

AMENDMENT TO RULES
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At the end of subtitle F of title I of division B, add the following:

1 **SEC. 1640. COORDINATION OF RESILIENCY ACTIVITIES**

2 **AMONG FEDERAL AGENCIES.**

3 (a) COORDINATION.—

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5 (A) FEDERAL COUNCIL.—

6 (i) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Secre-
7 taries shall establish a council of Federal
8 agencies, to be known as the “Interagency
9 Council on Resilient Communities”, to pro-
10 mote the coordination of the activities and
11 funding from Federal agencies relating to
12 the resilient community challenge.

13 (ii) MEMBERSHIP.—The Council
14 shall—

15 (I) be led by the Secretary; and

16 (II) include—

1 (aa) the Administrator of
2 the Environmental Protection
3 Agency;

4 (bb) the Secretary of Hous-
5 ing and Urban Development;

6 (cc) the Secretary of Home-
7 land Security;

8 (dd) the Secretary of Com-
9 merce;

10 (ee) the Army Corps of En-
11 gineers; and

12 (ff) the Federal Emergency
13 Management Agency;

14 (B) CONSIDERATIONS.—The Secretaries
15 shall ensure that the Federal activities related
16 to resiliency and Federal funding is streamlined
17 and coordinated to allow for comprehensive so-
18 lutions across Federal agencies to mitigate re-
19 gional climate impacts.

20 (2) STRATEGY.—The Secretaries, acting
21 through the Council, in consultation with industry
22 entities, cities, and communities, shall develop a
23 multiyear strategy for the coordination of activities
24 and funding;

1 (3) COORDINATION OF FUNDS.—In promoting
2 the coordination of Federal funding, each of the Sec-
3 retaries shall—

4 (A) track, with respect to the appropriate
5 agency, the expenditures and planned expendi-
6 tures of Federal funds for resiliency activities
7 and programs; and

8 (B) coordinate with the head of any other
9 applicable Federal agency that allocates funds
10 for resiliency activities or programs—

11 (i) to achieve greater benefits from ac-
12 tivities using Federal funds;

13 (ii) to produce integrated projects re-
14 lating to those activities; and

15 (iii) to leverage complementary invest-
16 ments of other Federal agencies in those
17 activities.

18 **SEC. 1641. RESILIENT COMMUNITIES CHALLENGE.**

19 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary, in consultation
20 with the Interagency Council on Resilient Communities,
21 shall establish a resilient communities challenge to com-
22 prehensively address the impacts of climate change on a
23 region.

24 (b) CHALLENGE PROJECTS.—The Secretary shall se-
25 lect at least 10 regionally diverse demonstration projects.

1 (1) ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS.—The following enti-
2 ties are eligible to receive a grant under this section:

3 (A) A unit of local government, including
4 counties.

5 (B) A tribal government.

6 (C) A public transit agency or authority.

7 (D) A public toll authority.

8 (E) A metropolitan planning organization.

9 (F) A multi-jurisdictional group applying
10 through a single lead applicant.

11 (2) APPLICATION.—To qualify for a demonstra-
12 tion project under this section, a unit of local gov-
13 ernment shall submit to the Secretary an application
14 for a grant for a demonstration project at such time
15 and containing such information as the Secretary
16 may require.

17 (3) FEDERAL SHARE OF COST.—The Secretary
18 shall provide to a unit of local government selected
19 under this section for the conduct of a demonstra-
20 tion project a grant in an amount equal to not more
21 than 80 percent of the total cost.

22 (4) PROJECT ELIGIBILITY.—

23 (1) Resilience planning and vulnerability assess-
24 ments.

1 (2) Projects or programs of projects, includ-
2 ing—

3 (A) nature-based resilience improvements,
4 to protect, retrofit, reconstruct or replace
5 projects eligible;

6 (B) projects eligible for assistance in the
7 Building Resilient Infrastructure and Commu-
8 nities under section 203 of the Robert T. Staf-
9 ford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance
10 Act (Stafford Act), as amended (Public Law
11 93–288) (42 U.S.C. 5133);

12 (C) projects eligible for assistance in the
13 Community Development Block Grant Disaster
14 Recovery Program;

15 (D) green and gray infrastructure projects;

16 (E) surface transportation infrastructure;

17 (F) airport infrastructure; and

18 (G) and other projects the Secretary deems
19 necessary.

20 (c) CONSIDERATIONS.—In selecting projects, the Sec-
21 retary shall—

22 (1) select projects that have been identified in
23 regional climate adaptation plans;

1 (2) evaluate the proposal's ability to coordinate
2 stakeholders across sectors to develop and execute
3 the project; and

4 (3) prioritize projects that cannot be completed
5 without Federal support;

6 (d) IMPLEMENTATION.—In selecting projects, the
7 Secretary shall identify and prioritize additional Federal
8 funding streams to support comprehensive plan implemen-
9 tation.

10 (e) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is
11 authorized to be appropriated to carry out subsection (a)
12 \$600,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2022 to 2026.

