

Priority Climate Action Plan

CPRG Stakeholder Meeting
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PROJECT STATUS – WORK BEGINS



- Lotus Engineering and Sustainability officially signed-on!
 - Beginning to plan for an in-person, half-day workshop in early January
- EPA released the NOFO for **\$4.6b** in implementation grants on September 20, 2023.
- Four stakeholder meetings left before PCAP due on March 1, 2024

CPRG Implementation Grants Program Objectives



Implement ambitious measures that will achieve significant cumulative greenhouse gas (GHG) reductions by 2030 and beyond



Achieve substantial community benefits (such as reduction of criteria and hazardous air pollutants), particularly in low-income and disadvantaged communities



Complement other funding sources to maximize these GHG reductions and community benefits



Pursue innovative policies and programs that are replicable and can be “scaled up” across multiple jurisdictions

Implementation Grant Eligible Sectors



Electric Power



Transportation



Industry



Residential & Commercial Buildings



Waste and Materials Management



Agriculture/ Natural & Working Lands

Implementation Grant Guidelines



- Applications may include multiple measures across one or more sectors
- EPA anticipates applications may seek funding for the following types of measures:
 - A new, stand-alone GHG reduction measure
 - An expansion of a GHG reduction measure that is already being implemented
 - A new GHG reduction measure for which the applicant has already secured partial funding and needs additional funding

Implementation Grant Guidelines



- EPA anticipates **awarding no more than two grants** to applicants at the same level of government within a single CPRG jurisdiction.
- EPA will make selections to ensure **diverse geographic coverage** of funding nationwide.
- Application limits per organization:
 - One as the individual applicant
 - One as the lead applicant for a coalition.
 - May participate in more than one coalition, but only one as lead
 - Coalitions require an MOA signed by all participating parties

Implementation Grant Funding Tiers:



- 30-115 grants
- Evaluated against applications within the **same** tier

Tier	Grant Ranges	Funds Targeted for Each Tier	Anticipated Number of Grants to be Awarded
Tier A	\$200,000,000 - \$500,000,000	\$ 2 billion	4-10
Tier B	\$100,000,000- \$199,999,999	\$1.3 billion	6-13
Tier C	\$50,000,000 - \$99,999,999	\$0.6 billion	6-12
Tier D	\$10,000,000-\$49,999,999	\$0.3 billion	6-30
Tier E	\$2,000,000-\$9,999,999	\$0.1 billion	10-50

Implementation Grant Evaluation Criteria



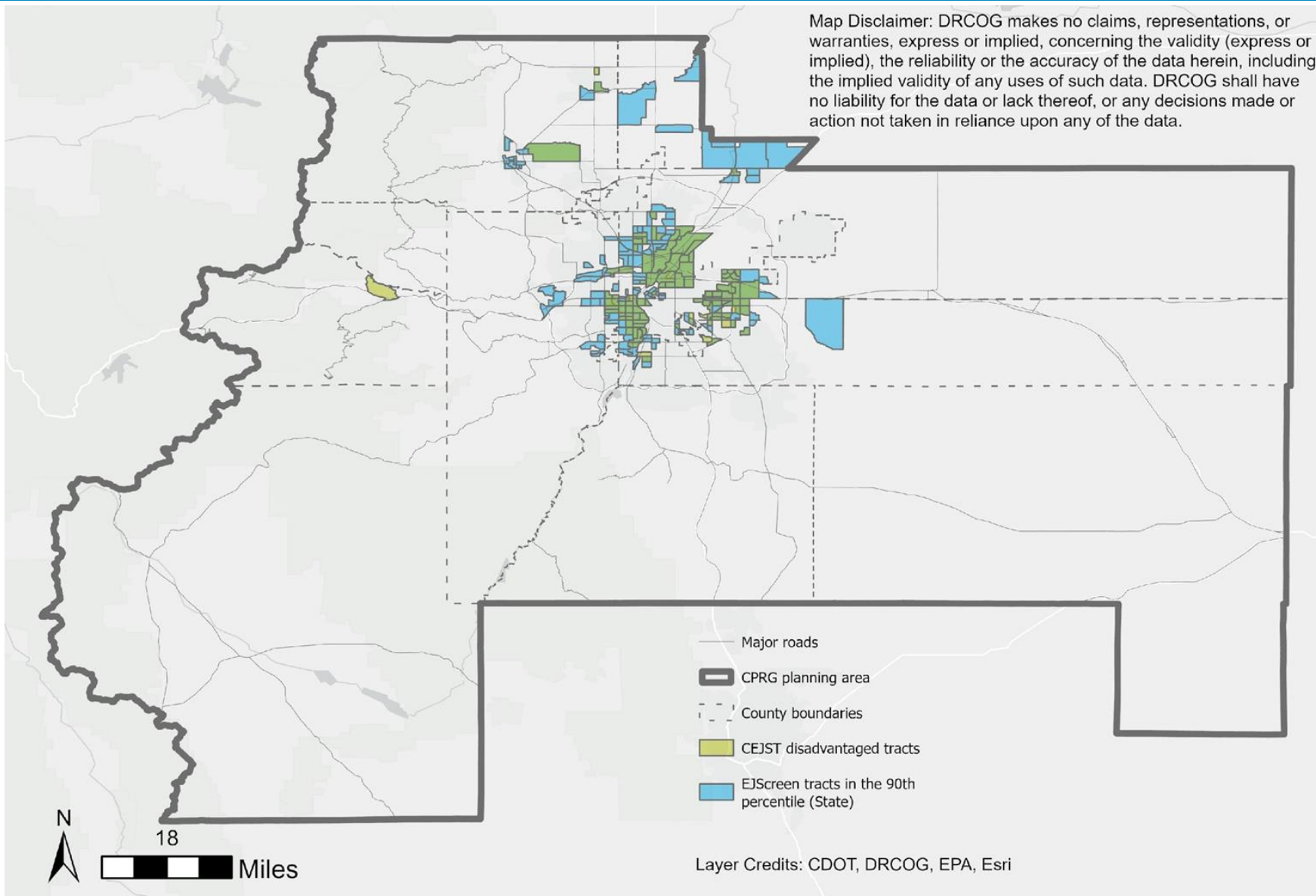
Section Title	Total Points	Percentage
Overall Project Summary and Approach	45	18%
Impact of GHG Reduction Measures	60	24%
Environmental Results – Outputs, Outcomes, and Performance Measures	30	12%
Low-Income and Disadvantaged Communities Impacts	35	14%
Job Quality	5	2%
Programmatic Capability and Past Performance	30	12%
Budget and Timely Expenditure of Grant Funds	45	18%
Totals	250	100%

LIDAC/Justice40 Evaluation

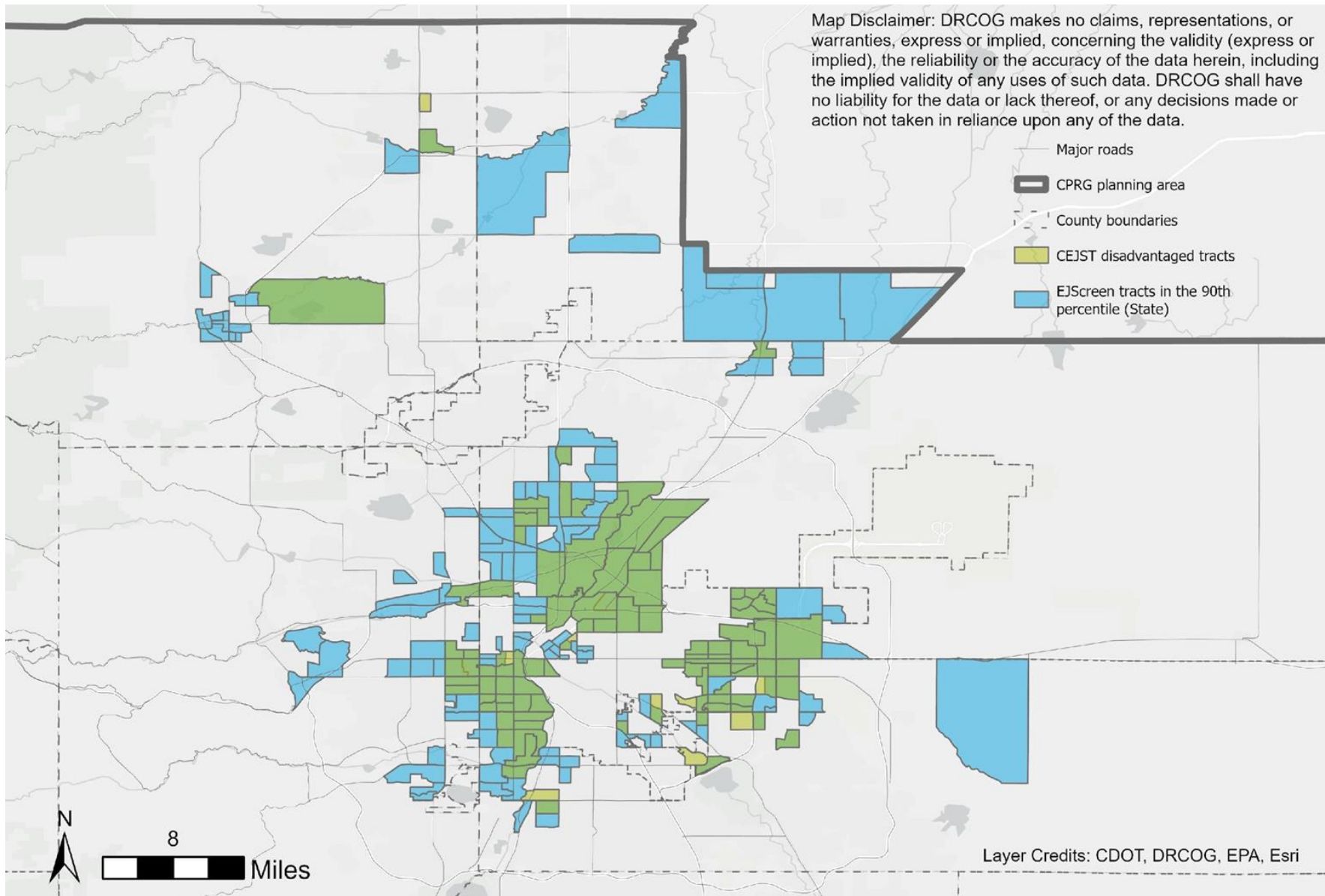


- Implementation grants will be evaluated for benefits to low-income and disadvantaged communities
- For the purposes of this NOFO, EPA defines low-income and disadvantaged communities as any community that meets at least one of the following characteristics:
 - Any census tract that is included as disadvantaged in the Climate and Economic Justice Screening Tool (CEJST)
 - Any census block group that is at or above the 90th percentile for any of EJScreen's Supplemental Indexes when compared to the nation or relevant state

CPRG Low-income and Disadvantaged Communities



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Implementation Grants: Key Dates



Timeline for General Competition					
Sept 20, 2023	Feb 1, 2024	March 1, 2024	April 1, 2024	July 2024*	October 2024*
Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) released	Optional Notice of Intent to Apply deadline	Priority Climate Action Plans due	Application deadline	Notification of Awards	Funds Awarded



THANK YOU!
QUESTIONS?

PCAP PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT PLAN



- **Two Large Virtual Public Engagement Meetings:**
 - Inform public about CPRG process, its importance, impacts, how to get involved
 - Share priority PCAP strategies and gather insight
- **Public Engagement Website**
 - Social Pinpoint site to inform public about CAPs, CPRG updates
- **Stakeholder Steering Committee monthly meetings**
- **Equity Steering Committee**
 - Currently seeking members

PCAP PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT PLAN



- **Google Form**

- A Google Form will be sent out to collect information on past engagement work and findings from each of your communities.
- The more information is included in responses the easier it will be for the team to ensure the engagements are successful.
- Fill out by October 12th!



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