1. DATE ISSUED MM/DD/\	YYYY 1a. SUPER	SEDES AWARD NO	EDES AWARD NOTICE dated				
05/30/2023	· ·	except that any additions or restrictions previously imposed remain in effect unless specifically rescinded					
2. CFDA NO.		·					
97.091 - Project Grants							
3. ASSISTANCE TYPE Cooperative Agreement							
4. GRANT NO. 06OHBIO00	0014-18-00	5. TYPE OF AWA	5. TYPE OF AWARD				
Formerly 2006-ST-09	1-000016	Other	Other				
4a. FAIN 06OHBIO00014		5a. ACTION TYPI	5a. ACTION TYPE Non-Competing Continuation				
6. PROJECT PERIOD	MM/DD/YYYY		MM/DD/YYYY				
From	07/01/2006	Through	05/31/2025				
7. BUDGET PERIOD	MM/DD/YYYY		MM/DD/YYYY				
From	06/01/2023	Through	05/31/2024				

Department of Homeland Security

DHS Grants and Financial Assistance Division (GFAD)

301 7th Street, SW, RM 3051 Mail Stop 0115 Washington, DC 20528

NOTICE OF AWARD

AUTHORIZATION (Legislation/Regulations)
Homeland Security Act of 2002, Public Law 107-296, 6 U.S.C 188

8. TITLE OF PROJECT (OR PROGRAM)

BioWatch 2023/2024

9a. GRANTEE NAME AND ADDRESS			9b. GRANTEE PROJECT DIRECTOR					
PINELLAS, COUNTY OF			Shei	la Schneider				
14 S Fort Harrison Ave		315 (Court St Rm 601					
Cl	earwater, FL 33756-5105			Clear	water, FL 33756-5165			
			Phone: 7274644655					
10a. GF	RANTEE AUTHORIZING OFF	ICIAL		10b. FEDERAL PROJECT OFFICER				
S	neila Schneider			Ms. 7	Theresa Gallagher			
31	5 Court St Rm 601			7th A	and D Street SW			
CI	earwater, FL 33756-5165			Wash	nington, DC 20407-0001			
Phone: 7274644655			Phon	e: 202-923-0693				
			ALL AMOUNTS ARE S	 SHOWN IN U	JSD			
11. APP	ROVED BUDGET (Excludes [Direct Assistance)		12. AWARD	COMPUTATION			
I Finan	cial Assistance from the Feder	al Awarding Agency Only		a. Amount	of Federal Financial Assistance (from	item 11m)		253,256.0
II Total project costs including grant funds and all other financial participation		II	b. Less Unobligated Balance From Prior Budget Periods		108,145.00			
a.	Salaries and Wages		93,156.00	c. Less Cumulative Prior Award(s) This Budget Period				0.0
	Fringe Benefits		•	d. AMOUNT OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE THIS ACTION 145.1				145,111.0
b.	Fillige beliefits		61,110.00					2,973,345.0
c.	Total Personnel Costs		154,266.00	14. RECOMMENDED FUTURE SUPPORT				
d.	Equipment		0.00	(Subject to the availability of funds and satisfactory progress of the project):				
e.	Supplies		2,540.00	YEAR	TOTAL DIRECT COSTS	YEAR	тот	AL DIRECT COSTS
٥.			4 000 00	a. 19		d. 22		
f.	Travel		4,000.00	b. 20		e. 23		
g.	Construction		0.00	c. 21		f. 24		
h.	Other		17,815.00	0 15. PROGRAM INCOME SHALL BE USED IN ACCORD WITH ONE OF THE FOLLOWING ALTERNATIVES:				
i.	Contractual		15,500.00	a. b.	DEDUCTION ADDITIONAL COSTS			b
j.	TOTAL DIRECT COSTS	s —	194,121.00	c. d. e.	MATCHING OTHER RESEARCH (Add / Deduct Option) OTHER (See REMARKS)			
k.	INDIRECT COSTS		59,135.00					
I. TOTAL APPROVED BUDGET 253,256.0			ON THE ABOV	RD IS BASED ON AN APPLICATION SUBMITTE ETITLED PROJECT AND IS SUBJECT TO THE T				
		253,256.00	a.	ENCE IN THE FOLLOWING: The grant program legislation				
		b. The grant program regulations. c. This award notice including terms and conditions, if any, noted below under REMARKS.						
m. Federal Share		253,256.00	d. Federal administrative requirements, cost principles and audit requirements applicable to this grant.					
	n. Non-Federal Share 0.00		In the event there are conflicting or otherwise inconsistent policies applicable to the grant, the above order of precedence shall prevail. Acceptance of the grant terms and conditions is acknowledged by the grantee when funds are drawn or otherwise obtained from the grant payment system.					

GRANTS MANAGEMENT OFFICIAL:

Marsha Mathis, Director, Grants and Financial Assistance Division 7th and D Street SW Washington DC , DC 20407

Phone: (202)447-5950

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FY-ACCOUNT NO.	DOCUMENT NO.	ADMINISTRATIVE CODE	AMT ACTION FIN ASST		APPROPRIATION
21. a. O31570350411	b. OHBIO00014A	c. BIO	d.	\$145,111.00	e. 70350411
22. a.O11370130411	b. OHBIO00014B	c. BIO	d.	\$0.00	e. 70130411
23. a.	b.	C.	d.		e.

AWARD ATTACHMENTS

PINELLAS, COUNTY OF

06OHBIO00014-18-00

- 1. Award Letter
- 2. T&Cs
- 3. FY'23 DHS Standard T&Cs



May 30, 2023

Pinellas County Parks and Conservation Resources-Air Quality County Administrator 315 Court Street, Room 601 Clearwater, FL 33756-5165

RE: Award Number 06OHBIO00014 (Formerly: 2006-ST-091-000016)

Dear BioWatch Recipient:

Congratulations! I am pleased to inform you that the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) has approved your continuation application for a cooperative agreement award. Your total approved budget for the 06/01/2023 - 05/31/2024 budget period is \$253,256 (\$145,111 new funding + \$108,145 carryover). The official Notice of Grant Award (NGA) is enclosed to this Letter. Also enclosed are the Terms and Conditions to this award as administered by the Department of Homeland Security's (DHS) Grants and Financial Assistance Division (GFAD).

Please review carefully the attached Notice of Award. For the remainder of the period of performance for this award, both the new and former grant numbers should be referenced on any communication relating to this award. For the purpose of accessing authorized funding in the Payment Management System (PMS), please continue to reference the former grant number as outlined above.

Please also be reminded that the performance and financial reporting requirements associated with this award should be completed using the following instructions:

Quarterly Federal Financial Reports shall be submitted according to the reporting schedule outlined in GrantSolutions and using the FFR submission guidance found here: <u>Grant Solutions Federal Financial Report</u> All Federal Financial Reports should be submitted via GrantSolutions.

NEW!! Annual Performance Reports shall be submitted no later than 30 days following the end of a budget period using the submission guidance found here: <u>Grant Solutions Performance Progress Report.</u>

Should you have any questions concerning this award or the GrantSolutions system, please contact me directly at Marsha.Mathis@hq.dhs.gov.

Sincerely,

Marsha Mathis

Grants Officer
Grants and Financial Assistance Division (GFAD)/OPO

<u>CONTINUATION TERMS AND CONDITIONS</u> GRANTS AND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE DIVISION (GFAD)

In addition to the DHS Standard Terms and Conditions as outlined here: In addition to the DHS Standard Terms and Conditions shown in Article II, below, and at: <u>DHS Standard Terms and Conditions</u>, the following Terms and Conditions apply specifically to this Award as administered by the Grants and Financial Assistance Division (GFAD):

ARTICLE I. GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE TERMS AND CONDITIONS

A. GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

This award is subject to the requirements of the Terms and Conditions outlined in your original award document. The recipient and any sub-recipient must continue to comply with these terms and conditions, as well as the updated terms and conditions presented below.

B. AWARD SPECIFIC TERMS AND CONDITIONS

The following new restrictions apply:

- If requested, Training and Exercise (T&E) funds proposed in the FY'23 application are RESTRICTED pending DHS final approval of itemized cost and detailed justification.
- All finalized requests for T&E funds, inclusive of the itemized cost and detailed justification, must be submitted a
 minimum of 30 days prior to the beginning of the training exercise. The BioWatch program office must approve
 all training and exercise requests before funds are unrestricted and expended.

C. DHS PROGRAMMATIC INVOLVEMENT

-Previous DHS programmatic involvement remains in effect.

D. GOVERNING PROVISIONS

This award is subject to the requirements of the Governing Provisions outlined in your original award.

E. ORDER OF PRECEDENCE

The terms and conditions of this Award.

- 1. The Funding Opportunity, FY'23 BioWatch Continuation Application, FY'23 BioWatch Operations
- 2. Application and Assurances dated 4/25/2023

The Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 DHS Standard Terms and Conditions apply to all new federal financial assistance awards funded in FY 2023. These terms and conditions flow down to subrecipients unless an award term or condition specifically indicates otherwise. The United States has the right to seek judicial enforcement of these obligations.

All legislation and digital resources are referenced with no digital links. The FY 2023 DHS Standard Terms and Conditions will be housed on dhs.gov at www.dhs.gov/publication/fy15-dhs-standard-terms-and-conditions.

A. <u>Assurances. Administrative Requirements. Cost Principles. Representations and Certifications</u>

- I. DHS financial assistance recipients must complete either the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Standard Form 424B Assurances – Non-Construction Programs, or OMB Standard Form 424D Assurances – Construction Programs, as applicable. Certain assurances in these documents may not be applicable to your program, and the DHS financial assistance office (DHS FAO) may require applicants to certify additional assurances. Applicants are required to fill out the assurances as instructed by the awarding agency.
- II. DHS financial assistance recipients are required to follow the applicable provisions of the Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards located at Title 2, Code of Federal Regulations (C.F.R.) Part 200 and adopted by DHS at 2 C.F.R. Part 3002.
- III. By accepting this agreement, recipients, and their executives, as defined in 2 C.F.R. § 170.315, certify that their policies are in accordance with OMB's guidance located at 2 C.F.R. Part 200, all applicable federal laws, and relevant Executive guidance.

B. General Acknowledgements and Assurances

All recipients, subrecipients, successors, transferees, and assignees must acknowledge and agree to comply with applicable provisions governing DHS access to records, accounts, documents, information, facilities, and staff.

- I. Recipients must cooperate with any DHS compliance reviews or compliance investigations conducted by DHS.
- II. Recipients must give DHS access to examine and copy records, accounts, and other documents and sources of information related to the federal financial assistance award and permit access to facilities or personnel.
- III. Recipients must submit timely, complete, and accurate reports to the appropriate DHS officials and maintain appropriate backup documentation to support the reports.
- IV. Recipients must comply with all other special reporting, data collection, and evaluation requirements, as prescribed by law, or detailed in program guidance.
- V. Recipients (as defined in 2 C.F.R. Part 200 and including recipients acting as pass-through entities) of federal financial assistance from DHS or one of its awarding component agencies must complete the DHS Civil Rights Evaluation Tool within thirty (30) days of receipt of the Notice of Award for the first award under which this term applies. Recipients of multiple awards of DHS financial assistance should only submit one completed tool for their organization, not per award. After the initial submission, recipients are required to complete the tool once every two (2) years if they have an active award, not every time an award is made. Recipients should submit the completed tool, including supporting materials, to CivilRightsEvaluation@hq.dhs.gov. This tool clarifies the civil rights obligations and related reporting requirements contained in the DHS Standard Terms and

Conditions. Subrecipients are not required to complete and submit this tool to DHS. The evaluation tool can be found at https://www.dhs.gov/publication/dhscivil-rights-evaluation-tool. DHS Civil Rights Evaluation Tool | Homeland Security

The DHS Office for Civil Rights and Civil Liberties will consider, in its discretion, granting an extension if the recipient identifies steps and a timeline for completing the tool. Recipients should request extensions by emailing the request to CivilRightsEvaluation@hq.dhs.gov prior to expiration of the 30-day deadline.

C. Standard Terms & Conditions

I. Acknowledgement of Federal Funding from DHS

Recipients must acknowledge their use of federal funding when issuing statements, press releases, requests for proposal, bid invitations, and other documents describing projects or programs funded in whole or in part with federal funds.

II. Activities Conducted Abroad

Recipients must ensure that project activities performed outside the United States are coordinated as necessary with appropriate government authorities and that appropriate licenses, permits, or approvals are obtained.

III. Age Discrimination Act of 1975

Recipients must comply with the requirements of the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, Public Law 94-135 (1975) (codified as amended at Title 42, U.S. Code, § 6101 et seq.), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age in any program or activity receiving federal financial assistance.

IV. Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990

Recipients must comply with the requirements of Titles I, II, and III of the Americans with Disabilities Act, Pub. L. 101-336 (1990) (codified as amended at 42 U.S.C. §§ 12101–12213), which prohibits recipients from discriminating on the basis of disability in the operation of public entities, public and private transportation systems, places of public accommodation, and certain testing entities.

V. Best Practices for Collection and Use of Personally Identifiable Information

Recipients who collect personally identifiable information (PII) are required to have a publicly available privacy policy that describes standards on the usage and maintenance of the PII they collect. DHS defines PII as any information that permits the identity of an individual to be directly or indirectly inferred, including any information that is linked or linkable to that individual. Recipients may also find the DHS Privacy Impact Assessments: Privacy Guidance and Privacy Template as useful resources respectively.

VI. Civil Rights Act of 1964 – Title VI

Recipients must comply with the requirements of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (codified as amended at 42 U.S.C. § 2000d et seq.), which provides that no person in the United States will, on the grounds of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving federal financial assistance. DHS implementing regulations for the Act are found at 6 C.F.R. Part 21 and 44 C.F.R. Part 7.

VII. Civil Rights Act of 1968

Recipients must comply with Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, Pub. L. 90-284, as amended through Pub. L. 113-4, which prohibits recipients from discriminating in the sale, rental, financing, and advertising of dwellings, or in the provision of services in connection

therewith, on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, disability, familial status, and sex (see 42 U.S.C. § 3601 et seq.), as implemented by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development at 24 C.F.R. Part 100. The prohibition on disability discrimination includes the requirement that new multifamily housing with four or more dwelling units—i.e., the public and common use areas and individual apartment units (all units in buildings with elevators and ground-floor units in buildings without elevators)—be designed and constructed with certain accessible features. (See 24 C.F.R. Part 100, Subpart D.)

VIII. Copyright

Recipients must affix the applicable copyright notices of 17 U.S.C. §§ 401 or 402 and an acknowledgement of U.S. Government sponsorship (including the award number) to any work first produced under federal financial assistance awards.

IX. Debarment and Suspension

Recipients are subject to the non-procurement debarment and suspension regulations implementing Executive Orders (E.O.) 12549 and 12689, which are at 2 C.F.R. Part 180 as adopted by DHS at 2 C.F.R. Part 3002. These regulations restrict federal financial assistance awards, subawards, and contracts with certain parties that are debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded from or ineligible for participation in federal assistance programs or activities.

X. <u>Drug-Free Workplace Regulations</u>

Recipients must comply with drug-free workplace requirements in Subpart B (or Subpart C, if the recipient is an individual) of 2 C.F.R. Part 3001, which adopts the Government-wide implementation (2 C.F.R. Part 182) of Sec. 5152-5158 of the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988 (41 U.S.C. §§ 8101-8106).

XI. <u>Duplication of Benefits</u>

Any cost allocable to a particular federal financial assistance award provided for in 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Subpart E may not be charged to other federal financial assistance awards to overcome fund deficiencies; to avoid restrictions imposed by federal statutes, regulations, or federal financial assistance award terms and conditions; or for other reasons. However, these prohibitions would not preclude recipients from shifting costs that are allowable under two or more awards in accordance with existing federal statutes, regulations, or the federal financial assistance award terms and conditions may not be charged to other federal financial assistance awards to overcome fund deficiencies; to avoid restrictions imposed by federal statutes, regulations, or federal financial assistance award terms and conditions; or for other reasons.

XII. Education Amendments of 1972 (Equal Opportunity in Education Act) – Title IX

Recipients must comply with the requirements of Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Pub. L. 92-318 (1972) (codified as amended at 20 U.S.C. § 1681 et seq.), which provide that no person in the United States will, on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any educational program or activity receiving federal financial assistance. DHS implementing regulations are codified at 6 C.F.R. Part 17 and 44 C.F.R. Part 19.

XIII. E.O. 14074 – Advancing Effective, Accountable Policing and Criminal Justice Practices to Enhance Public Trust and Public Safety

Recipient State, Tribal, local, or territorial law enforcement agencies must comply with the requirements of section 12(c) of E.O. 14074. Recipient State, Tribal, local, or territorial law enforcement agencies are also encouraged to adopt and enforce policies consistent with E.O. 14074 to support safe and effective policing.

XIV. Energy Policy and Conservation Act

Recipients must comply with the requirements of the Energy Policy and Conservation Act, Pub. L. 94- 163 (1975) (codified as amended at 42 U.S.C. § 6201 et seq.), which contain policies relating to energy efficiency that are defined in the state energy conservation plan issued in compliance with this Act.

XV. False Claims Act and Program Fraud Civil Remedies

Recipients must comply with the requirements of the False Claims Act, 31 U.S.C. §§3729-3733, which prohibit the submission of false or fraudulent claims for payment to the Federal Government. (See 31 U.S.C. §§ 3801-3812, which details the administrative remedies for false claims and statements made.)

XVI. Federal Debt Status

All recipients are required to be non-delinquent in their repayment of any federal debt. Examples of relevant debt include delinquent payroll and other taxes, audit disallowances, and benefit overpayments. (See OMB Circular A-129.)

XVII. Federal Leadership on Reducing Text Messaging while Driving

Recipients are encouraged to adopt and enforce policies that ban text messaging while driving as described in E.O. 13513, including conducting initiatives described in Section 3(a) of the Order when on official government business or when performing any work for or on behalf of the Federal Government.

XVIII. Fly America Act of 1974

Recipients must comply with Preference for U.S. Flag Air Carriers (air carriers holding certificates under 49 U.S.C.) for international air transportation of people and property to the extent that such service is available, in accordance with the International Air Transportation Fair Competitive Practices Act of 1974, 49 U.S.C. § 40118, and the interpretative guidelines issued by the Comptroller General of the United States in the March 31, 1981, amendment to Comptroller General Decision B-138942.

XIX. Hotel and Motel Fire Safety Act of 1990

Recipients must ensure that all conference, meeting, convention, or training space funded in whole or in part with federal funds complies with the fire prevention and control guidelines of Section 6 of the Hotel and Motel Fire Safety Act of 1990, 15 U.S.C. § 2225a

XX. John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act of Fiscal Year 2019

Recipients, subrecipients, and their contractors and subcontractors are subject to the prohibitions described in section 889 of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019, Pub. L. No. 115-232 (2018) and 2 C.F.R. §§ 200.216, 200.327, 200.471, and Appendix II to 2 C.F.R. Part 200. Beginning August 13, 2020, the statute – as it applies to DHS recipients, subrecipients, and their contractors and subcontractors – prohibits obligating or expending federal award funds on certain telecommunications and video surveillance products and contracting with certain entities for national security reasons.

XXI. <u>Limited English Proficiency (Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title VI)</u>

Recipients must comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, (42 U.S.C. § 2000d et seq.) prohibition against discrimination on the basis of national origin, which requires that recipients of federal financial assistance take reasonable steps to provide meaningful access to persons with limited English proficiency (LEP) to their programs and services. For additional assistance and information regarding language access obligations, please refer to the DHS Recipient Guidance: https://www.dhs.gov/guidance- published-help-department- supported-organizations-provide-meaningful-access-people-limited and additional resources on http://www.lep.gov.

XXII. Lobbying Prohibitions

Recipients must comply with 31 U.S.C. § 1352, which provides that none of the funds provided under a federal financial assistance award may be expended by the recipient to pay any person to influence, or attempt to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with any federal action related to a federal award or contract, including any extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification.

XXIII. National Environmental Policy Act

Recipients must comply with the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, (NEPA) Pub. L. 91-190 (1970) (codified as amended at 42 U.S.C. § 4321 et seq. and the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) Regulations for Implementing the Procedural Provisions of NEPA, which require recipients to use all practicable means within their authority, and consistent with other essential considerations of national policy, to create and maintain conditions under which people and nature can exist in productive harmony and fulfill the social, economic, and other needs of present and future generations of Americans.

XXIV. <u>Nondiscrimination in Matters Pertaining to Faith-Based Organizations</u>

It is DHS policy to ensure the equal treatment of faith-based organizations in social service programs administered or supported by DHS or its component agencies, enabling those organizations to participate in providing important social services to beneficiaries. Recipients must comply with the equal treatment policies and requirements contained in 6 C.F.R. Part 19 and other applicable statues, regulations, and guidance governing the participations of faith- based organizations in individual DHS programs.

XXV. Non-Supplanting Requirement

Recipients receiving federal financial assistance awards made under programs that prohibit supplanting by law must ensure that federal funds do not replace (supplant) funds that have been budgeted for the same purpose through non-federal sources.

XXVI. Notice of Funding Opportunity Requirements

All the instructions, guidance, limitations, and other conditions set forth in the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for this program are incorporated here by reference in the award terms and conditions. All recipients must comply with any such requirements set forth in the program NOFO.

XXVII. Patents and Intellectual Property Rights

Recipients are subject to the Bayh-Dole Act, 35 U.S.C. § 200 et seq, unless otherwise provided by law. Recipients are subject to the specific requirements governing the development, reporting, and disposition of rights to inventions and patents resulting from federal financial assistance awards located at 37 C.F.R. Part 401 and the standard patent rights clause located at 37 C.F.R. § 401.14.

XXVIII. Procurement of Recovered Materials

States, political subdivisions of states, and their contractors must comply with Section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, Pub. L. 89-272 (1965), (codified as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, 42 U.S.C. § 6962.) The requirements of Section 6002 include procuring only items designated in guidelines of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) at 40 C.F.R. Part 247 that contain the highest percentage of recovered materials practicable, consistent with maintaining a satisfactory level of competition.

XXIX. Rehabilitation Act of 1973

Recipients must comply with the requirements of Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Pub. L. 93-112 (1973), (codified as amended at 29 U.S.C. § 794,) which provides

that no otherwise qualified handicapped individuals in the United States will, solely by reason of the handicap, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving federal financial assistance.

XXX. Reporting of Matters Related to Recipient Integrity and Performance

General Reporting Requirements:

If the total value of any currently active grants, cooperative agreements, and procurement contracts from all federal awarding agencies exceeds \$10,000,000 for any period of time during the period of performance of this federal award, then the recipients must comply with the requirements set forth in the government-wide Award Term and Condition for Recipient Integrity and Performance Matters located at 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Appendix XII, the full text of which is incorporated here by reference in the award terms and conditions.

XXXI. Reporting Subawards and Executive Compensation

Reporting of first tier subawards.

Recipients are required to comply with the requirements set forth in the government-wide award term on Reporting Subawards and Executive Compensation located at 2 C.F.R. Part 170, Appendix A, the full text of which is incorporated here by reference in the award terms and conditions.

XXXII. Required Use of American Iron, Steel, Manufactured Products, and Construction Materials

Recipients must comply with the "Build America, Buy America" provisions of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act and E.O. 14005. Recipients of an award of Federal financial assistance from a program for infrastructure are hereby notified that none of the funds provided under this award may be used for a project for infrastructure unless:

- (1) all iron and steel used in the project are produced in the United States--this means all manufacturing processes, from the initial melting stage through the application of coatings, occurred in the United States;
- (2) all manufactured products used in the project are produced in the United States—this means the manufactured product was manufactured in the United States; and the cost of the components of the manufactured product that are mined, produced, or manufactured in the United States is greater than 55 percent of the total cost of all components of the manufactured product, unless another standard for determining the minimum amount of domestic content of the manufactured product has been established under applicable law or regulation; and
- (3) all construction materials are manufactured in the United States—this means that all manufacturing processes for the construction material occurred in the United States.

The Buy America preference only applies to articles, materials, and supplies that are consumed in, incorporated into, or affixed to an infrastructure project. As such, it does not apply to tools, equipment, and supplies, such as temporary scaffolding, brought to the construction site and removed at or before the completion of the infrastructure project. Nor does a Buy America preference apply to equipment and furnishings, such as movable chairs, desks, and portable computer equipment, that are used at or within the finished infrastructure project but are not an integral part of the structure or permanently affixed to the infrastructure project.

Waivers

When necessary, recipients may apply for, and the agency may grant, a waiver from these requirements. Information on the process for requesting a waiver from these requirements is on the website below.

- (a) When the Federal agency has made a determination that one of the following exceptions applies, the awarding official may waive the application of the domestic content procurement preference in any case in which the agency determines that:
 - (1) applying the domestic content procurement preference would be inconsistent with the public interest;
 - (2) the types of iron, steel, manufactured products, or construction materials are not produced in the United States in sufficient and reasonably available quantities or of a satisfactory quality; or
 - (3) the inclusion of iron, steel, manufactured products, or construction materials produced in the United States will increase the cost of the overall project by more than 25 percent.

A request to waive the application of the domestic content procurement preference must be in writing. The agency will provide instructions on the format, contents, and supporting materials required for any waiver request. Waiver requests are subject to public comment periods of no less than 15 days and must be reviewed by the Made in America Office.

There may be instances where an award qualifies, in whole or in part, for an existing waiver described at "Buy America" Preference in FEMA Financial Assistance Programs for Infrastructure | FEMA.gov.

The awarding Component may provide specific instructions to Recipients of awards from infrastructure programs that are subject to the "Build America, Buy America" provisions. Recipients should refer to the Notice of Funding Opportunity for further information on the Buy America preference and waiver process.

XXXIII. SAFECOM

Recipients receiving federal financial assistance awards made under programs that provide emergency communication equipment and its related activities must comply with the SAFECOM Guidance for Emergency Communication Grants, including provisions on technical standards that ensure and enhance interoperable communications.

XXXIV. Terrorist Financing

Recipients must comply with E.O. 13224 and U.S. laws that prohibit transactions with, and the provisions of resources and support to, individuals and organizations associated with terrorism. Recipients are legally responsible to ensure compliance with the Order and laws.

XXXV. Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 (TVPA)

Trafficking in Persons.

Recipients must comply with the requirements of the government-wide financial assistance award term which implements Section 106 (g) of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 (TVPA), codified as amended at 22 U.S.C. § 7104. The award term is located at 2 C.F.R. § 175.15, the full text of which is incorporated here by reference.

XXXVI. Universal Identifier and System of Award Management

Requirements for System for Award Management and Unique Entity Identifier Recipients are required to comply with the requirements set forth in the government-wide financial assistance award term regarding the System for Award Management and Universal Identifier Requirements located at 2 C.F.R. Part 25, Appendix A, the full text of which is incorporated here by reference.

XXXVII. USA PATRIOT Act of 2001

Recipients must comply with requirements of Section 817 of the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 (USA PATRIOT Act), which amends 18 U.S.C. §§ 175–175c.

XXXVIII. Use of DHS Seal, Logo and Flags

Recipients must obtain permission from their DHS FAO prior to using the DHS seal(s), logos, crests or reproductions of flags or likenesses of DHS agency officials, including use of the United States Coast Guard seal, logo, crests or reproductions of flags or likenesses of Coast Guard officials.

XXXIX. Whistleblower Protection Act

Recipients must comply with the statutory requirements for whistleblower protections (if applicable) at 10 U.S.C § 2409, 41 U.S.C. § 4712, and 10 U.S.C. § 2324, 41 U.S.C. §§ 4304 and 4310.