



## Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities 2022 BRIC

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Mr. Jeff Hintz,

Congratulations, on behalf of Montana Disaster and Emergency Services (MT DES). Your application for financial assistance for the Sidney Meadows Drainage Improvements project submitted under 2022 BRIC, Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities Grant, has been approved in the amount of \$1,277,685.00. As a condition of this award, you are required to contribute a cost match in the amount of \$511,074.00 of non-Federal funds. **The State of Montana is able to cover the \$511,074.00 match with state resiliency dollars.** You will see this reflected on the amended obligation page below. Please sign this document and return to us no later than June 27, 2024 so we can get this finalized before state fiscal year end.

The total project award is \$1,788,759.00.

Before you request and receive any of the Federal funds awarded, you must establish acceptance of the award. By accepting this award, you acknowledge that the terms of the following documents are incorporated into the terms of your award:

- Agreement Articles (attached to this Award Letter)
- Obligating Document for Award (attached to this Award Letter)
- FEMA Region 8 Environmental and Historical Preservation (EHP)
- FEMA Record of Environmental Consideration (REC)

Please make sure you read, understand, and maintain a copy of these documents in your official file for this award. In order to establish acceptance of the award and its terms, please complete, sign and return the Obligating Document for Award to MT DES.

For additional assistance, please contact Sara Hartley, at [sara.hartley@mt.gov](mailto:sara.hartley@mt.gov) or 406-417-9238.

Sincerely,

Sara Hartley  
State Hazard Mitigation Officer  
Montana Disaster and Emergency Services

Cc: City of Sidney, MT



**AGREEMENT ARTICLES**

**Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities**

**SUB-RECIPIENT:** City of Sidney  
**PROGRAM:** Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities  
**AGREEMENT NUMBER:** EMD-2022-BR-001-0001

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## **Article 1 - Assurances, Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, Representations and Certifications**

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 applicable to their program as instructed by the awarding agency. Please contact the DHS FAO if you have any questions. 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. By accepting this agreement, the recipient and its executives, as defined in 2 C.F.R. § 170.315, certify that the recipient policies are in accordance with OMB guidance located at 2 C.F.R. Part 200, all applicable federal laws, and relevant Executive guidance.

## **Article 2 - DHS Specific 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. 1. Recipients must cooperate with any compliance reviews or compliance investigations conducted by DHS. 2. Recipients must give DHS access to, and the right 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, personnel, and other individuals and information as may be necessary, as required by DHS regulations and other applicable laws or program guidance. 3. Recipients must submit timely, complete, and accurate reports to the appropriate DHS officials and maintain appropriate backup documentation to support the reports. 4. Recipients must comply with all other special reporting, data collection, and evaluation requirements, as prescribed by law or detailed in program guidance. 5. Recipients of federal financial assistance from DHS must complete the DHS Civil Rights Evaluation Tool within thirty (30) days of receipt of the Notice of Award or, for State Administrative Agencies, thirty (30) days from receipt of the DHS Civil Rights Evaluation Tool from DHS or its awarding component agency. After the initial submission for the first award under which this term applies, recipients are required to provide this information once every two (2) years if they have an active award, not every time a award is made. Recipients should submit the completed tool, including supporting materials, to [CivilRightsEvaluation@hq.dhs.gov](mailto: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 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](mailto:CivilRightsEvaluation@hq.dhs.gov) prior to expiration of the 30-day deadline.

## **Article 3 - 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.

## **Article 4 - Activities Conducted Abroad**

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

## **Article 5 - Age Discrimination Act of 1975**

Recipients must comply with the requirements of the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, Pub. L. No. 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.

## **Article 6 - 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. No. 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.

## **Article 7 - 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 at: [http://www.dhs.gov/xlibrary/assets/privacy/privacy\\_pia\\_guidance\\_june2010.pdf](http://www.dhs.gov/xlibrary/assets/privacy/privacy_pia_guidance_june2010.pdf)

## **Article 8 - 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.

## **Article 9 - Civil Rights Act of 1968**

Recipients must comply with Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, Pub. L. No. 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.)

## **Article 10 - 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.

## **Article 11 - 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 3000. 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.

## **Article 12 - Drug-Free Workplace Regulations**

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).

## **Article 13 - Duplication of Benefits**

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.

## **Article 14 - 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.

#### **Article 15 - 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.

#### **Article 16 - 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.)

#### **Article 17 - 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.)

#### **Article 18 - 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.

#### **Article 19 - 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. § 41102) 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.

#### **Article 20 - Hotel and Motel Fire Safety Act of 1990**

In accordance with Section 6 of the Hotel and Motel Fire Safety Act of 1990, 15 U.S.C. § 2225a, 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 the Federal Fire Prevention and Control Act of 1974, (codified as amended at 15 U.S.C. § 2225.)

#### **Article 21 - Limited English Proficiency (Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title VI)**

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 reference additional resources on <http://www.lep.gov>.

#### **Article 22 - 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.

## **Article 23 - 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.

## **Article 24 - Nondiscrimination in Matters Pertaining to Faith-Based Organizations**

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 statutes, regulations, and guidance governing the participations of faith-based organizations in individual DHS programs.

## **Article 25 - 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 nonfederal sources.

## **Article 26 - 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.

## **Article 27 - 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.

## **Article 28 - 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.

## **Article 29 - 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.

## **Article 30 - Reporting of Matters Related to Recipient Integrity and Performance**

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.

### **Article 31 - Reporting Subawards and Executive Compensation**

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.

### **Article 32 - 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.

### **Article 33 - 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.

### **Article 34 - Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 (TVPA)**

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.

### **Article 35 - Universal Identifier and System of Award Management**

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.

### **Article 36 - 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), Pub. L. No. 107-56, which amends 18 U.S.C. §§ 175–175c.

### **Article 37 - 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.

### **Article 38 - 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.

### **Article 39 - Acceptance of Post Award Changes**

In the event FEMA determines that changes are necessary to the award document after an award has been made, including changes to period of performance or terms and conditions, recipients will be notified of the changes in writing. Once notification has been made, any subsequent request for funds will indicate recipient acceptance of the changes to the award. Please call the FEMA/GMD Call Center at (866) 927-5646 or via e-mail to [ASKGMD@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:ASKGMD@fema.dhs.gov) if you have any questions.

### **Article 40 - Prior Approval for Modification of Approved Budget**



Before making any change to the FEMA approved budget for this award, you must request prior written approval from FEMA where required by 2 C.F.R. § 200.308. FEMA is also utilizing its discretion to impose an additional restriction under 2 C.F.R. § 200.308(f) regarding the transfer of funds among direct cost categories, programs, functions, or activities. Therefore, for awards with an approved budget where the federal share is greater than the simplified acquisition threshold (currently \$250,000), you may not transfer funds among direct cost categories, programs, functions, or activities without prior written approval from FEMA where the cumulative amount of such transfers exceeds or is expected to exceed ten percent (10%) of the total budget FEMA last approved. You must report any deviations from your FEMA approved budget in the first Federal Financial Report (SF-425) you submit following any budget deviation, regardless of whether the budget deviation requires prior written approval.

#### **Article 41 - Disposition of Equipment Acquired Under the Federal Award**

When original or replacement equipment acquired under this award by the recipient or its subrecipients is no longer needed for the original project or program or for other activities currently or previously supported by a federal awarding agency, you must request instructions from FEMA to make proper disposition of the equipment pursuant to 2 C.F.R. § 200.313.

#### **Article 42 - Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation (EHP) Review**

DHS/FEMA funded activities that may require an EHP review are subject to the FEMA Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation (EHP) review process. This review does not address all federal, state, and local requirements. Acceptance of federal funding requires recipient to comply with all federal, state, and local laws. DHS/FEMA is required to consider the potential impacts to natural and cultural resources of all projects funded by DHS/FEMA grant funds, through its EHP Review process, as mandated by the National Environmental Policy Act; National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended; National Flood Insurance Program regulations; and any other applicable laws and Executive Orders. To access the FEMA EHP screening form and instructions, go to the DHS/FEMA website at: <https://www.fema.gov/media-library/assets/documents/90195>. In order to initiate EHP review of your project(s), you must complete all relevant sections of this form and submit it to the Grant Programs Directorate (GPD) along with all other pertinent project information. The EHP review process must be completed before funds are released to carry out the proposed project; otherwise, DHS/FEMA may not be able to fund the project due to noncompliance with EHP laws, executive order, regulations, and policies. If ground disturbing activities occur during construction, applicant will monitor ground disturbance, and if any potential archeological resources are discovered, applicant will immediately cease work in that area and notify the pass-through entity, if applicable, and DHS/FEMA.

#### **Article 43 - Award Performance Goals**

FEMA will measure the recipient's performance of the grant by comparing the number of supplies needed and requested in its application, the number of supplies acquired and delivered by the end of the period of performance, and the performance metric as stated in the NOFO to equip 100 percent of on-duty active members with Personal Protective Equipment. In order to measure performance, FEMA may request information throughout the period of performance. In its final performance report submitted at closeout, the recipient is required to report on the number of PPE purchased and the percentage of on duty active members provided with PPE in compliance with the standards described in the NOFO.

#### **Article 44 - Performance Measures**

BRIC aims to implement projects that reduce risks posed by natural hazards, and reduce future losses, by funding priority projects and activities. To achieve these goals, BRIC is prioritizing the following types of projects: infrastructure projects, those that mitigate risk to lifelines, those that incorporate nature-based solutions, and projects proposed by applicants who adopt and enforce mandatory tribal, territory, or state-wide building codes based on the latest published editions of building codes. FEMA will measure the percent of dollars invested in these priorities, which will indicate that BRIC projects expect to meet the goal of reducing both risk posed by natural hazards and future losses. Based on the review of your application, FEMA has verified that the claimed costs are consistent with the stated program objective. By accepting this award, you certify that the total Federal award will measure the percent of dollars invested in these priorities and costs incurred by the recipient in keeping with the program objective. BRIC is a new program, and as a result, FEMA will further assess the recipient's performance against the program objective during the award closeout process as outlined in Section F.3 of the Grant Notice of Funding Opportunity

#### **Article 45 - Changes to Title 2, Code of Federal Regulations**

The references in the **BRIC NOFO** to regulations in 2 C.F.R. Parts 25, 170, and 200 have been superseded by recent revisions by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). Most of the changes are **effective November 12, 2020**, with a couple effective **August 13, 2020**. See OMB, Guidance for Grants and Agreements, Final Guidance, 85 Fed. Reg. 49,506 (Aug. 13, 2020), <https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2020-08-13/pdf/2020-17468.pdf>. The **FY 2020 BRIC NOFO** was published before these rules were revised, but since this award is being made after all revisions went into effect, the revised rules apply to this award. To the extent the requirements or regulatory citations are the same, the **FY 2020 BRIC NOFO** will continue to apply to this award. Conversely, to the extent there is a conflict between the **FY 2020 BRIC NOFO** and the revised 2 C.F.R. regulations, the language and citations of the revised 2 C.F.R. regulations will apply. Additional information on the changes to these regulations, including specific revisions regarding closeout and procurement under grants, can be found at <https://www.fema.gov/grants/guidance-tools/2-cfr-2020>

#### **Article 46 - Construction Project Requirements**

1. Acceptance of Federal funding requires the Recipient and any Subrecipients to comply with all Federal, state and local laws prior to the start of any construction activity. Failure to obtain all appropriate Federal, state and local environmental permits and clearances may jeopardize Federal funding.
2. Any change to the approved scope of work will require re-evaluation by FEMA for Recipient and Subrecipient compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act and other laws and Executive Orders.
3. If ground disturbing activities occur during construction, the Recipient and any Subrecipients must ensure monitoring of ground disturbance and, if any potential archaeological resources are discovered, the Subrecipient will immediately cease construction in that area and notify the Recipient and FEMA.

#### **Article 47 - Copyright and Data Rights**

The recipient is free to copyright any original work developed in the course of or under this Grant Agreement. The recipient acknowledges that DHS/FEMA reserves a royalty-free, non-exclusive and irrevocable license to reproduce, publish, or otherwise use, and authorize others to use, for Federal Government purposes: 1) the copyright in any work developed under an award or subaward; and 2) any rights of copyright to which a recipient or subrecipient purchases ownership with Federal support in a manner consistent with 2 C.F.R. § 200.315. The recipient acknowledges that DHS/FEMA has the right to obtain, reproduce, publish, or otherwise use the data produced under a Federal award and authorize others to so for Federal Government purposes in a manner consistent with 2 C.F.R. § 200.315.

#### **Article 48 - Remedies for Noncompliance and Enforcement**

FEMA remedies for noncompliance will be processed as specified in 2 C.F.R. §§ 200.339-200.343, and for acquisitions under this award for open space, FEMA enforcement remedies shall be processed as specified in 44 C.F.R. § 80.19(e), when the Terms and Conditions of this Grant Agreement are not met.

#### **Article 49 - Insurance**

In compliance with 42 U.S.C. § 4012a(a), when financial assistance is approved for acquisition or construction purposes within the Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA), flood insurance shall be maintained for the life of the property regardless of transfer of ownership for any properties.

#### **Article 50 - HMA Duplication of Benefits**

Hazard Mitigation Assistance (HMA) funds cannot duplicate or be duplicated by funds received by or available to Applicants, Subapplicants, or project or planning participants from other sources for the same cost or activity already paid for by another source of funding, such as benefits received from insurance claims, other assistance programs (including previous project or planning grants and subawards from HMA programs), legal awards, or other benefits associated with properties or damage that are or could be subject of litigation. Because the availability of other sources of mitigation grant or loan assistance is subject to available information and the means of each individual Applicant, HMA does not require proof that other assistance (not including insurance) has been sought. However, it is the responsibility of the property owner to report other benefits received, any applications for other assistance, the availability of insurance proceeds, or the potential for other compensation, such as from pending legal claims for damages, relating to the property. Amounts of other grants, loans or other assistance designated for the same purpose as HMA funds, if received, may be used to reduce the non-Federal cost-share. Where the property owner has an insurance policy covering any loss to the property

which relates to the proposed HMA project, the means are available for receiving compensation for a loss or, in the case of increased cost of compliance (ICC), assistance toward certain mitigation projects. FEMA will generally require that the property owner file a claim prior to the receipt of HMA funds.

#### **Article 51 - Additional Non-Discrimination Requirements**

Applicants/Recipients and Subapplicants/Subrecipients will ensure that no discrimination is practiced. Applicants must consider fairness, equity, and equal access when prioritizing and selecting project subapplications to submit with their application. Subapplicants and Subrecipients must ensure fairness, equity, and equal access when consulting and making offers of mitigation to property owners that benefit from mitigation activities.

#### **Article 52 - Changes in Scope of Work**

Requests for changes to the scope of work (SOW) after award are permissible as long as they do not change the nature or total project cost of the activity, properties identified in the subapplication, the feasibility and effectiveness of the project, or the benefit cost ratio. Requests must be supported by adequate justification from the applicant in order to be processed. The justification is a description of the proposed change, a written explanation of the reason or reasons for the change; an outline of remaining funds available to support the change; and a full description of the work necessary to complete the activity. All approvals will be at FEMA's discretion, and there is no guarantee that SOW changes will be approved.

#### **Article 53 - Recoupment of Funds**

FEMA will recoup mitigation planning grant funds for grants that do not meet the deliverable criteria of an adopted, FEMA-approved mitigation plan by the end of the performance period.

#### **Article 54 - Recovery of Funds**

The Recipient will process the recovery of assistance paid to Subrecipients processed through error, misrepresentation, or fraud or if funds are spent inappropriately. Recovered funds shall be submitted to FEMA as soon as the funds are collected, but no later than 90 days from the expiration date of the appropriate grant award agreement.

#### **Article 55 - Reporting of Fraud**

All fraud identifications will be reported to the Department of Homeland Security Office of Inspector General (OIG). The Recipient agrees to cooperate with investigation conducted by the DHS OIG.

#### **Article 56 - Closeout and Final Reports**

Because of recent changes to 2 C.F.R. Part 200 that went into effect for awards issued on or after November 12, 2020, the Recipient shall submit a final Federal Financial Report (FFR or SF-425) for project completion, as certified by the Recipient, final Program Performance Report (SF-PPR), and all other closeout documents 120 days after the end date of the performance period per the new 2 C.F.R. § 200.344.

#### **Article 57 - Record Retention**

Records shall be retained for at least 3 years (except in certain rare circumstances) from the date the final Federal Financial Report for project completion as certified by the Recipient is submitted to FEMA in compliance with 2 C.F.R. Part 200 (specifically the new 2 C.F.R. § 200.334 effective Nov. 12, 2020) and Section 705 of the Stafford Act (42 U.S.C. § 5205).

#### **Article 58 - Termination**

FEMA may terminate a federal award in whole or in part for one of the following reasons. FEMA and the recipient must still comply with closeout requirements at 2 C.F.R. §§ 200.344-200.345 even if an award is terminated in whole or in part. To the extent that subawards are permitted under this NOFO, passthrough entities should refer to 2 C.F.R. § 200.340 for additional information on termination regarding subawards. Noncompliance: If a recipient fails to comply with the terms and conditions of a federal award, FEMA may terminate the award in whole or in part. If the noncompliance can be corrected, FEMA may first attempt to direct the recipient to correct the noncompliance. This may take the form of a Compliance

Notification. If the noncompliance cannot be corrected or the recipient is non-responsive, FEMA may proceed with a Remedy Notification, which could impose a remedy for noncompliance per 2 C.F.R. § 200.339, including termination. Any action to terminate based on noncompliance will follow the requirements of 2 C.F.R. §§ 200.341-200.342 as well as the requirement of 2 C.F.R. § 200.340(c) to report in FAPIIS the recipient's material failure to comply with the award terms and conditions. With the Consent of the Recipient: FEMA may also terminate an award in whole or in part with the consent of the recipient, in which case the parties must agree upon the termination conditions, including the effective date, and in the case of partial termination, the portion to be terminated. Notification by the Recipient: The recipient may terminate the award, in whole or in part, by sending written notification to FEMA setting forth the reasons for such termination, the effective date, and in the case of partial termination, the portion to be terminated. In the case of partial termination, FEMA may determine that a partially terminated award will not accomplish the purpose of the federal award, so FEMA may terminate the award in its entirety. If that occurs, FEMA will follow the requirements of 2 C.F.R. §§ 200.341-200.342 in deciding to fully terminate the award.

#### **Article 59 - Standard Condition #1**

Any change to the approved scope of work will require re-evaluation for compliance with NEPA and other Laws and Executive Orders.

#### **Article 60 - Standard Condition #2**

This review does not address all federal, state and local requirements. Acceptance of federal funding requires recipient to comply with all federal, state and local laws. Failure to obtain all appropriate federal, state and local environmental permits and clearances may jeopardize federal funding.

#### **Article 61 - Standard Condition #3**

If ground disturbing activities occur during construction, applicant will monitor ground disturbance and if any potential archeological resources are discovered, will immediately cease construction in that area and notify the State and FEMA.

#### **Article 62 - MT DES Specific Acknowledgements and Assurances**

Sub-recipients must acknowledge and agree to comply with applicable provisions governing MT DES access to records, accounts, documents, information, facilities, and staff.

1. Sub-recipients must cooperate with any compliance reviews or compliance investigations conducted by MT DES.
2. Sub-recipients must give MT DES access to, and the right 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, personnel, and other individuals and information as may be necessary, as required by MT DES regulations and other applicable laws or program guidance.
3. Sub-recipients must submit timely, complete, and accurate reports to the appropriate MT DES officials and maintain appropriate backup documentation to support the reports.
4. Sub-recipients must comply with all other special reporting, data collection, and evaluation requirements, as prescribed by law or detailed in program guidance.
5. The State of Montana shall not be liable for any reimbursement amount greater than the award amount available to each sub-recipient.
6. Failure of the Agency to accomplish Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities objectives may result in the reduction or withholding of funds, or other action, as determined by MT DES.

MT DES has the right to seek judicial enforcement of these obligations.

#### **Article 63 - Accruals**

As established within Montana Operations Manual Policy, accrual documentation is required of all sub-recipients by the Montana Department of Administration, State Financial Services Division, and must be submitted to MT DES no later than the second week of June, or as instructed by MT DES.

#### **Article 64 – Build America, Buy America Act (BABAA)**

This Act requires the following "Buy America" preference for all BRIC recipients and subrecipients:

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.
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.

Additional FEMA BABAA information: <https://www.fema.gov/grants/policy-guidance/buy-america>

### **Article 65 – Authorized Representative**

As evidenced by the signatures found in the Letter of Obligation, the Sub-Recipient Signatory Official agrees to appoint the Sub-Recipient Authorized Representative to act on behalf of the **City of Sidney**. This individual shall be duly authorized with all necessary powers with regard to the administration and oversight of the **Sidney Meadows Drainage Improvements Project awarded under the Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) grant**. The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) number associated with this grant is **97.047**.

## Obligating Document for Award

AGREEMENT NUMBER:  <b>EMD-2022-BR-001-0001</b>	SUB-RECIPIENT NAME AND ADDRESS:  City of Sidney 115 2nd Street SE Sidney, MT 59270	ISSUING STATE OFFICE AND ADDRESS:  Montana Disaster and Emergency Services P.O. Box 4789 1956 MT Majo Street Fort Harrison, MT 59636-4789
AMENDMENT NUMBER:		
NAME OF SUB-RECIPIENT AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE:  Jeff Hintz	SUB-RECIPIENT AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE CONTACT INFORMATION:  <a href="mailto:publicworks@cityofsidneymt.com">publicworks@cityofsidneymt.com</a> 406-480-5008	MT DES AUTHORIZED ORGANIZATION REPRESENTATIVE:  Sara Hartley State Hazard Mitigation Officer <a href="mailto:Sara.Hartley@mt.gov">Sara.Hartley@mt.gov</a> 406-417-9238
EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ACTION:  06/23/2024	METHOD OF PAYMENT:  EFT	NAME AND CONTACT INFORMATION OF MT DES GRANT COORDINATORS:  Sara Hartley 406-417-9238
FEDERAL AWARD AMOUNT: \$1,192,506.00  LOCAL MATCH AMOUNT: \$0.00  <b>STATE RESILIENCY DOLLARS: \$511,074.00</b>  SUBRECIPIENT MANAGEMENT COSTS: \$85,179.00  TOTAL PROJECT COST: \$1,788,759.00		PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE: From: 06/20/2024 To: 06/19/2027  BUDGET PERIOD: From: 06/20/2024 To: 06/19/2027
ASSISTANCE ARRANGEMENT:  Cost Reimbursement	CFDA #:  <b>97.047</b>	
SUB-RECIPIENT SIGNATORY OFFICIAL (Name and Title)		DATE
SUB-RECIPIENT AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE (Name and Title)		DATE

MT DES SIGNATORY OFFICIAL (Name and Title)	DATE
Jake Ganieany, Recovery & Mitigation Bureau Chief, Authorized Organizational Representative	