with the federal agency.
- Generally, this process occurs where you, the contractor, are not qualified or are not adequately performing under a contract, or have violated a regulation or law pertaining to the contract.

Why am I required to sign this certification?

You are requesting a contract or grant with the Washington Military Department. Federal law (Executive Order 12549) requires Washington Military Department ensure that persons or companies that contract with Washington Military Department are not prohibited from having federal contracts.

What is Executive Order 12549?

Executive Order 12549 refers to Federal Executive Order Number 12549. The executive order was signed by the President and directed federal agencies to ensure that federal agencies, and any state or other agency receiving federal funds were not contracting or awarding grants to persons, organizations, or companies who have been excluded from participating in federal contracts or grants. Federal agencies have codified this requirement in their individual agency Code of Federal Regulations (CFRs).

What is the purpose of this certification?

The purpose of the certification is for you to tell Washington Military Department in writing that you have not been prohibited by federal agencies from entering into a federal contract.

What does the word "proposal" mean when referred to in this certification?

Proposal means a solicited or unsolicited bid, application, request, invitation to consider or similar communication from you to Washington Military Department.

What or who is a "lower tier participant"?

Lower tier participants means a person or organization that submits a proposal, enters into contracts with, or receives a grant from Washington Military Department, OR any subcontractor of a contract with Washington Military Department. If you hire subcontractors, you should require them to sign a certification and keep it with your subcontract.

What is a covered transaction when referred to in this certification?

Covered Transaction means a contract, oral or written agreement, grant, or any other arrangement where you contract with or receive money from Washington Military Department. Covered Transaction does not include mandatory entitlements and individual benefits.

Sample Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility, Voluntary Exclusion Contract Provision

Debarment Certification. The Contractor certifies that the Contractor is not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participating in this Contract by any Federal department or agency. If requested by Washington Military Department, the Contractor shall complete a Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility, and Voluntary Exclusion form. Any such form completed by the Contractor for this Contract shall be incorporated into this Contract by reference.