



Dear West Coast Collaborative Partners:

**2019 DERA National Grant Program Request for Applications is now open!**

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is pleased to announce the release of the 2019 Diesel Emissions Reductions Act (DERA) Clean Diesel Funding Assistance Program Request for Applications (RFA). EPA is announcing the availability of approximately \$40 million in competitive grant funding through this RFA. The Program is soliciting applications nationwide for projects that achieve significant diesel emission reductions, particularly from fleets operating in poor air quality areas.

Eligible applicants include regional, state, local or tribal agencies, or port authorities, with jurisdiction over transportation or air quality. Nonprofit organizations may apply if they provide pollution reduction or educational services to diesel fleet owners or have, as their principal purpose, the promotion of transportation or air quality.

**Applications must be submitted electronically to EPA through [Grants.gov](https://www.grants.gov) no later than Wednesday, March 6, 2019, at 8:59PM PST in order to be considered for funding.**

Region 9 (Arizona, California, Hawaii, Nevada, Guam, American Samoa, Northern Mariana Islands) will accept applications requesting up to \$4,000,000 in DERA grant funds.

Region 10 (Alaska, Idaho, Oregon, Washington) will accept applications requesting up to \$1,000,000 in DERA grant funds.

**Informational Webinars**

**Tuesday, January 8, 2019 at 12:00-2:00PM PST**

Join at: <https://meet.lync.com/usepa/swift.faye/DT100MVK?s=1>

**Wednesday, January 9, 2019 at 11:00AM-1:00PM PST**

Join at: <https://meet.lync.com/usepa/swift.faye/JK0F9RG3?s=1>

**Call-In: 1-202-991-0477; Participant Code: 4149804#**

**References**

More information on the 2019 DERA National RFA can be found at: <https://www.epa.gov/cleandiesel/clean-diesel-national-grants>

2019 DERA National RFA document can be viewed/downloaded at: <https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2018-12/documents/clean-diesel-funding-assistance-program-fy2019.pdf>

EPA Press Release 12/20/18: <https://www.epa.gov/newsreleases/epa-announces-40-million-funding-reduce-emissions-diesel-engines>

You can view fact sheets for past West Coast Collaborative DERA projects at:  
<https://westcoastcollaborative.org/projects-list.htm>

We hope that you find this message useful, and that you will be able to apply for this EPA grant opportunity.

Sincerely,

West Coast Collaborative Team

**About the [West Coast Collaborative \(WCC\)](http://www.westcoastcollaborative.org/)**

The WCC, staffed by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA's) Pacific Southwest Region 9 and Pacific Northwest Region 10 Offices, protects public health by reducing diesel emissions and promoting clean air technologies and practices through public-private partnerships in Western North America. The Collaborative is an ambitious partnership between leaders from federal, state, local and tribal government, the private sector, and environmental groups committed to reducing diesel emissions along the West Coast. Our partners come from all over Western North America, including: California, Oregon, Washington, Alaska, Arizona, Idaho, Nevada, Hawaii, Canada, Mexico, Asian Pacific regions, and Pacific Islands that include the Territory of Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and the Territory of American Samoa. The Collaborative is focused on creating, supporting and implementing diesel emissions reductions projects by providing technical assistance and funding opportunities. Visit us at: <http://www.westcoastcollaborative.org/>