

Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program

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Funding for Transportation Projects That Will Improve Air Quality and Reduce Traffic Congestion

About the FY2020 Competitive CMAQ Program for New Jersey

DVRPC administers federal Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement (CMAQ) funds that are allocated to the DVRPC New Jersey region (Burlington, Camden, Gloucester, and Mercer counties, including cities of Camden and Trenton) by the New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) on behalf of the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). The purpose of opening this program is to select new projects for federal fiscal years (FY) 2022, 2023, and 2024 that will reduce emissions from mobile sources in order to contribute to the attainment of the Clean Air Act standards. This is a *reimbursement* program for only CMAQ eligible costs under federal law.

\$5 Million is Available over FY22-24.

Of this total, at least \$1 Million is dedicated to fund construction-ready Circuit Trail projects. A local match is encouraged but not required.

Eligible Applicants

Any public agency or incorporated private firm or non-profit entity may apply. In a Private-Public Partnership (P3), the public agency partner is responsible for applying and overseeing and protecting the investment of the CMAQ funds used in a P3 project.

Projects must Benefit Air Quality!

Eligible project types (some of which may have restrictions) typically include:

- Alternative Fuel Infrastructure
- Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities and Programs
- Congestion Reduction and Traffic Flow Improvements
- Experimental Pilot Projects
- Extreme Low-Temperature Cold Start Programs
- Freight/Intermodal
- Idle Reduction

- Inspection and Maintenance (I&M) Programs
- Public Education, Outreach, and Training Activities
- Transportation Control Measures
- Transportation Demand Management
- Transit Vehicle Purchase to Expand an Existing or Introduce a New Service for the General Public
- Transit Operating Assistance

Important Deadlines

(Updated on March 6, 2020 due to COVID-19)

Aug. 14, 2020: Applicants must meet with DVRPC to discuss their proposed project before submitting their applications.

Aug. 21, 2020: Applications due.

Oct. 2, 2020: Commitment/support letters, resolutions, and/or agreements due.

Jan. or Feb. 2020: DVRPC award notification. **October 2021–August 2024**: Awarded projects must receive federal authorization to proceed to advertisement.

Learn more at www.dvrpc.org/CMAQ

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