



FACT SHEFT

## **GRID RESILIENCE STATE AND TRIBAL FORMULA GRANTS:**

# **TEXAS**

As states, tribes, and territories face threats from severe weather, the **Grid Resilience State and Tribal Formula Grants** will distribute **\$2.3 billion** over five years to strengthen and modernize America's power grid against wildfires, extreme weather, and other natural disasters that are exacerbated by the climate crisis. The first round of funding applies to fiscal years 2022 and 2023.

In support of President Biden's Investing in America agenda, in June 2023, the U.S. Department of Energy awarded **\$60,589,141** to **Texas** via the Grid Resilience State and Tribal Formula Grants program, which is supported by the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law.

State awards are based on a formula that includes factors such as population size, land area, probability

and severity of disruptive events, and a locality's historical expenditures on mitigation efforts. Under the administration of the **Texas Division of Emergency Management**, Texas will hold a competitive selection process to identify projects, and direct awards for the roughly \$60.6 million in federal funding that will be deployed.

## **GOALS INCLUDE**

- Identifying gaps in grid resilience and minimizing disruption to normal grid operations during weather events through use of weatherization and modeling technologies as well as vegetation and fuel load management.
- Addressing disruptions experienced by low-income Texans and disadvantaged communities by ensuring more reliable electricity service.
- Increasing the skilled workforce within Texas by ensuring that any installed resilience measures can be operated and maintained without contractor support, whenever possible.
- Improving resilience to critical infrastructure facilities serving Texans that may be impacted by events that could cause disruption to normal grid operations.

### **HELPFUL LINKS**

- > Grid Resilience State and Tribal Formula Grant Program
- > About the Grid Deployment Office