

Fiscal Report

FY 2012 & 2013

The State of Illinois received another significant reduction in Homeland Security funding. The entire State received \$11.8 million. That is nearly a 90% cut in the last two years. The UASI region received \$47 million. Some bureaucratic roadblocks have been removed or modified to encourage the states to spend the current grants:

Funds may be reprioritized from the original intent of the grants as long as any new project is consistent with the State strategy and the Core Capabilities as outlined by FEMA. Caps for staff, IED's, match requirements and others have been waived.

FEMA grant funds may be spent on authorized maintenance on equipment purchased with other federal or state funds and not just DHS grants. These are the new deadlines for grant expenditures:

Fiscal Year	Must Be Spent By: (obligation deadline with draw down within 90 days)
2008	September 30, 2012
2009	September 30, 2012
2010	September 30, 2013
2011	August 31, 2014
2012	September 30, 2014

The grant application for FY2012 from Illinois is due on April 27th. Grant announcements will be made July 31, 2012 and grants issued in the fall of 2012. The ITTF went through an extensive goal-setting exercise – the results of which are not available at this time. The ILEAS Governing Board is scheduled to meet next on April 26th, not enough lead time to offer input to ITTF as to budget requests and programs. ITTF Chair Don Kauerauf plans to attend this March 6th Board meeting to provide more guidance for the Board as to the direction of the FY2012 grants.

Remember that ILEAS currently has sufficient funds to last until December 2013. Assuming for the moment that ILEAS is awarded \$3 million in FY2012, ILEAS' survival deadline might be pushed out to early summer of 2014. Once the conference is over and the House Insurance Committee has voted on the ILEAS Funding Bill, the ILEAS staff plans on conducting an extensive review of its fiscal health.

The Board has been supplied with a document entitled, "**National Preparedness Grant Program Vision Document**." Pursuant to the new Presidential Preparedness Directive #8 (PPD*), this document outlines DHS's path forward. Please note on page 3 the third bullet from the top describing the purpose of the program, "build a robust national preparedness capacity based on cross-jurisdictional and readily deployable state and local teams." The vision for DHS is that starting in FY2013, all former homeland security grants are gone – combined and replaced by the new National Preparedness Grant Program (NPGP). No more UASI, IECGP, SHSGP, etc. The plan is to replace it with the NPGP. It will be up to each state to apply for a competitive grant to support what is outlined in the vision document. Of course, Congress has yet to weigh in on this and it is an election year. However, it appears that Illinois and ILEAS are very well-positioned to take advantage of this new program – especially with regard to our special teams.

Requested Board Action

Staff requests that the Governing Board revisit the budget priorities as established in the last Board meeting and be prepared to meet later in March in order to formally adopt budget goals once more is known about FY2012.

Proposed Legislation

Legislation Fact Sheet –	The Fact Sheet brochure has been developed and provided to the Committee members
Letter to Representative Dugan –	At her request, a letter was sent to Representative Dugan about the legal status of ILEAS. Issues about whether ILEAS is a public agency have been raised by some legislators.
Notices/Support -	All ILEAS membership has been notified to contact their representatives; contact has been made with the Illinois Municipal League; IEMA legislative liaison has been included; ISA, ILIACP are aware; ILIACP President Finney sent a letter to the committee members supporting the bill, Illinois APCO also supports the bill
Strategy -	Representative Dugan requests that the hearing still take place on the 6 th , but she will ask for a delay in the vote so that amendments might be added to compensate for concerns that might be raised by the committee.
Opposition -	ILEAS has been advised that the insurance lobby groups are opposed. Limey Nargelenas is reaching out to the them to find out what their objections are

Requested Board Action

President Beckwith has requested that the Governing Board members attend the hearing on March 6th.

ISPERN

Update

The quote from Motorola came in higher than expected. The previous estimate of \$900,000 from the ITTF Communications Committee was low. The actual estimate (attached) came in at \$1,252,714. There is exactly \$1,254,025 remaining in the Interoperable Communications Equipment Grant. ITTF Chairman Don Kauerauf has approved the additional expenditure up to the budgeted amount.

Requested Board Action

Staff requests the Board approve expenditure of no more than \$1,254,025 for the purchase of VHF band base stations from the State master contract vendor (Motorola) for the purpose of replacing the current ISPERN base stations.

PRD Equipment Grant

Update

ITTF and the ILEAS Board recently authorized a switch of \$434,500 in PRD Equipment funds from FY08 to FY10. ITTF officially voted to suspend the purchase of any more PRD devices. Don Kauerauf suggested that ILEAS hold those funds in case there were any G8/NATO unreimbursed expenses or equipment that was needed.

Requested Board Action

Staff requests the Board authorize the expenditure not to exceed \$100,000 for equipment for special teams for the G8/NATO Summits. If there are eligible un-reimbursed expenses afterwards, staff will present those issues to the Board after the Summits.

Interoperable Emergency Communications Grant Program (IECGP) Contract Authorization

IECGP

ILEAS has an FY2009 grant entitled Interoperable Communications for \$1,257,159. This grant is administered by the ITTF Communications Committee and the State Interoperability Executive Committee (SIEC). These committees have been working on two projects that were previously approved by the Governing Board and are now working on an extension of the TICP project that is ready for Governing Board approval.

The extension of the TICP project would be funded by a new grant from the ITTF.

Extension of the Tactical Interoperable Communications Plans (TICP) project to 24 Central Illinois Counties

Last year, D & E Technical, Champaign, IL was selected for the winning proposal to develop TICP's for 42 counties in southern Illinois located within the New Madrid Earthquake Zone (NMEZ) with a bid price of \$600,000.

ILEAS, working with the Statewide Interoperability Coordinator's (SWIC) office, ITTF and IEMA has issued a Request for Proposals from vendors to develop TICP's for 24 more counties in Central Illinois. The RFP is open through March 30, 2012 at 4:30 p.m. The date set for the completion of the project is February 28, 2013, and will be funded by a re-allocation of 2008 IECGP monies by ITTF to ILEAS. Under the guidance of the SWIC's office, the vendor will accomplish the following with each County:

- Assist counties with establishing a governance structure for the TICP development and attend the meetings.
- Help each county in collecting their communications information and populate the Communications Asset Survey and Mapping (CASM) tool.
- Assist each county in the TICP development so that it is consistent with the State TICP and Statewide Communications Interoperability Plan (SCIP).
- Develop an HSEEP compliant functional or full scale exercise for validation of each county TICP.

Because of the relative sizes of the 24 Central Illinois Counties, and the complexities involved in creating a TICP for each, the ITTF has capped the bid price at \$620,000.

Requested Board Action

Staff requests that the Governing Board authorize ILEAS staff to enter into a contract with the contractor selected through the RFP process by the SWIC, ITTF, IEMA and ILEAS, up to \$620,000. The authorization should be contingent upon the receipt of the 2008 grant from the ITTF.

Special Team Survey

Update

At the January 26, 2012 Board meeting, staff was requested to conduct a survey of the chiefs and sheriffs of special team members in order to learn their preferences about potential overtime reimbursement reductions. ILEAS staff received 103 responses to the 20-question survey. A complete analysis of the responses has not been completed but will be available at the next Board meeting. However, here are a couple of preliminary results:

