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Building Regional Communities

NARC Livability Webinar & Discussion

Friday, February 12, 2010, 2 pm EST

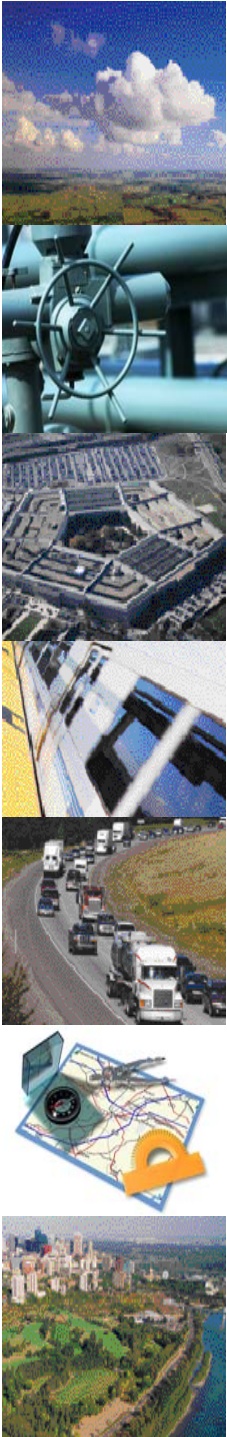
Call Agenda

- Current State of Play
- HUD Regional Planning Grants
- Critical Next Steps
- Discussion



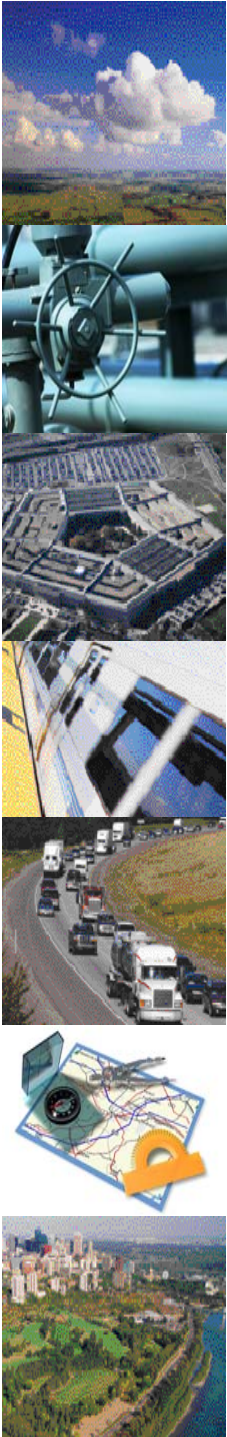
Current State of Play

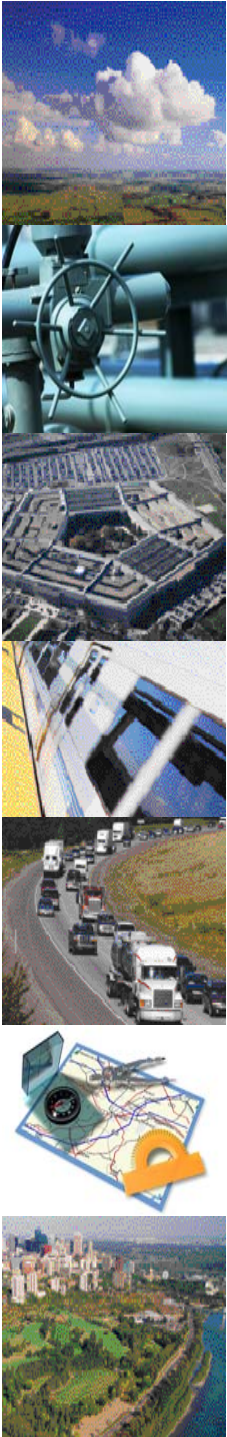
- Congress
 - S.1619, Livable Communities Act of 2009
 - Send a letter of support
 - Rep. Perlmutter to Introduce Bill
 - House Livable Communities Task Force
- Administration
 - White House Office of Urban Affairs
 - Sustainable Communities Partnership
 - New HUD Office
 - **HUD Regional Planning Grants**



Sustainable Communities Partnership

- EPA-DOT-HUD
 - other agencies on the periphery
- 6 Livability Principles
 - Provide more transportation choices
 - Promote equitable, affordable housing
 - Enhance economic competitiveness
 - Support existing communities
 - Coordinate policies and leverage investment
 - Value communities and neighborhoods
- Principles incorporated into HUD grants program





HUD Regional Planning Grants

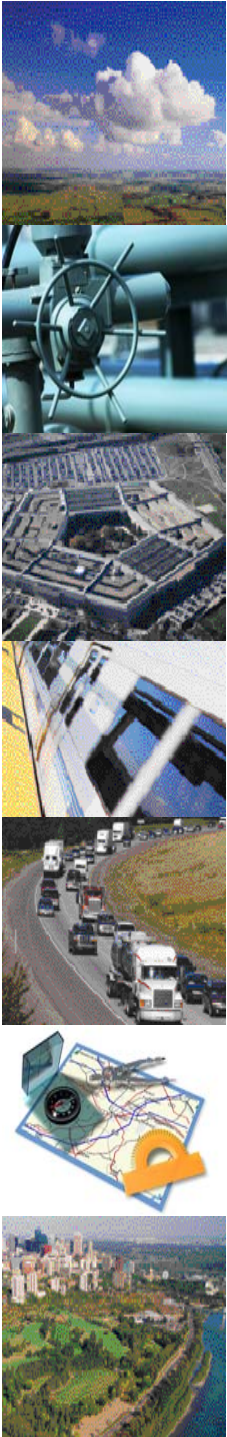
General Info

- FY10 Appropriation of \$150M to HUD for Sustainable Communities initiative – REGIONAL PLANNING
- 2/5/10 Advance Notice & Public Comment Request
- How to best structure and spend \$100M Sustainable Communities Regional Planning Funds
- Public Comments must be submitted by 3/12/10
- HUGE opportunity for regional councils!

HUD Regional Planning Grants

HUD's NOFA Process

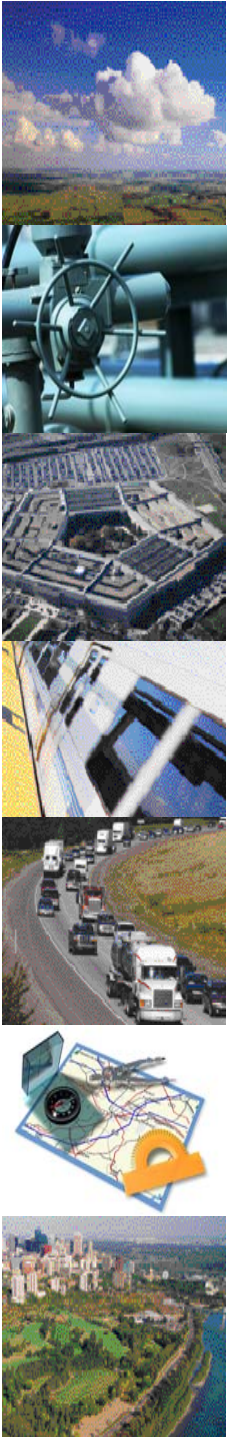
1. Public Comment and Outreach on \$100M Regional Planning Grants Program and Funding Structure (due 3/12/10)
2. \$100M Regional Planning NOFA on 4/12/10
3. \$2M Technical Assistance Implementation
4. \$40M Community Planning Challenge Grants Program



HUD Regional Planning Grants

Program Categories for \$100M

1. Creation of Regional Plans for Sustainable Development – integrate housing, economic development, transportation and environment
2. Preparation for detailed execution plans – implement integrated regional visions
3. Implementation of Plans

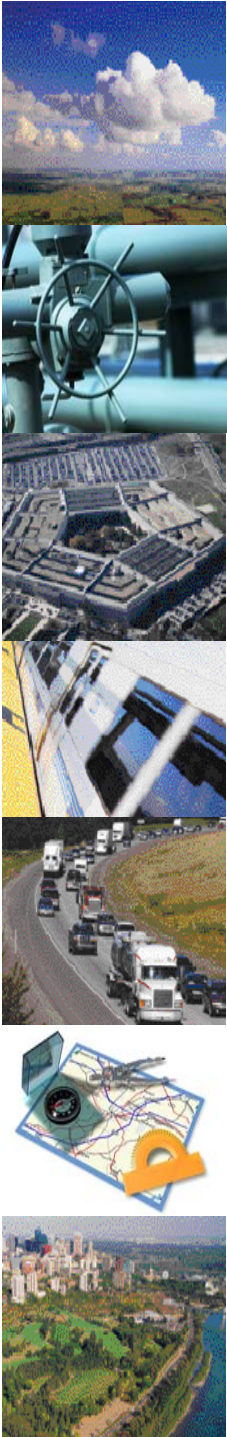


HUD Regional Planning Grants

HUD Plan Definition

Regional Plan for Sustainable Development

- Identifies housing, transportation, economic development, land use, environmental, energy, green space and water infrastructure priorities and goals in a region
- Establishes locally-appropriate performance goals and measures outcomes
- Provides strategies for meeting the goals
- Prioritizes projects that for implementation of the plan
- Identifies responsible implementing entities and funding sources
- Engages residents and stakeholders



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Eligibility for \$100M

1. Small Metro or Rural Areas

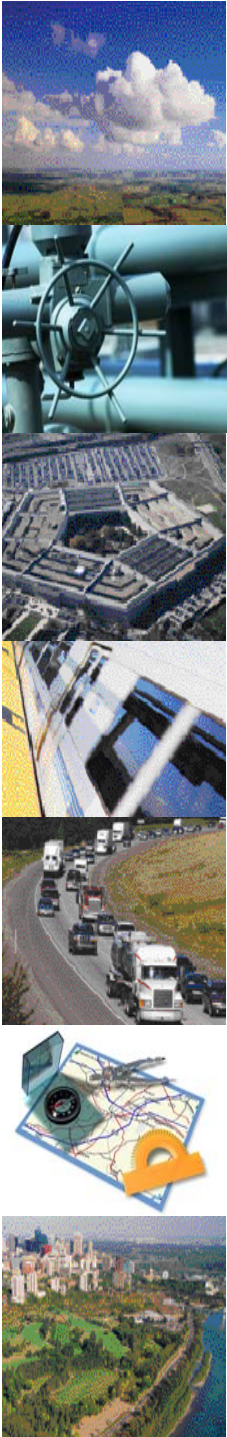
- <499,999 pop
- <\$2M/org
- At least \$25M of total allocation

2. Large Metro Areas

- <500,000 pop
- <\$5M/org

3. 20% Local Match/In-Kind

- ### 4. Eligible Entities - Multi-jurisdictional and multi-sector partnership consisting of units of general local government and all government, civic, philanthropic and business entities with responsibility for implementing the plan



HUD Regional Planning Grants Timeline

2/16 – 3/1: Regional Listening Sessions

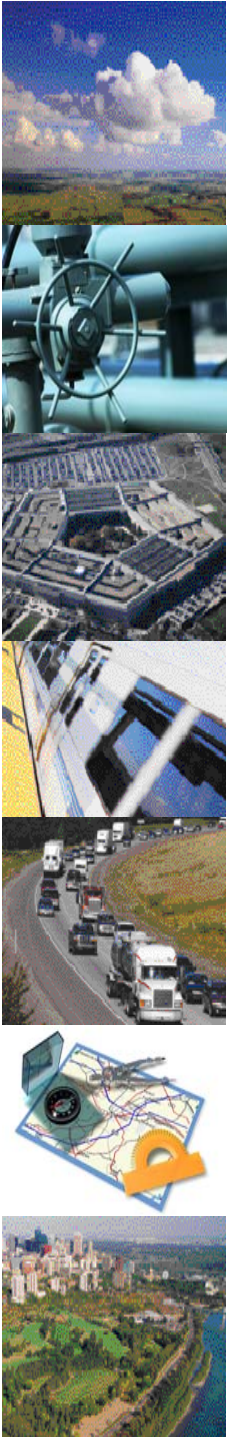
3/1 – 3/7: Webcast Briefings

3/12: Public Comments Due

4/12 – 4/19: \$100M NOFA Published

Approx. 6/5: Applications due to HUD

Approx. 8/2: Announcement of Awards



Critical Next Steps

SUBMIT PUBLIC COMMENTS & Work with NARC

- Opportunity to showcase regional benefits
- Determine important regional messages
- Ensure unity in nationwide messaging
- Answer as many HUD-posed questions as possible
- Showcase on-the-ground successes
- Ensure integrated planning can be implemented with measured success
- Be creative
- Reinforce existing regional planning organization role and capabilities
- Stress the focus on both urban and rural



Discussion

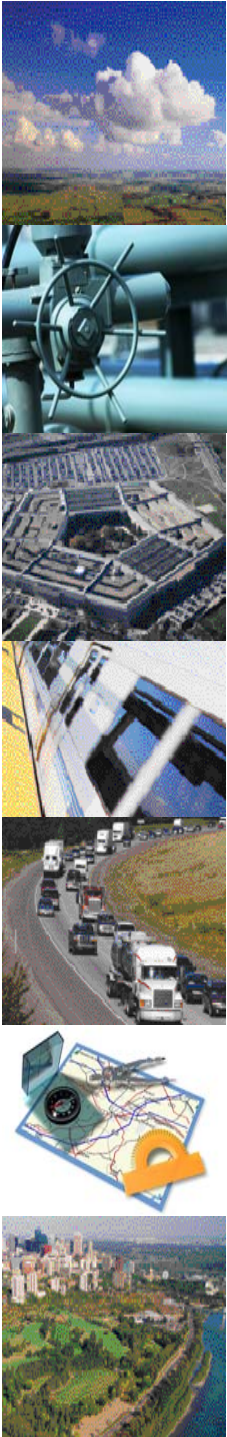
Questions? Comments? Suggestions?

Specific Questions:

What are critical elements to include in comments?

What are some common regional themes that all can incorporate?





THANK YOU!

Please send NARC your suggestions and your organization's public comment submission.

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