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January 28, 2020	RFA OPENS
March 31, 2020	RFA CLOSURES – APPLICATIONS DUE
May 29, 2020	ANTICIPATED NOTIFICATION OF FUNDING SELECTION
September 30, 2020	ANTICIPATED AWARD

Applications are due by **Tuesday, March 31, 2020, 11:59 pm, (EDT)**. EPA will receive applications electronically through [Grants.gov](https://www.grants.gov). Applications will be electronically date and time stamped. Please refer to [Section IV](#) of this announcement for full information on the submission process. Applications must be submitted on time in order to be considered for funding.

SUMMARY OF ANNOUNCEMENT

EPA is announcing a grant competition to fund two-year Pollution Prevention assistance agreements for projects that provide technical assistance (e.g., information, training, tools) to businesses and their facilities to help them develop and adopt source reduction practices (also known as “pollution prevention” or “P2”). P2 means reducing or eliminating pollutants from entering any waste stream or otherwise being released into the environment *prior to recycling, treatment, or disposal*. In keeping with the Pollution Prevention Act of 1990, EPA is encouraging P2 because implementing these practices can result in reductions in toxic pollutants, the use of water, energy and other raw materials, while also lowering business costs. States, state entities, federally-recognized tribes and intertribal consortia are eligible to apply.

For this current round of grants, EPA is emphasizing the importance of grantees documenting and sharing P2 best practices identified and developed through these grants so that others can replicate these practices and outcomes. To achieve this, EPA will require grant recipients to document and report on P2 recommendations that they provide to business facilities as part of the technical assistance and, at a later date, report on P2 actions adopted by those facilities. Alternative reporting provisions are available if technical assistance is broadly provided to multiple businesses – see [Section VI.C.3.c](#). We are also requiring grantees to develop P2 case studies on P2 practices that are new or not widely known or adopted or where detailed information on the P2 practices could benefit other businesses or P2 technical assistance providers (see [Appendix F, “Guidance for Developing P2 Case Studies](#)). EPA expects that each grantee will develop at least one of these case studies during the grant period. In addition to case studies, we also encourage other means to document and amplify

(widely share) P2 best practices and lessons learned through the technical assistance (e.g., training, tools, videos). Awardee budgets and workplans may set aside funds from the potential two years of federal funding for an optional third-year to collect and report on the P2 practices adopted and to complete P2 case studies.

EPA's national P2 Program will host two informational webinars for potential applicants and interested stakeholders. The webinars will be held on **Wednesday, February 19, 2020 from 2:00 - 3:30 pm (EST)** and **Tuesday, February 25, 2020 from 2:00 – 3:30 pm (EST)**. More information on the webinars and how to register is provided in [Section IV.D](#).

Applicants are strongly encouraged to read this announcement in its entirety because it provides important information on the goals and priorities of the program, explains statutory program requirements and offers agency grant policies and procedures.

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