## RFI#05-24: Response to Vendor Questions

Project Management:

- Do you have a targeted start date and/or go-live date in mind? There is no specific start/go-live dates at this time. The RFI currently posted is for informational purposes only. We are investigating what is currently available on the market.
- Is there a compelling event that is driving this date?
  N/A

Grants Management Process:

3. What are the estimated averages around the number of applications you receive per year?

This depends on the program. Our Earthquake Brace & Bolt (EBB) program is currently our most prominent and funded program we offer. During our last open registration, we received 20,000+ applicants that were fully registered and accepted into the EBB program. The number of registrants has increased every year since the program was stood up. We also offer two newer yet smaller programs: Earthquake Soft-Story (ESS) Retrofit Program and Earthquake Multi-Unit Retrofit (EMR) program. These two programs generate less than 1,000 registrants each. The number of applications we accept into all three of our programs is based on the available funding at time of registration.

4. For each of the program applications, are these application forms minimally or materially different?

The applications vary minimally between programs due to slightly different program rules and structure types. Each program supports a different type of seismically vulnerable structure which results in different supporting documentation requirements.

- 5. Are there different approval workflows for each program and/or application type? No, approval workflows are the same.
- How do they materially differ? N/A
- 7. How many users does CRMP anticipate will be using the program? We anticipate up to 25 internal users will be accessing the system. The number of external users depends on the number of applicants and contractors that register for our programs during open registration.

- 8. Is there desired visibility and interaction for external reviewers/panels to offer expert opinions and validation on the application pool? There is currently no need for external reviewers to access the system. However, we will need the ability to download and submit documents to external reviewers. We would be interested in knowing if you are able to allow limited access to the system for external reviewers (e.g., limited role-based access).
- How much funding is CRMP granting out across all programs in total and annually? Since 2019 we have applied and been approved for multiple FEMA grants totaling \$116 million. We are anticipating expenditures between \$20 million - \$24 million in grant funds for 2025.

## **From** <u>approved-meeting-minutes-august-27-2024.pdf</u>:

"The CEA was awarded two \$20 million for the Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) grant programs from the state of California. Costs CEA CRMP Governing Board Teleconference Meeting – Minutes Page 4 of 9 August 27, 2024 are anticipated to be incurred later this year related to getting these programs up and running"