

## **Request for Applications - Regional Flood Planning**

Pursuant to 31 TAC 361, Subchapter F, the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) requests submission of regional flood planning grant applications leading to the possible award of contracts to develop a regional flood plan as described in 31 TAC Chapter 361. In order to receive a grant, the applicant must be a political subdivision of the state and must have been designated a planning group sponsor by a regional flood planning group (RFPG) as set forth in 31 TAC §361.12(a)(1).

### **Purpose and Objectives**

Activities to be performed under this Request for Applications (RFA) will be based on a scope of work developed by TWDB that supports Regional Flood Planning Group (RFPG) efforts to complete their 2023 Regional Flood Plans in accordance with statute, rule, and guidance requirements.

### **Description of Funding Consideration**

Total funding for activities related to the development or revision of a regional flood plan must not exceed 100 percent of the total cost of the planning for that regional flood planning area. Funds awarded for grants under this request for applications may total up to the amount of funds appropriated for such activities for the Fiscal 2020-2021 biennium.

In the event that acceptable applications are not submitted or that insufficient funds are available to fund proposed activities, TWDB retains the right to not award and/or commit contract funds.

### **Review Criteria**

Applications will be evaluated according to the criteria listed in 31 TAC §361.70(f):

1. Degree to which proposed flood planning does not duplicate previous or ongoing flood or water planning;
2. Application organization, responsiveness, and reasonableness of budget;
3. Scope of work;
4. Eligibility of tasks for funding;
5. The relative need of the Planning Group Sponsor for the funding based upon an assessment of the necessary scope of work, amount of work, and cost to develop the regional flood plan as compared to statewide needs for development of all regional flood plans;
6. The degree to which the scope of work associated with the funding and to be performed by the RFPG will address the flood risks in the flood planning region; and
7. Conformance with the requirements in the Board request for applications including other information as may be required in the application.

Applicants should review and utilize the following documents, also found online at <http://www.twdb.texas.gov/flood/planning/planningdocu/2023/index.asp>

1. [Regional Flood Planning Grant Application Instructions](#)
2. [Regional Flood Planning Grant Application Checklist](#)

3. [Draft Regional Flood Planning Grant Scope of Work](#)
4. [Draft Contractor \(RFPG Sponsor\) Task Budget](#)

**Contact Person for Additional Information**

Requests for information may be directed to James Bronikowski at [floodplanning@twdb.texas.gov](mailto:floodplanning@twdb.texas.gov) or by calling (512) 475-0145.

**Deadline**

One complete regional flood planning grant application must be submitted electronically via email and in Portable Document Format (PDF) to TWDB no later than 2:00 PM (CST) on January 21, 2021. TWDB file limit is 100 MB.

Applications must be emailed to [purchasing@twdb.texas.gov](mailto:purchasing@twdb.texas.gov) with a copy to Angela Wallace at [angela.wallace@twdb.texas.gov](mailto:angela.wallace@twdb.texas.gov).