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To: Department Heads, CFOs, Agency Federal Funding Points of Contact

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Subject: FY 2023-24 OSBM State Technical Assistance and Match Program (STAMP)

In the latest Appropriations Act, OSBM received \$10 million from the Federal Infrastructure Match Reserve to assist state agencies in applying for federal funding opportunities made possible by the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) (P.L. 117-58), the Chips and Science Act of 2022 (CHIPS) (P.L. 117-167), and the Inflation Reduction Act of 2022 (IRA) (P.L. 117-169).

This appropriation provides funding for two activities:

- 1) Technical assistance to aid state agencies in applying for federal grants, including hiring time-limited positions or third-party contractors or consultants.
- 2) State matching funds to meet match requirements.

OSBM is developing a process for state agencies to apply for support and expects to release formal guidance in November. To assist OSBM in developing these applications, **agencies interested in technical assistance or state matching funds should fill out this [survey](#) by November 7th**, providing the following information on funding opportunities your agency is applying for or plans to apply for before June 30, 2024:

- Whether your agency needs (1) **In-house Support** (i.e., funds for your agency to hire time-limited positions or third-party contractors to support applying for a grant), (2) **OSBM-provided Support** (i.e., support from OSBM or a consulting team hired to provide technical assistance statewide), or (3) **state matching funds**.
- An estimate of the expected total request for technical assistance and an estimate of the expected total request for matching funds.
- For each federal funding opportunity:
 - The funding source;
 - The program name;
 - The application submission deadline;
 - An estimate of the funding amount being applied for;
 - A short description of the type of technical assistance you will need (e.g., temporary employees or contracted consultants and what duties each will carry out);

- A short description of the project, including any need to collaborate with other agencies or outside entities;
- Indication of if you will need a letter of support from the Governor's Office;
- Indication of if you will need a letter indicating availability of matching funds.

We look forward to supporting state agencies with competitive applications for these generational federal funding opportunities. If you have any questions or would like to discuss your request further, email federalfundsnrc@osbm.nc.gov.

Thank you.

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