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Santee Cooper Grid Resilience Grant Proposal Draft Comments

Below are Greenwood CPW's comments on the Proposed Draft Program Narrative. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us.

- Projects helping underserved communities are very important. Not every part or every project will be able to do that and tackle overall grid resiliency. How is that being addressed in grading proposals?
- Is a project viewed more favorably if it involves contracted work versus in house labor?
- If we already have an apprenticeship program, will that count toward the labor requirement?
- Dollar Weighted Impact Is the greatest level of impact per dollar requested going to involve customer count at all? If so it could give larger or more densely populated areas an advantage even in the same class of utility.
- What dollar amount is going to be considered a medium to large project for the municipals? This needs to be defined to help us determine projects.
- Page 4, Objective 4, Bullet 2 of the narrative draft says "installation of battery storage at substations to serve load during disruptive events" is an acceptable project. In the presentation though on slide 9 it lists ineligible project types as "Construction of new generating facility or large-scale battery storage facility". Where is the dividing line for those project types?
- Please keep in mind most of the smaller municipals do not have full time grant writers on staff. Keeping the required paperwork volume down and making it easy to use and fill out will be an important step toward getting good quality submittals.

Sincerely,

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