



U.S. Department
of Transportation
**Federal Aviation
Administration**

Office of Airport Planning
and Programming

800 Independence Ave., SW
Washington, DC 20591

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Dear Sir or Madam:

We are publishing on the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) public website Draft Advisory Circular (AC), *State Block Grant Program (SBGP)*, to obtain comments from industry and interested individuals on the proposed circular. Please provide justification for all comments and recommended modifications when submitting. We may revise the final document as a result of comments received and further review by the Office of Airport Planning and Programming.

This AC provides comprehensive guidance to facilitate consistent application of FAA requirements across FAA regions with regard to the FAA's SBGP. The AC is intended to help states that are considering application to the program and/or states that are already in the program administer the program uniformly across the country. It is also intended to help airport sponsors ensure that airport safety is maintained, aviation infrastructure is protected, and to ensure federal obligations are met. Similarly, the AC has been developed to assist FAA's Office of Airports regional and field personnel in administering the SBGP.

The AC applies to all federally obligated states and sub-awardees currently participating in the FAA's SBGP or those considering application in the future. This AC does not create any new policies. Rather, it provides further clarification on how existing policies and guidance apply to states participating in the SBGP.

We will consider comments received by **Monday, January 4, 2016**, for inclusion in the AC. Please submit all comments using the attached comment matrix to kendall.ball@faa.gov.

You will find a PDF version of the draft advisory circular on the FAA website at http://www.faa.gov/airports/resources/draft_advisory_circulars/.

Sincerely,

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