SLIGP 2.0 Grant Awards

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Overview

NTIA intends to award SLIGP 2.0 grants that will leverage SLIGP unspent balances to support activities in states where FirstNet is deploying the Radio Access Network (RAN), subject to the availability of funding.

State and Local Implementation Grant Program (SLIGP) recipients have not expended funds as quickly as expected. NTIA expects that approximately $45-47 million will remain unspent at the end of the period of performance in February 2018.
The following factors contributed to the potentially large unspent balance:

- **SLIGP Grant Formula**
  - 25% Landmass
  - 75% Population

- **Other Factors**
  - Some recipients noted difficulties expending grant funds in light of current allowable activities.
  - NTIA anticipated that data collection would be a more extensive activity than actually needed in 2015 and 2016.

*NTIA anticipates slightly more than 20% of SLIGP recipients will spend all of the grant funds by the end date.*
Background

*According to notional timeline discussed during FirstNet Governance Board meeting
Approach: Leveraging Unspent Balances

Timeline is notional and subject to change

**Today**
- NTIA announces intent to launch SLIGP 2.0

**November 2016**
- Recipients desiring to deobligate excess grant funds notify NTIA

**November 2016 - February 2017**
- NTIA helps recipients modify budgets to deobligate excess grant funds

**Spring/Summer 2017**
- NTIA releases SLIGP 2.0 Federal Funding Opportunity (FFO), subject to availability of funds*

**Fall/Winter 2018**
- NTIA commits year two funding for SLIGP 2.0 awards**

**March - August 2018**
- NTIA and NIST complete closeout of all SLIGP grants and deobligate and recover unspent grant funds

**December 2017 - February 2018**
- SLIGP recipients begin closeout activities

**Fall/Winter 2017**
- NTIA and NIST review applications and award year one funding for SLIGP 2.0 awards**

*Pending NTIA leadership approval
**Subject to availability of funds

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<td>All funds (Phase 1 and Phase 2) obligated simultaneously for the entire period of performance</td>
<td>Multi-year funding (Year 1 obligated Fall/Winter 2017; Year 2 obligated subject to availability of funding in Fall/Winter 2018)</td>
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Budget Modification Process

1. Recipients notify NTIA that they would like to modify their budgets to deobligate excess grant funds.

2. NTIA conducts one-on-one calls with these recipients to complete modifications in real time.

3. Recipients submit previously reviewed budget modification packages to NTIA.

4. NTIA and NIST review and approve recipients' modification packages.

5. NIST notifies recipients that their budget modifications have been approved.

- NTIA and/or NIST action
- Recipient action
# Future Decision Points

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| NTIA plans to release a new FFO for SLIGP 2.0 grants | • NTIA must recover enough funds to make grants viable  
• FFO would be released after a new administration takes office |
| NTIA awards year two funding to recipients of SLIGP 2.0 grants | • Year two funding is subject to the availability of funds after original SLIGP awards end in December 2017 through February 2018 |
Next Steps

• **November 2016:** NTIA releases guidance outlining budget modification process *(Today)*

• **Mid-November 2016:** OPSC presents overview of SLIGP 2.0 grants during plenary session at the FirstNet SPOC meeting

• **November 2016-February 2017:** NTIA and recipients begin the budget modification process to voluntarily deobligate projected excess grant funds
Questions