

AIP Round Table: FY-09 AIP Program B

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Presentation Overview

- Hurdles to avoid
- How did we get here
- Issues
- Lessons learned
- Strategies



Hurdles To Avoid



- Inability to accept a grant.
- Inability to begin construction this season
- Inability to issue grant based on bid
- Last minute changes in project (scope changes)

How We Got Here

- **1/2 Year legislation**
 - Had to cover noise/LOI
 - Not a 1:1 reduction
 - Result is less entitlements available
- **Reality – 3 separate programs**
 - AIP Program A
 - ARRA (Economic Recovery)
 - AIP Program B
- **If things go well, this will be the earliest we've received 'big money' in a few years**



Issues

- **Useable unit**
 - If you took AIP Program A grant (as part of a phased project), your Program B grant must result in a useable unit of work as identified in the grant
- **Use of AIP Program B entitlements**
 - Can't carry over if you want discretionary, state apportionment or ARRA funds
 - Need to use on high priority work
- **Justification is necessary**



Issues continued

- **Just Say No:**
 - To waiting.
 - There is not as much time as you think to get project bid
 - Early bids have beat engineer estimate by 10% - 30%
 - Early bids have greater chance of full funding
 - Get early coordination, as appropriate
 - To project scope changes
 - If phased under AIP Program A, stick with it



Lessons Learned

- **Plan, plan, plan!**
 - Have an idea what you want to do. Then stick with it.
 - Have a reasonable financial plan and coordinate with FAA.
 - If you have no plan for your entitlements, carry them over early.
- **Take a chance...**
 - Get your project ready early. If you can, have project already designed



Lessons Learned continued

- **Proper coordination**
 - Security projects need letter from TSA
 - Work with your local ADO and the Certification people regarding your Part 139 and RSAT projects
 - Get that BCA coordination early (capacity projects)
 - Get the environmental process concluded early
 - Get any permits early
- **Be ready to accept a grant at the last minute**
 - It's not over until it's over



Strategies

- **Draw down funds and close grants issued under Program A.**
 - Final financial closeout with Program B grant
- **Communicate/work with us**
 - Tell us status of project
 - Know what kind of work is important to FAA
 - We can only discuss scenarios and probabilities



Strategies continued

- **Place your project in a good light**
 - Good project selection
 - National priority
 - Inclusion in Regional Airport Plan
 - Inclusion in Business/Work Plan
 - Have project ready early
 - There are a lot of competing projects, why yours..?
- **If your project is not awaiting discretionary or state apportionment funds**
 - Decide what to do....!





***If you have questions,
please do not hesitate to
contact your local ADO.***