

FACT SHEET

GRID RESILIENCE STATE AND TRIBAL FORMULA GRANTS: NEBRASKA

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 September 2023, the U.S. Department of Energy awarded **\$10,861,896** to **Nebraska** 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 **Nebraska Department of Environment and Energy**, Nebraska will hold a competitive selection process to

identify projects for which the roughly \$11 million in federal funding will be deployed.



- Restoring, strengthening, and/or replacing existing equipment and substations.
- Hardening the electric system components to help withstand extreme heat, cold, and severe storms, along with vegetation management.
- Acquiring adaptive protection technologies that would utilize real-time monitoring and enable the system to adjust to an optimal state.
- Supporting the creation of apprenticeships, goodpaying jobs, and continued training opportunities to acquire and maintain qualified electric energy technology workers.
- Ensuring that benefits from projects funded are distributed equitably to Nebraskans, including underserved communities.

HELPFUL LINKS

- › Grid Resilience State and Tribal Formula Grant Program
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