



## Arizona Department of Homeland Security

### FFY 2010 Interoperable Emergency Communications Grant Program (IECGP) Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

#### 1. What is the purpose of the FFY 2010 IECGP?

The purpose of the FFY 2010 IECGP is to improve interoperable emergency communications, including communications in response to natural disasters, acts of terrorism, and other man-made disasters.

#### 2. How much funding is available under the FFY 2010 IECGP?

The total amount of funds distributed under the FFY 2010 IECGP will be \$48 million (\$831,500 for Arizona).

#### 3. Are there any key changes between the FFY 2009 and FFY 2010 IECGP?

The requirement that no more than 50% of total program funds could be used for personnel activities has been removed. Additionally, the use of FEMA preparedness grant funds for maintenance contracts warranties, repair or replacement costs, upgrades, and user fees are allowable under all active and future grant awards, unless otherwise noted. Please refer to "other Allowable Costs- Maintenance and Sustainment" in the guidance for more information.

#### 4. Who is eligible to apply for FFY 2010 IECGP funds?

The State Administrative Agency (SAA) is the only agency eligible to apply for FFY 2010 IECGP funds and is responsible for obligating the funds to the appropriate local units of government or other designated recipients.

#### 5. What are the key milestones associated with the FFY 2010 IECGP?

The key milestones associated with FFY 2010 IECGP are:

- December 8, 2009: Release date for FFY 2010 IECGP Grant Guidance and Application Kit
- **January 15, 2010: Application due to the SAA by Stakeholder no later than 5:00 pm**
- February 12, 2010: Applications due to DHS-FEMA by the SAA

#### 6. What is the FFY 2010 IECGP period of performance?

The period of performance for Arizona stakeholders is 24 months.