

PROJECT ANNOUNCEMENT

**US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE)
Engineer Research and Development Center (ERDC)**

**Title: SOUTHEAST TEXAS HURRICANE EVACUATION STUDY
RE-STUDY
VULNERABILTY, BEHAVIORAL, SHELTER, and TRANSPORTATION ANALYSES**

Announcement Type: Initial Announcement

Funding Opportunity Number: W81EWF-23-SOI-0011

Assistance Listing Number: 12.630

Date Issued: 19 May 2023

Key Dates: Phase I announcement will be open to receive statements of interest continuously until 13:00 Central Time (CT), 19 June 2023, at which point all statements of interest must be received.

If invited to Phase II, full proposal applications will be due at 13:00 Central Time (CT), 18 July 2023.

Estimated Award Ceiling: \$150,000 (FY23)

Estimated Total Program Funding: \$400,000 (FY24)

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I. Program Description

A. Short Description of Funding Opportunity

ERDC seeks applications for:

The Contractor will support the National Hurricane Program (NHP) in performing a Vulnerability, Behavioral, Shelter, and Transportation Analyses for the Southeast Texas Hurricane Evacuation Re-Study. Through the development of the Re-Study, the Contractor will conduct research and development to develop innovative methodologies for developing evacuation behavioral assumptions, incorporating socially vulnerable populations into the hurricane evacuation study process, calculating benefits to disadvantaged communities, and communicating hurricane risk and evacuation data to federal, state, and local emergency managers, as well as the general public.

B. Background

In a partnership with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and National Oceanic Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), the USACE has conducted Hurricane Evacuation Studies (HESs) for the State of Texas since the 1980's. These studies include a number of different analyses: hazards, vulnerability, behavioral, shelter and transportation, with the ultimate output of the studies being evacuation clearance times, or the total time it takes to fully evacuate a defined evacuation zone. Also, as important, is information to assist State and local emergency managers with the update and development of emergency preparedness and evacuation plans and procedures for the protection of the population at risk from tropical storms and hurricanes. These analyses are an important input to the HES process and support life and property saving actions at the federal, state, and local level.

C. Program Description/Objective: (brief description of the anticipated work)

This scope of the work to be performed by the Contractor to support the National Hurricane Program (NHP) in performing a Vulnerability, Behavioral, Shelter, and Transportation Analyses for the Southeast Texas Hurricane Evacuation Re-Study. Tasks include:

- *Coordination/ Project Initiation and Kick-Off (Base Year)*
 - The contractor should maintain steady and direct coordination with the Galveston District. All contractor deliverables will be provided directly to the Galveston District for distribution. All contacts or coordination with non-USACE entities made to satisfy the subsequent tasks will be documented and provided to the USACE Project Manager with summary reports of information

provided or received. Contacts or coordination summaries will be provided with each status report when new contact data has been added.

- *Vulnerability Analysis (Base Year)*

- The Contractor shall prepare an updated Vulnerability Analysis to identify the areas, populations, infrastructure, and facilities that are potentially vulnerable to hurricane-induced flooding, inland riverine flooding, and wind damages under a variety of hurricane and tropical storm scenarios. The inundation maps (storm tide maps) and FEMA floodplain maps produced by the Hazards Analysis should be used to determine which surge vulnerable areas may need to be evacuated in response to a particular coastal storm threat. Evacuation routes should be analyzed to determine if any roadways or bridges are subject to freshwater flooding that could impede evacuating traffic.
- Using the data developed above, the Contractor shall support local and state emergency managers in developing new or refining existing evacuation zones.
 - Evacuation zones serve as the foundational geographic unit to locate and quantify the vulnerable population, provide a base to model traffic movements from one geographic area to another, determine needed shelter capacity, and allow communities to manage the implementation of evacuations (i.e., during certain hurricane scenarios, pre-identified evacuation zones would be evacuated, clearly identifying those who are targeted for evacuation).
 - New/ refined evacuation zones should have, as much as possible, a coordinated layout, nomenclature, color coding, labeling, etc. and can be easily communicated to the public by State and Local emergency managers and the media. The end result shall be a set of evacuation zones that meet the goals of the project. Development of new evacuation zones should consider the following:
- Research and development will be conducted to identify and integrate disadvantaged community vulnerabilities throughout the HES, including in the development/ refinement of evacuation zones. Research and development should also identify key strategies and best practices for developing evacuation zones, in partnership with state, local, and federal entities.
- *Behavioral Analysis*
 - In preparing hurricane evacuation plans, assumptions must be made regarding the way populations in and around the vulnerable area will react to hurricane threats. These assumptions are necessary for Shelter, and Transportation phases of the HES and overall shelter planning, transportation modeling, and guidance in evacuation decision-making and public awareness efforts. The results of the Behavioral Analysis should be expressed in standardized terms to provide direct, compatible input to the Transportation Analysis.
 - For this Re-Study, a new phone survey instrument will not be used. Instead, the

Contractor should leverage existing Behavioral Survey results and other data sets (if they exist) and coordinate closely with stakeholders to develop a range (low, medium, high) for each the behavioral parameters described above. These behavioral parameters will be used to complete the Shelter and Transportation Analyses, described in subsequent sections. At a minimum, the Behavioral Analysis should quantify (in tabular format and in a summary report): Evacuation Participation Rates, Public Shelter Participation Rates, Response Rates, Destination Percentages (Weights) and Vehicle Usage.

- Evacuation Participation Rates*: The number and percent of vulnerable and non-vulnerable populations (shadow evacuees), including tourists, who will evacuate, including response actions relative to a given evacuation order (i.e., evacuation order or mandatory evacuation order).
 - Include number of evacuees per household likely to evacuate and why.
- Response Time*: The timeframe and how the threatened population will evacuate in response to an authorized evacuation order and variously defined forecast storm conditions such as strike probability, storm intensity, and potential flooding.
- Destination Percentages (Weights)*: The number and percent of evacuees who will attempt to leave the local area and their intended geographic destinations (including city, county, and state). Percentages will also be provided for evacuation route usage.
- Public Shelter Usage Rate*: The number and percent of evacuees who will seek refuge in public shelters, hotels/motels, local residence, and with family/friends. It will also determine if they will use refuge in or out of their county or state. Perceptions about the accessibility of the shelter system and availability of medical care should be considered.
- Vehicle Usage*: The number of vehicles evacuees will use to evacuate by permanent residence, mobile homes, and tourists. The number and percent of evacuees who may be towing boats, trailers, or traveling with recreational vehicles (RVs).
- Research and development will be conducted to identify new methodologies for accurately capturing low, medium, and high ranges for each of the behavioral parameters highlighted above.

- *Shelter Analysis (Option Year)*

- The purposes of the Shelter Analysis is to estimate the number of evacuees that will seek public shelter and the number of shelter spaces available, and to provide information for use in determining evacuation clearance times in the transportation analysis. The Shelter Analysis should address shelter demand and potential vulnerability to hurricane storm surge flooding. Data developed in the Hazards, Vulnerability, and Behavioral Analyses are used in the Shelter

Analysis.

- Research and development will be conducted to identify key data sources for capturing shelter demand and capacity, especially as it pertains to special needs populations and disadvantaged communities.
- *Transportation Analysis (Option Year)*
- The primary purpose of the Transportation Analysis is to calculate the clearance times needed to conduct a safe and timely evacuation for a range of hurricane threats. Other purposes are to define the evacuation roadway network and evaluate traffic patterns (e.g., congestion) and control measures and highway modifications for improved traffic flow. Basic assumptions in the Transportation Analysis relate to storm scenarios; vulnerable populations and their behavioral and socioeconomic characteristics; roadway systems and traffic control; and destination locations. These assumptions are derived from the other HES components and best professional experience. The scope of this analysis should include inland roadways and intersections that could create bottlenecks and critical congestion for evacuating traffic. These locations could be outside of the primary study area.
 - Results of the transportation analysis should be easily ingestible into HURREVAC, the National Hurricane Program's online decision support tool which is leveraged by emergency managers in making informed hurricane evacuation planning and response decisions.
 - Research and development will be conducted to identify key data sources for developing transportation networks and evacuation scenarios, in close coordination with local, state, and federal stakeholders. Recommendations should be made on strategies and actions to improve the usage of the National Hurricane Program's transportation model RtePM, used for evaluation of clearance times. Research and development should also investigate and quantify relationships between the presence of socially vulnerable populations and their impacts to clearance times.
- *HES Results Summary Report (Optional Task)*
- The contractor will develop a HES Results Summary Report mechanism which provides detailed description of how the study was performed and the study results. The mechanism describes the methodologies and key results of each study component and all maps, diagrams, and tables needed to support those descriptions. The Report should be distributed to all Federal, state, and local stakeholders involved in hurricane evacuation planning and decision making within the study area. Close coordination with these stakeholders will determine the level of detail associated with the final Report and additional materials.
 - The Contractor will coordinate closely with USACE, FEMA, and local and

state stakeholders to develop a Report which effectively summarizes the key outputs of the HES. Key considerations for the Report include:

- Level of detail to provide for each component of the HES study.
- Inclusion of links to more detailed summary reports generated by each individual analysis.
- Inclusion of storm surge visualization maps
- An online Dashboard (i.e., GIS) or Story Map (or similar medium) for dissemination of the report.
- Research and development should be conducted on ways to best integrate the HES Results Summary Report into HURREVAC, the National Hurricane Program’s online decision support tool.

D. Public Benefit

In 2017, Hurricane Harvey impacted the southeastern portions of Texas, leading to an estimated \$125 billion in damages and 103 direct and indirect deaths. Hurricane Evacuation Studies provide critical data used by federal, state, and local emergency managers for planning and response to hurricane threats. Actions taken as a result of updated evacuation plans save lives and property. The research and development associated with this study will also lead to a better understanding of disadvantaged communities within hurricane threatened areas, and their impacts to hurricane evacuations. In addition, innovative risk communications mechanisms (such as Online Dashboards (i.e., GIS) or Story Maps (or similar mediums) will be developed to help further disseminate HES outputs.

E. Authorization: 10 USC 4001

F. Legal Requirements

Each Cooperative Agreement awarded under this announcement will be governed by 2 CFR 200, “Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards”, 2 CFR 1100 Subchapter D—Administrative Requirements Terms and Conditions for Cost-Type Grants and Cooperative Agreements to Nonprofit and Governmental Entities and the DoD research general terms and conditions located at <https://www.nre.navy.mil/work-with-us/manage-your-award/manage-grant-award/grants-terms-conditions>.

G. Program-Specific Requirements

- The Contractor should have experience in development of Hurricane Evacuation Studies in Texas.
- The Contractor should have familiarity with the National Hurricane Program’s key software components, HURREVAC and RtePM (the transportation model).
- Summary reports should be developed for the Vulnerability, Behavioral, Shelter, and Transportation Analyses (See Section C). Each summary report should include a 2–3-

page executive summary. The HES Results Summary Report (optional task) will extract the key takeaways from each of the individual analyses' summary reports.

- All data developed as a result of the analysis in Section C should be reviewed and approved by local, state, and federal stakeholders, as they will be the ultimate end users of the data.
- All outputs of the HES (for the 4 analyses and HES Results Summary Report) will be provided to the National Hurricane Program, which will be responsible for disseminating data to the local, state, and federal emergency management stakeholders.

II. Federal Award Information

The following information applies to awards issued under this announcement:

- This is a one-time initiative.
- The Government anticipates 1 Federal awards from this announcement, but reserves the right to award more or less
- The total amount of funding expected to be awarded through this announcement is \$400,000
- The expected amount of funding for the award is \$150,000 for Year 1, \$250,000 for Year 2.
- Award(s) from this announcement will be Cooperative Agreement(s)
- The anticipated period of performance is 24 months.
- Applications for renewal or supplementation of existing projects are eligible to compete with applications for new Federal awards
- The government reserves the right to accept only portions of an application and to negotiate with potential awardees
- Government's substantial involvement includes providing technical oversight and review of products and extensive coordination with federal, state, and local stakeholders, including status meetings, technical meetings (e.g., evacuation zones meetings) and task closeout meetings.

III. Eligibility Information

A. Eligible Applicants

This opportunity is restricted to non-federal partners of the [Gulf Coast Cooperative Ecosystem Study Unit Cooperative Ecosystems Studies Unit \(CESU\)](#).

Disclosures of current and pending support made in this application may render an applicant ineligible for funding. Prior to award and throughout the period of performance, ERDC may continue to request updated continuing and pending support information, which will be reviewed and may result in discontinuation of funding.

Religious organizations are entitled to compete on equal footing with secular organizations for Federal financial assistance as described in E.O. 13798, "Promoting Free Speech and Religious Liberty."

B. Cost Sharing or Matching

This action will be 100% funded by USACE.

C. Conflict of Interest

a) General Requirement for Disclosure

You and your organization must disclose any potential or actual scientific or nonscientific conflict of interest(s) to us. You must also disclose any potential or actual conflict(s) of interest for any identified sub recipient you include in your application. We may have to ask you more questions if we need more information.

At our discretion, we may ask you for a conflict-of-interest mitigation plan after you submit your application. Your plan is subject to our approval.

b) Scientific Conflict of Interest

Scientific collaborations on research and development projects are generally the result of close collaboration prior to the submission of applications for support. Accordingly, these collaborations should be considered when considering potential conflicts of interest. The potential conflict is mitigated by the disclosure of these collaborations, and the list of current and pending support you provide for senior and key researchers. Therefore, you must include in your list of current and pending support all collaborators, even if they did not formally provide support.

D. Other

a) Licensure or Certification

You must include the Acknowledgment of Support and Disclaimer on all materials created or produced under our awards. This language may be found in the Terms and Conditions included in the award documents.

E. Certifications, representations, and assurances

1. To apply for grants and other funding opportunities the applicant entity must have an active registration in the System for Award Management (SAM). Applications will not be accepted through Grants.gov or other methods unless the entity is registered in SAM. Registration in SAM now includes the acceptance of Certifications and Assurances. See <https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/grantors/grantor-standard-language.html> for details on how to register in SAM, and Grants.gov

2. The Federal Assistance Certifications Report is an attestation that the entity will abide by the requirements of the various laws and regulations; therefore, as applicable, you are still required to submit any documentation, including the SF-LLL Disclosure of Lobbying Activities (if award value exceeds \$100,000.00), and, if applicable, informing DoD of unpaid delinquent tax liability or a felony conviction under any Federal law.
3. Certification Regarding Disclosure of Funding Sources. By checking "I Agree" on the SF 424 (R&R) block 17 you agree to abide by the following statement: "By signing this application, I certify the proposing entity is in compliance with Section 223(a) of the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 which requires that: (a) the PI and other key personnel certify that the current and pending support provided on the proposal is current, accurate and complete; (B) agree to update such disclosure at the request of the agency prior to the award of support and at any subsequent time the agency determines appropriate during the term of the award; and (c) the PI and other key personnel have been made aware of the requirements under Section 223(a)(1) of this Act. I am aware that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or claims may subject me to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties. (U.S. code, Title 218, Section 1001)."

IV. Application and Submission Information (2 Phase Process)

A. Phase I: Submission of Statement of Interest (SOI)

1. Materials Requested for Statement of Interest/Qualifications:

a. Please provide the following via e-mail attachment to: Stacy Thurman, Stacy.D.Thurman@usace.army.mil (Maximum length: 2 pages, single-spaced 12 pt. font).

i. Name, Organization and Contact Information

ii. Brief Statement of Qualifications (including):

- Biographical Sketch,
- Relevant past projects and clients with brief descriptions of these projects,
- Staff, faculty, or students available to work on this project and their areas of expertise,
- Any brief description of capabilities to successfully complete the project you may wish to add (e.g., equipment, laboratory facilities, greenhouse facilities, field facilities, etc.).

Note: A proposed budget is NOT requested at this time.

The administrative point of contact is Stacy Thurman, Stacy.D.Thurman@usace.army.mil

2. ERDC will only accept SOIs submitted on or before 19 June 2023, 13:00 Central Time (CT).

Based on a review of the Statements of Interest received, an investigator or investigators will be invited to move to Phase II which is to prepare a full study proposal. Statements will be evaluated based on the investigator's specific experience and capabilities in areas related to the study requirements.

B. Phase II (if invited): Submission of Full Application Package

1. Address to Request Application Package

The complete funding opportunity announcement, application forms, and instructions are available for download at [Grants.gov](https://www.grants.gov).

The administrative point of contact is Stacy Thurman, Stacy.D.Thurman@usace.army.mil

2. Content and Form of Application Submission

All mandatory forms and any applicable optional forms must be completed in accordance with the instructions on the forms and the additional instructions below.

- a. SF 424 R&R - Application for Federal Assistance
- b. Full Technical Proposal – Discussion of the nature and scope of the research and technical approach. Additional information on prior work in this area, descriptions of available equipment, data, and facilities, and resumes of personnel who will be participating in this effort should also be included.
- c. Cost Proposal/Budget – Clear, concise, and accurate cost proposals reflect the offeror's financial plan for accomplishing the effort contained in the technical proposal. As part of its cost proposal, the offeror shall submit a full budget in sufficient detail so that a reasonableness determination can be made. A recommended template will be included in the invitation to Phase II. The SF 424 Research & Related Budget Form can be used as a guide but is required if the sub-recipient uses it. The cost breakdown should include the following, if applicable:
 1. Direct Labor: Direct labor should be detailed by level of effort (i.e., numbers of hours, etc.) of each labor category and the applicable labor rate. The source of labor rates shall be identified and verified. If rates are estimated, please provide the historical based used and clearly identify all escalation applied to derive the proposed rates.
 2. Fringe Benefit Rates: The source of fringe benefit rate shall be identified and verified.
 3. Travel: Travel costs must include a purpose and breakdown per trip to include destination, number of travelers, and duration.
 4. Materials/Equipment: List all material/equipment items by type and kind with associated costs and advise if the costs are based on vendor

- quotes and/or engineering estimates; provide copies of vendor quotes and/or catalog pricing data.
5. Subrecipient costs: Submit all subrecipient proposals and analyses. Provide the method of selection used to determine the subrecipient.
 6. Tuition: Provide details and verification for any tuition amounts proposed.
 7. Indirect Costs: Currently the negotiated indirect rate for awards through the CESU is 17.5%.
 8. Any other proposed costs: The source should be identified and verified.

d. R&R Senior/Key Person Profile

1. Biographical Sketch

2. Disclosure of Current and Pending Support:

- i. A list of all current projects the individual is working on, in addition to any future support the individual has applied to receive, regardless of the source.
- ii. Title and objectives of the other research projects.
- iii. The percentage per year to be devoted to the other projects.
- iv. The total amount of support the individual is receiving in connection to each of the other research projects or will receive if other applications are awarded.
- v. Name and address of the agencies and/or other parties supporting the other research projects.
- vi. Period of performance for the other research projects.

e. SF-LLL Disclosure of Lobbying Activities (if award value exceeds \$100,000.00)

f. Data Management Plan:

A data management plan is a document that describes which data generated through the course of the proposed research will be shared and preserved, how it will be done, or explains why data sharing or preservation is not possible or scientifically appropriate, or why the costs of sharing or preservation are incommensurate with the value of doing so. See also: DoD Instruction 3200.12.

<https://www.esd.whs.mil/Portals/54/Documents/DD/issuances/dodi/320012p.pdf?ver=2019-04-30-073122-220>

Data management plans are generally 2 pages in length, and must include the following considerations:

- (1) The types of data, software, and other materials to be produced.
- (2) How the data will be acquired.
- (3) Time and location of data acquisition, if scientifically pertinent.
- (4) How the data will be processed.
- (5) The file formats and the naming conventions that will be used.
- (6) A description of the quality assurance and quality control measures during

collection, analysis, and processing.

(7) A description of dataset origin when existing data resources are used.

(8) A description of the standards to be used for data and metadata format and content.

(9) Appropriate timeframe for preservation.

(10) The plan may consider the balance between the relative value of data preservation and other factors such as the associated cost and administrative burden. The plan will provide a justification for such decisions.

3. ERDC will only accept full application packages submitted on or before 18 July 2023, 13:00 Central Time (CT).

4. Submission Instructions

Choose **ONE** of the following submission methods:

a. E-mail:

Format all documents to print on Letter (8 ½ x 11”) paper. E-mail proposal to Stacy Thurman, Stacy.D.Thurman@usace.army.mil

b. Grants.gov: <https://www.grants.gov/>:

Applicants are not required to submit proposals through Grants.gov. However, if applications are submitted via the internet, applicants are responsible for ensuring that their Grants.gov proposal submission is received in its entirety.

All applicants choosing to use Grants.gov to submit proposals must be registered and have an account with Grants.gov. It may take up to three weeks to complete Grants.gov registration. For more information on registration, go to <https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/applicants.html>.

Organizations must have a Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) and active System for Award Management (SAM) registration to apply for Federal financial assistance.

C. Application Withdrawal:

An applicant may withdraw an application at any time before award by written notice via email. Notice of withdrawal shall be sent to the agency point of contact identified in this announcement and are effective upon receipt.

D. Funding Restrictions

Per 2 CFR § 200.216, funds may not be used to procure telecommunications equipment or video surveillance services or equipment produced by

- Huawei Technologies Company,
- ZTE Corporation Hytera Communications Corporation,
- Hangzhou Hikvision Digital Technology Company,
- Dahua Technology Company

- any subsidiary or affiliate of such entities

Funds from an award may not be used to attain fee or profit.

V. Application Review Information

A. Selection Criteria

Applications will be evaluated using the following criteria, listed in descending order of importance:

- Technical merits of the proposed research and development; and
- Potential relationship of the proposed research and development to Department of Defense missions
- Past experience with Hurricane Evacuation Study work.

B. Review and Selection Process:

Each application will be reviewed based on the selection criteria above rather than against other applications submitted under this Announcement.

Based on the Peer or Scientific Review, proposals will be categorized as Selectable or Not Selectable (see definitions below). The selection of the source for award will be based on the Peer or Scientific Review, as well as importance to agency programs and funding availability.

- i. **Selectable:** Proposals are recommended for acceptance if sufficient funding is available.
- ii. **Not Selectable:** Even if sufficient funding existed, the proposal should not be funded.

Note: The Government reserves the right to award some, all, or none of proposals. When the Government elects to award only a part of a proposal, the selected part may be categorized as Selectable, though the proposal as a whole may not merit such a categorization.

In addition to the technical/program review, the DoD performs a budget review and a risk review as directed by 2 CFR 200.206, including a review of the Federal Awardee Performance and Integrity Information System (FAPIIS). Applicants may review information in FAPIIS and comment on any information entered into that system. Comments made by applicants will be considered in addition to other information in considering applicants' integrity, business ethics, and record of performance.

VI. Federal Award Administration Information

The notification e-mail regarding a selection is not authorization to commit or expend DoD funds. A DoD grants officer is the only person authorized to obligate and approve the use of federal funds. This authorization is in the form of a signed Notice of Award. Applicants whose applications are recommended will be contacted by a DoD grants officer to discuss any additional information required for award. This may include representations and certifications,

revised budgets or budget explanations, or other information as applicable to the proposed award. The award start date will be determined at this time.

VII. Reporting Requirements

The terms and conditions of the award will provide the specifics on how to submit the reports and any required sections for those reports.

In accordance with 2 CFR 200.328 (Financial Reporting) and 2 CFR 200.329 (Program Performance)

Report	Requirements/Form	Frequency	Means of Submission
ERDC Progress Report		Upon submittal of SF270	E-mail
Research Performance Progress Reports (Interim and Final)	OMB Control Number: 0704-0527	Annually	E-mail
Financial Report	SF 425	Quarterly	E-mail
Payment Report	SF 270	Monthly	E-mail
Closeout Report		Once	E-mail

Awardees will need to comply with the reporting requirements in 2 CFR 170: Reporting Subaward and Executive Compensation Information.

The terms and conditions of the award will provide the specifics on how to submit the reports and any required sections for those reports.

VIII. Federal Contacts

Questions should be directed to:

Stacy Thurman
 Grants Specialist
 Stacy.D.Thurman@usace.army.mil

Chelsea Whitten
 Grants Officer
 Chelsea.M.Whitten@usace.army.mil

Questions regarding Grants.gov should be directed to the toll-free number 1-800-518-4726 and email at support@grants.gov.

IX. Other Information

The Federal government is not obligated to make any Federal award as a result of the announcement. Only grants officers can bind the Federal government to the expenditure of fund.

Applicants are advised to monitor Grants.gov for potential amendments to this Notice of Funding Opportunity. You can also elect to be automatically notified by Grants.gov whenever there is a change to the opportunity.

Applications must not include any information that has been identified as classified national security information under authorities established in Executive Order 12958, Classified National Security Information.