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Energy Infrastructure and Impact Office

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On behalf of the North Dakota Board of University and School Lands (Land Board), the Energy Infrastructure and Impact Office will accept grant applications from eligible political subdivisions for funds from the Energy Impact Grant program.

The 2015 Legislature established specific grant fund allocations for airports, K-12 schools, law enforcement, emergency response, nursing homes, and other targeted areas. This particular grant round will focus on political subdivisions within the seven counties that have oil and gas production, but which receive less of the shared of Oil Production Tax. Political subdivisions, including cities, counties, park districts, water resource districts, townships and other eligible public entities experiencing direct impacts from oil and gas development within the Golden Valley, Renville, McLean, Slope, Ward, McHenry, and Mercer Counties are eligible to apply.

Applications to address significant safety and security issues resulting from direct impacts of oil and gas development will be accepted until January 29, 2016.

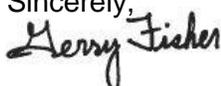
Projects submitted for grant requests should address significant safety or security issues and explain how the need is a direct result of impacts from oil and gas development. Coordinated efforts of multiple entities and requests for one-time projects will receive priority consideration.

While the Legislature allocated \$5 million to impacts in these seven counties, the reduced price of oil and the resulting reduced Gross Production Tax collections has resulted in less funding in the impact grant fund and the Land Board may award less than \$5 million, depending upon need.

The application form and list of required supporting documentation are available on the North Dakota Energy Impact Grant web page www.nd.gov/energyimpact. This internet site contains a PDF form that can be filled in and printed; or a MS Word version of the application form that can be completed on-screen. Please be sure to note in the narrative how your political subdivision qualifies based on each of the requirements.

Completed applications and supporting materials can be mailed to our office or e-mailed to energyimpact@nd.gov.

Grant applications will be reviewed by this office and an advisory committee upon receipt. Please provides daytime contact information so that contact can be made for any follow-up questions. The Land Board will determine the successful applicants as soon as possible.

Sincerely,


Gerry Fisher, Director
Claims and Grants Division