

FRSGP Conference Call Summary
June 9, 2011
1:00PM, EDT

Opening Comments:

Good afternoon, welcome to the weekly Freight Rail Security (FRSGP) conference call. First, a reminder about key dates for the submittal of your applications. The deadline for submitting your SF-424 is June 13, 2011 and must be processed through www.grants.gov. All other required application forms, such as; your IJs, budgets etc., must be submitted via ND grants, no later than 11:59pm EDT, June 20, 2011.

FEMA sent out an email this morning from ASKcsid@dhs.gov concerning www.grants.gov being down on the 11th and 12th of June, which is this weekend. It will be back up for business on Monday June 13th, the same date the SF-424's are due, therefore, it is recommended the sooner you submit yours into grants.gov, the better the chances are it will be a smooth process.

Also there have been several questions about the amounts to put on the SF-424, we recommend over estimating, because the actual amount needs to be covered when you put in the remainder of the completed package, which are due on the following Monday. And please don't be overly concerned about the amount not exactly matching what you end up submitting on your IJs and budgets; we understand cost estimates may change between June 13 and June 20, and will look to your IJs and detailed budgets for your exact/final requests.

We received this question earlier this week, and it will be posted under emailed Q&A's on our website, http://www.tsa.gov/what_we_do/grants/programs/frsgp/2011/index.shtm, by the end of this week.

Q: Does the 4.9 million gross-tons qualifying factor apply to the entire subdivision or district? Many short line or regional railroads don't generate this magnitude of raw tons over a single structure, so if it is GTMs can you please clarify if it is calculated for the whole railroad, the subdivision, the district or other criteria.

A: The 4.9 million gross-tons qualifying factor does not apply to the subdivision or district. It is meant for the infrastructure itself and approaches to the infrastructure.

Questions:

There are none.

Closing Comments:

Thank you for calling in and we will have a final conference call next Thursday, even though the SF-424's are due on Monday the 13th. The call in number is 877-988-9660, and the pin is

6827433. Any changes to the conference call schedule will be sent out through ASKCSID@dhs.gov and TSAGrants@tsa.dhs.gov.

If you do have any questions before next week's call, you may submit them via an email to ASKCSID (ASKCSID@dhs.gov) and carbon copy TSA Grants (TSAGrants@tsa.dhs.gov).

Thank you.

This concludes the call.