Congressionally Directed Spending Eligible Accounts and Requirements

Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies

General Guidance

The subcommittee will not fund CDS requests for operational expenses or administrative salaries and benefits.

The following accounts are eligible for CDS requests

• Transportation Planning, Research, and Development (TPR&D)

- Projects must be eligible under title 23 or title 49 of United States Code. Planning for specific local highway, transit, or rail projects that are eligible under HIP, TIG, or CRISI should NOT be included in this account.
- It is encouraged to use this account for national or regional research and development projects.
- The Project Website for TPR&D projects should provide additional background behind the project.

• Grants-in-Aid for Airports (Airport Improvement Program or AIP)

- o Requests within the AIP account for airport projects must be eligible under chapter 471 of title 49, United States Code
- Requests are required to provide a link to the airport master plan that includes the requested project
- Provide the status of the planning and environmental work so the Subcommittee
 can assess the readiness of the project. Also provide a description of all other
 sources of funding contributing to the total cost of the project.

• Facilities and Equipment (F&E)

- o Only for terminal air traffic control tower facility replacement projects eligible under part A of subtitle VII of title 49, United States Code.
- o Required to provide a link to the airport master plan
- O Provide a statement of why the tower needs to be replaced. Required to provide the age of the tower, number of enplanements, operational line of sight issues, other related infrastructure work not covered by the cost of replacing the air traffic control tower (roads, utilities, etc.), and any other information to justify the project.
- o Required to provide the status of the planning and environmental work so the Subcommittee can assess the readiness of the project
- o Including the total cost of the project, the CDS funding amount, and any other identified sources of funding.

• Highway Infrastructure Program (HIP)

o For highway projects eligible under title 23, United States Code, including, but not

limited to, highway and bridge construction projects, planning, environmental review, design, and right-of-way acquisition.

- o Operational expenses are not eligible
- o Required to provide a link to the STIP or TIP that includes the requested project.
- NOTE: This year, request can receive funding for highway projects that are not currently on the STIP or TIP, but for which a State DOT has provided a letter confirming that:
 - (1) the project is eligible for Federal-aid highway funding under title 23, United States Code;
 - (2) the State DOT is willing to carry out the project if funding is enacted; and
 - (3) the State DOT will include the project on the STIP or TIP once funding for the project is enacted.

• Transit Infrastructure Grants (TIG)

- o For transit projects eligible under chapter 53 of title 49, United States Code
- o Required to provide a link to the STIP or TIP that includes the requested project.
- o **NOTE:** This year, request can receive funding for transit projects that are not currently on the STIP or TIP, but for which a transit agency has provided a letter confirming that:
 - (1) the project is eligible for transit funding under chapter 53 of title 49, United States Code;
 - (2) the transit agency is willing to carry out the project if funding is enacted; and
 - (3) the transit agency will include the project on the STIP or TIP once funding for the project is enacted.

• Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvement (CRISI) Grants

- o For rail projects eligible under section 22907 of title 49, United States Code
- o Required to provide a link to the State Rail Plan that includes the requested project.
- NOTE: This year, Member can receive funding for rail projects that are not currently on State rail plan, but for which a State rail agency or State DOT has provided a letter confirming that:
 - (1) the project is eligible for rail funding under section 22907 of title 49, United States Code;
 - (2) the State rail agency, State DOT, or other relevant State agency is willing to carry out the project if funding is enacted; and
 - (3) the State rail agency or State DOT will include the project on the State Rail Plan once funding for the project is enacted.

• Community Development Fund for Economic Development Initiatives (EDI)

- o For activities eligible under chapter 69 of title 42, United States Code, as well as for affordable housing construction
- Projects that address affordable housing, community services, and economic development.
- o Examples of eligible EDI projects include, but are not limited to:
 - Acquisition of real property (land, water rights, buildings);

- Construction of new affordable housing;
- Blight removal or remediation; and,
- Construction, rehabilitation, and improvements of public facilities (except buildings for general conduct of government), such as neighborhood centers, parks, and shelter for persons having special needs such as survivors of domestic violence and the homeless.
- For more information on types of eligible activities, Member offices should review HUD's resources on the CDBG program here.
- Encouraged to include relevant data on how activities or projects address at least one of the three National Objectives of the broader CDBG program in order to be considered for funding by the Subcommittee:
 - (1) benefit low- and moderate-income persons or communities;
 - (2) prevent or eliminate slums or blight; or
 - (3) address community development needs having a particular urgency because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community for which other funding is not available.