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# News from Region 10



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## FY23 CTP Program: Call for Executive Summaries

### FEMA Region 10

Through the Risk Mapping, Assessment, and Planning (Risk MAP) Cooperating Technical Partners (CTP) program, FEMA Region 10 offers an annual grant funding opportunity for projects that support flood hazard mapping, natural hazard risk reduction, and community awareness and resilience.

For the upcoming (FY2023) grant cycle, Region 10 is now beginning the initial planning process by requesting initial proposals from potential partners for consideration in the FY23 funding opportunity. By starting the planning process now, the Region can have more time to work collaboratively with potential partners to select and develop successful grant applications, optimize project scopes, answer applicant questions, and be ready to award grants quickly and effectively at the time funding may become available. Any grants resulting from the FY23 CTP program would be

anticipated for award in late Summer or early Fall 2023.

All potential applicants for the FY23 CTP Program must submit an **Executive Summary** by **COB January 31, 2023**.

The Executive Summary should include and address: project background and summary, program alignment, local advocacy, relevant experience, project planning, anticipated deliverables, and potential for project scaling (if applicable). Please note that all sections in the template must be completed in order for FEMA to consider your request. FEMA Region 10 will then review all submitted Executive Summaries to determine which requests can be supported for development of a full CTP grant proposal.

Please consider the following FEMA Region 10 priorities and metrics as you develop your Executive Summary. All proposals are selected through a competitive process, and any projects that support the following regional priorities will be given highest preference:

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## Newsletter Ideas?

Want to spread the word about an upcoming event or recent success story? Let us know what you want to see in future issues! Articles can be up to 500 words and may include pictures.

Email: [RXNewsletter@starr-team.com](mailto:RXNewsletter@starr-team.com).

### FY23 Executive Summaries (Cont'd)

- Projects that support the Region's ability to collect field survey and/or elevation information (e.g., LiDAR) for future flood mapping production.
- Projects that help the Region assess its New, Validated, and Updated Engineering (NVUE) floodplain miles and decrease paper map inventory.
- Projects that promote multiple benefit studies (i.e., multi-hazard, climate change, endangered species, etc.) in relation to Risk MAP.
- Projects that develop, utilize, or leverage Risk MAP products for integration into a community's risk reduction communications and decision making.
- Projects that support specific elements of [the FEMA Strategic Plan 2022-2026](#) at the state, tribal and community level.

*Please submit your Executive Summaries and questions via email to [FEMA-R10-CTP@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:FEMA-R10-CTP@fema.dhs.gov). Ask about the Executive Summary Template for FY23!*

*For general information about the National CTP Program, please visit the following link on [FEMA.gov: Cooperating Technical Program \(CTP\) Program](#).*

## Flood Control Assistance Account Program (FCAAP)

### Washington Department of Ecology

As fall and winter wet weather return, communities across the state are bracing for potential floods. In Washington, the costs associated with flooding exceed all other natural hazards. In any given year, there is better than an 80 percent chance that 10 or more flood events will occur, and the frequency of floods will increase as the climate changes.

The Washington State Legislature established the [Flood Control Assistance Account Program \(FCAAP\)](#) in 1984 to help local and tribal governments plan for and reduce their flood risks. Preparing for and avoiding flood damages is particularly important because storms are increasing in strength and frequency while sea levels are rising. Responding to a flood emergency often costs four to seven times more than investing in preventative measures, which save about \$6 for every \$1 spent.

The FCAAP is expected have up to \$2.3 million in available funding for the 2023-25 state biennium (the exact amount will be determined by the legislative process). The application period for these planning grants will be open in Ecology's Administration of Grants and Loans (EAGL) online system on Wednesday, February 15, 2023, and run through Thursday, March 30, 2023.

The FCAAP is a funding source for the creation of Comprehensive Flood Hazard Management Plans (CFHMPs). The CFHMPs are intended to help communities identify, inform, prepare for, and mitigate flood hazards that affect their citizens, businesses, and

## Ask the Help Desk

The Region 10 Service Center is here to help local community officials and stakeholders with technical, training, mitigation, and mapping questions.

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infrastructure. They also position communities for success in various federal, state, local, and tribal grants programs. More information on the intent of the program and guidance on how to create a CFHMP is available at [Ecology's FCAAP website](#). In early December, the new Funding Guidelines and application instructions will be posted to the website.

Following from the 2021-23 funding cycle, we will once again emphasize grants for comprehensive flood hazard planning. Priority funding will be awarded for planning efforts that support creating a new, or updating an existing, CFHMP that benefits underserved communities. Priority funds will also be awarded for stakeholder outreach or technical studies that support the development of a CFHMP.

Ecology is hosting two virtual FCAAP application workshops for interested applicants. The workshop information is below:

**Wednesday, January 11<sup>th</sup>**  
**10:00 – 11:30 a.m.**

[Register for the Jan. 11 workshop](#)

**Thursday, January 19<sup>th</sup>**  
**1:00 – 2:30 p.m.**

[Register for the Jan. 19 workshop](#)

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*FCAAP Workshops (Cont'd)*

Applications to the FCAAP will be scored and ranked in spring 2023, and final funding decisions will be announced in July 2023. For Ecology to gauge the level of interest in this grant program, we ask that you send an email to Scott McKinney if you intend to apply for a grant this round. This is completely voluntary and does not require you to apply or preclude you from applying.

**Online Training**

(All times Pacific)

**No December classes scheduled at this time; stay tuned for 2023 offerings.**

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To register for online courses, visit STARR's training site: [j.mp/starronlinetraining](https://j.mp/starronlinetraining), or email [RXTraining@starr-team.com](mailto:RXTraining@starr-team.com).

