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Possible projects include Watersheds, Greenways and Transportation

EPA Offers Regional Geographic Initiative Grants

Region III of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has announced that \$1 million in Regional Geographic Initiative (RGI) grants is now available for projects that can demonstrate specific environmental results in Delaware, Maryland, Pennsylvania, **Virginia**, West Virginia, and the District of Columbia. Individual grants will range from \$25,000 to \$150,000.

Specifically, grant applications must address at least one of three regional strategic priorities and produce measurable results in:

- Watershed Restoration – Source Water Protection, Acidification, Water Supply, Wet Weather, TMDL's.
- Enhancing Environmentally Responsible Development – Low impact development projects, Greenways, Transportation, Economic Development, Energy star/green energy; minimize environmental impacts; green architecture (minimize storm water).
- Reducing Environmental Exposure to Sensitive Populations – reduce lead exposure in children (via outreach to landlords on regulatory requirements); reduce exposures to pesticides, asbestos, radon and other harmful exposures.

Eligible applicants include state, city and township governments, special district governments, state controlled institutions of higher education, and community action agencies among others. Work must benefit the EPA Region III geographic area of which Virginia is a part.

Awards will be made for projects starting October 1, 2004 or later with performance periods not to exceed two years. Applications must be postmarked by 5 PM on Friday July 16th, 2004.

For more information about RGI Grants contact Matt Overton (moverton@daa.com) at (804) 264-2228 or Mike Lawless (mlawless@daa.com) at (540) 552-0444. You can also access the EPA website at http://www.epa.gov/region03/grants/pdf/RGI_Final_5_26.pdf for details.

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