

DRA 2009 Federal Grant Program -- Simplified Process and Timeline

Monday January 26 – DRA 2009 Federal Grant Program to be Announced (tentative).

**Friday, January 30 – LDDs – Begin Publicizing, Educating and Assisting Pre-Applicants with Preparation of Pre-Applications. During February All LDDs Will Host Public Forums.
(Allows 50 days for Pre-Application Preparation.)**

No Later Than Noon, Friday, March 20 – ALL Pre-Applications Due at LDDs, to be Screened for Completeness.

**Friday April 3 – LDDs package Complete Pre-Applications and Send original and copy to DRA.
Each LDD will also send a copy to its State at the same time.
(Again, This Allows 70 Days from “Announcement” to Pre-Application Deadline.)**

**No Later Than Wednesday April 27 – Federal Co-Chairman Determines Eligibility.
(Allows 24 Days to Determine Eligibility.)**

By Friday, May 1 – Governors Receive List of Eligibles and Ineligibles.
Additionally, FCC provides a written explanation of why a project was deemed ineligible to the Applicants, States and LDDs.

By Monday, May 11—States respond to List of Ineligibles.
States will provide written responses to the FCC, if they have a different perspective on an ineligible project.

By Monday May 18 -- FCC has responded in writing to each State’s perspective of eligibility.

By Friday, June 8 – Governors Select Projects and Notify Federal Co-Chairman.

(Allows Governors 21 Days to Select Projects for “Invitation to Apply”.)

On June 12 – Federal Co-Chairman Issues “Invitations to Apply” to Governors’ Selections.

**By Friday, July 10, Applications to be Prepared by Invitees and Received by DRA.
(Allows 28 Days for Application Preparation and Receipt by DRA.)**

**No Later Than Monday, August 31, DRA Staff Completes Review of Applications and
Forwards Such Reviews to Governors
(Allows 52 Days for DRA Staff to Review and Collaborate With Pre-Grantees.)**

**By Tuesday, September 15, Governors Complete Evaluation and Certification of
Applications; Forward “Evaluated and Certified” list to Federal Co-Chairman.
(Allows 16 Days for Governors to Evaluate and Certify Applications.)**

On Wednesday, September 23, Board Meets to Vote on DRA 2009 Federal Grant Projects

**On Thursday, September 24, The Federal Co-Chairman Notifies Members of Congress of
the Authority’s Approval of Projects for DRA 2009 Federal Grant Funding.**

**On Monday, September 28, The Federal Co-Chairman Notifies Governors of the
Authority’s Approval of Projects for DRA 2009 Federal Grant Funding.**

**By September 30, 2009 Applicants will be notified of approval and grant documents will be
prepared.**