



Addendum to the 2025 Community Infrastructure Fund Notice of Funding Availability: Supplemental Disaster Recovery Funding

Release Date: July 2, 2025

Closing Date: 30 days from the official opening of the addendum

Purpose

This addendum supplements the [2025 Community Infrastructure Fund \(CIF\) Notice of Funding Availability \(NOFA\)](#) to outline eligibility, priorities, and guidance for a new funding stream: the Supplemental Disaster Recovery Funding (SDRF) program. Funded through the [American Relief Act, 2025](#), SDRF provides targeted infrastructure investment in communities affected by federally declared disasters between January 1, 2023, and December 31, 2024.

Program Overview

The SDRF program focuses on infrastructure recovery and resiliency within [Delta Regional Authority \(DRA\) counties and parishes](#) impacted by disasters declared under the [Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act \(42 U.S.C. § 5121 et seq.\)](#) during calendar years 2023 and 2024.

Eligible project types include:

- **Basic public infrastructure** (e.g., water, sewer, electricity)
- **Transportation infrastructure** (e.g., roads, bridges)
- **Flood control projects** (e.g., levees, stormwater systems)

Projects must support the agency's strategic goals: infrastructure improvement, economic development, and long-term community resilience. Projects must also align with current presidential administrative priorities as outlined in the "[2025 Community Infrastructure Fund: REVISED Notice of Funding Availability Executive Summary](#)."

Eligibility Requirements (Specific to SDRF)

To qualify under this addendum, applicants must:

- Meet the standard eligibility criteria of the CIF program (refer to Section C of the 2025 CIF NOFA)
- Be located in or serve communities receiving a federal disaster declaration between January 1, 2023, and December 31, 2024.

Availability of Funds

Total funds available: Approximately \$9.7 million

For award information, please see Section C of the 2025 CIF NOFA

Cost-share requirement:

Projects serving [distressed or isolated areas of distress](#) are exempt from cost-sharing. Other projects are encouraged to offer non-federal matching funds. Projects that provide higher levels of non-federal cost-sharing may receive scoring preference.

Note on Funding Distribution:

Priority for funding will be given to counties and parishes within the DRA region that received a qualifying federal disaster declaration during the first quarter of 2023 (January 1 – March 31). However, all eligible counties and parishes within the DRA region that meet the federally legislated criteria—including receipt of a federal disaster declaration between January 1, 2023, and December 31, 2024—are eligible to apply and will receive full and fair consideration.

Application Process

Applications for SDRF must be submitted through the [CIF Application Portal](#) and clearly identified as submissions for **Supplemental Disaster Recovery Funding**.

- **Closing Date:** 30 calendar days from the official release date of this addendum
- Applications must follow all general instructions and submission requirements outlined in [Sections D and E and the 2025 CIF NOFA](#).

Review and Award Administration

All SDRF-funded projects are subject to the award process and requirements outlined in [Section F, Section G, and the CIF 2025 NOFA Appendix](#).

Scoring Criteria

100 Points Total

Project Description and Alignment		35 Points
1. Description of Project and Community Needs		

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Demonstrate how the federally declared disasters(s) affected the community’s infrastructure—roads, water systems, utilities, broadband, etc. • Explain how the proposed project will directly address those needs, restoring or enhancing infrastructure resiliency and community function. <p>2. Project Design, Goals, and Implementation Plans</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Design: Present a clear, technically feasible approach for addressing identified disaster-related infrastructure needs. • Project Goals: Define the scope and objectives, outlining specific goals and detailing all major activities and components. • Results: Explain how the project incorporates strategies to achieve measurable outcomes. • Documentation: For projects involving specific infrastructure types, such as water and sewer projects, applicants must include all required documentation as outlined in Appendix II, ensuring compliance with all technical and regulatory requirements. <p>3. Alignment with Strategic Recovery and Resiliency Goals</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Detail how the project supports the jurisdiction’s official disaster recovery plan, if one exists. • Explain how the project contributes to long-term mitigation resilience (e.g., floodplain restoration, hardened utility corridors), and community preparedness for future events. 	
Evidence of Local Impact	30 Points
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explain how the project will enhance community disaster recovery efforts going forward. • Where possible, quantify benefits (jobs created, percentage reduction in flood risk, estimated cost-savings from avoided future damage). 	
Project Management and Team Partners	20 Points
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Key Personnel and Qualifications: List project manager, lead engineer, and other critical staff related to the project. • Partnerships: Identify collaborating entities—local governments, Local Development Districts (LDDs), tribal authorities, utilities, non-governmental organizations—and describe each partner’s role, responsibilities, and formal commitment (e.g., memorandums of understanding, letters of support). • Governance and Oversight: Outline the project governance structure (steering committee, technical advisory group), decision-making processes, and how you will ensure transparency and accountability. 	

Budget and Implementation	15 Points
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Detailed Budget: Present line-item costs tied directly to activities (engineering, materials, labor, compliance), clearly distinguishing SDRF funds from other sources. • Cost-Effectiveness: Justify how the budget maximizes impact per dollar (e.g., leveraging in-kind contributions, economies of scale, or regional procurement). 	

Technical Assistance and Contact Information

Applicants may consult their [LDDs](#) for assistance in project planning and submission.

For Questions or Clarifications:

Email: sedap.cif@dra.gov

Subject Line: *"Supplemental Disaster Recovery Funds – Inquiry"*

Please include your name, organization, and contact information.

Tentative Timeline for Obligation of Funds

Milestone	Date	Description
Addendum Release	July 2, 2025	Official publication of the SDRF Addendum to 2025 CIF NOFA
Application Deadline	August 2, 2025	Deadline for applicants to submit proposals (30 days from release)
Application Review Period	July 7 – September 2, 2025	Evaluation and scoring of all eligible proposals
Award Determinations & Notification	September 8 – September 19, 2025	Final selection, notifications, and any necessary budget or scope negotiations
Funds Obligated / Notice to Proceed	September 19– September 30, 2025	Execution of grant agreements and formal obligation of funds