

Mobile Source Emission Reduction Grants- How to Apply - Question and Answer Session January 10, 2024

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What to Expect Today

- Brief overview of <u>Mobile Source Emission Reduction Grant program</u> funded from Diesel Emissions Reduction Act (DERA) program
- When/how to submit your application
- Attachments and information required for a complete application
- Application evaluation/scoring
- Where to find information after this workshop
- Questions and answers



Request for Proposals (RFP) Timeline

Milestone	Date
RFP open in DAQ Grants Management System	November 1, 2023
RFP closes in DAQ Grants Management System	February 2, 2024
DAQ evaluation of applications	February-March 2024
All applicants notified of their application status	April 2024
Awardee contracts processed	April-May 2024
All work completed	September 30, 2026
Invoices, Certificate of Engine/Chassis Destruction and Final Reports submitted to DAQ	September 30, 2026

Over 1.1 Million in anticipated available funds





For this webinar:

- You should already have an NCID (REQUIRED TO REQUEST ACCESS TO THE GMS)
- You should already have requested access to the Grants Management System (GMS) which is required to submit an application (we covered this in detail in the last webinar)
- The very last day that you could be granted access, and still have time to apply is January 19, 2024.

Late applications will not be accepted.



How to Apply

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- Steps to apply:
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 - 2. Complete and submit NC Substitute W-9 and email to daq.mscb.ncdaqgrants@deq.nc.gov.
 - 3. You will receive a "Welcome to the DAQ Enterprise Business System" email when your access has been processed.
 - 4. Apply in NC EBS Portal.

This can take up to 1 week or more to get processed.

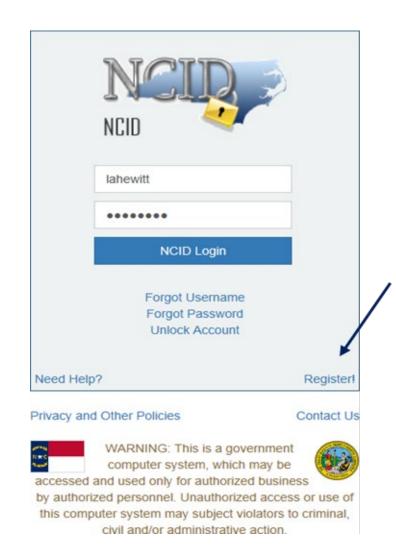


Getting an NCID

 Setting up an individual NCID:

https://ncid.nc.gov.

- Instructions are found here: How-to-Create-a-NC-ID.pdf
- Your NCID username and password are your credentials for the GMS System.





Acceptable NCID formats

- NCIDs must use the following format or your request for access will be denied.
 - First name or initial
 - Middle initial (optional)
 - Last name
 - Number (if name is already in use)
- Example for Wile E. Coyote options for his NCID are:
 - Wileecoyote
 - Wilecoyote
 - Wilecoyote2
 - wcoyote

NCIDs must not be a company or organization name.



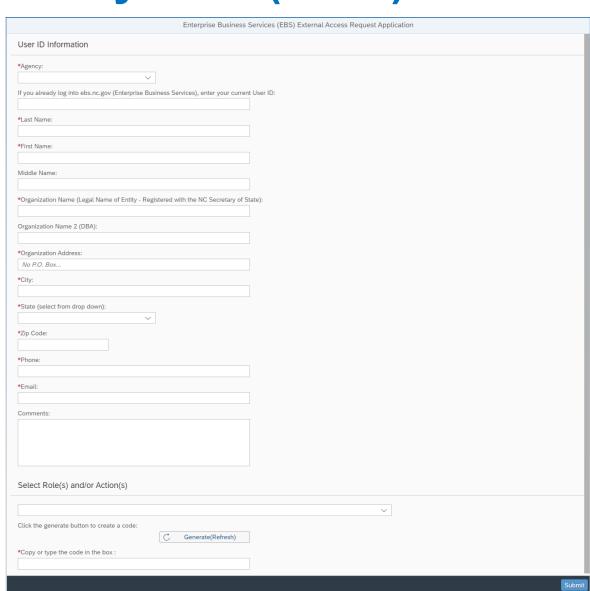
DAQ Grant Management System (GMS)

- After setting up your NCID, complete and submit the <u>Enterprise Business Services</u> <u>External Request Application</u>.
- Complete the North Carolina Substitute
 <u>W-9</u> Form for your agency and email it
 to <u>daq.mscb.ncdaqgrants@deq.nc.gov</u>.

Each organization is allowed up to 3 authorized users.

Once the authorization is processed, you will receive a" Welcome" email from NCDOT IT SAP Support Services.

Deadline to request access is January 19 to guarantee access by RFP closing



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NC Office of the
State Controller
(IRS Form W-9 will not be
accepted in lieu of this form)
*Denotes a Required Field

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA SUBSTITUTE W-9 FORM Request for Taxpayer Identification Number



	*1. Social Security Number (SSN), OR Employer Identification Number (EIN), OR Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN) *2. (PRESS THE TAB KEY TO ENTER EACH NUMBER)	Please select the appropriate Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN, SSN, or ITIN) type and enter your 9-digit ID number. The U.S. Taxpayer Identification Number is being requested per U.S. Tax Law. Failure to provide this information in a timely manner could prevent or delay payment to you or require The State of NC to withhold 24% for backup withholding tax.
	*4. Legal Name (as shown on your income tax return):	3. Dunn & Bradstreet Universal Numbering System (DUNS) (see instructions)
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DAQ Grant Management System (GMS)

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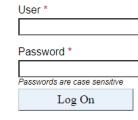
https://www.ebs.nc.gov/irj/portal

 Additional GMS information can be found here:

https://deq.nc.gov/about/divisions/airquality/motor-vehicles-and-airquality/volkswagensettlement/grants-management

 Downloadable GMS External User Manual





Login Help * Browser Support





First Things First

- This is a reimbursement program for diesel equipment upgrades or replacement
- There are mandatory cost-shares for almost all project types
- Existing diesel equipment must scrapped.
- You MUST scrap replaced equipment within 3 months of taking delivery of new equipment.

Important Criteria

- Replacement vehicle/equipment must be of the same weight class of original vehicle/equipment.
- All vehicles and equipment must have 3 years of useful life remaining.
- All original equipment or vehicles must be operational in the previous two years and the replacement equipment or vehicle must be operated at least 70% in North Carolina for the next 5 years.



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Required information/materials

Before you even apply you should have the following information ready to include in your application:

- Fleet information
- Budget information
- Contact information
- Photos
- Quotes
- See checklist
- See NCDAQ Vehicle Equipment Spreadsheet



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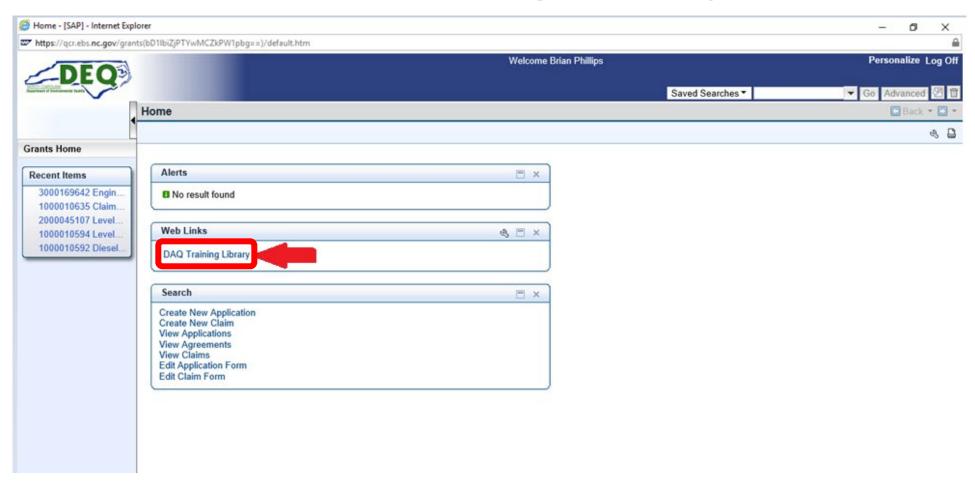




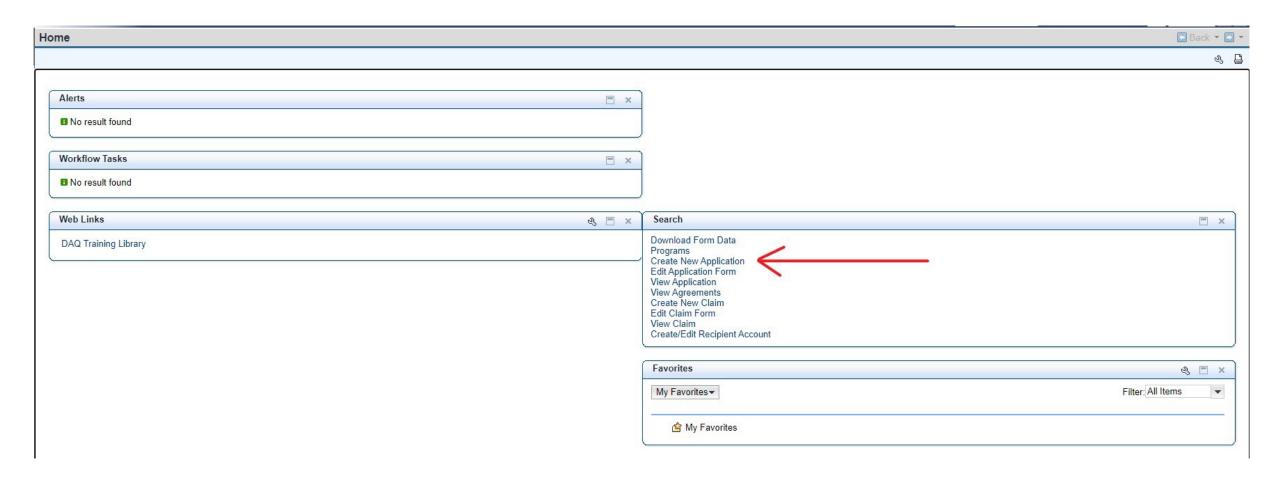
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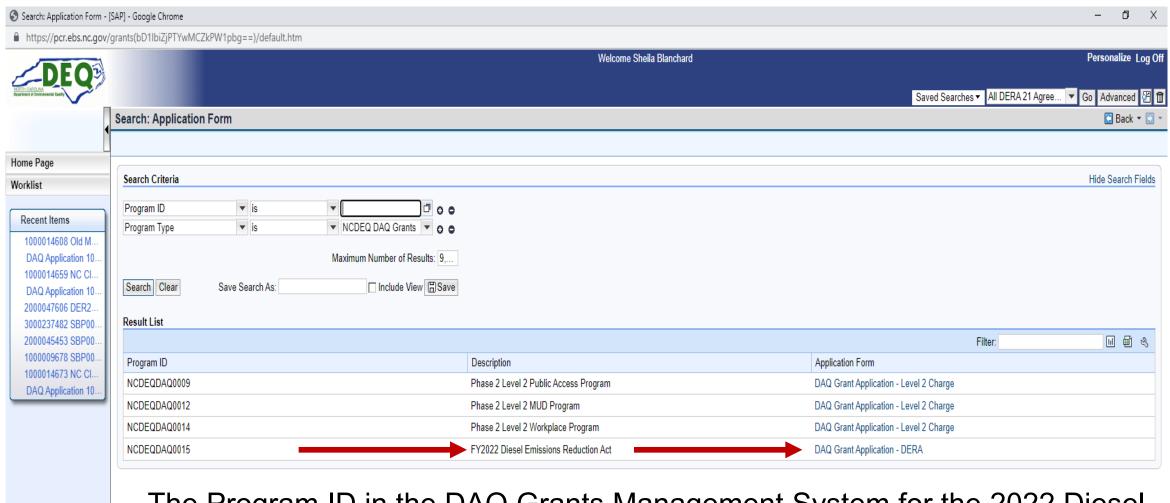










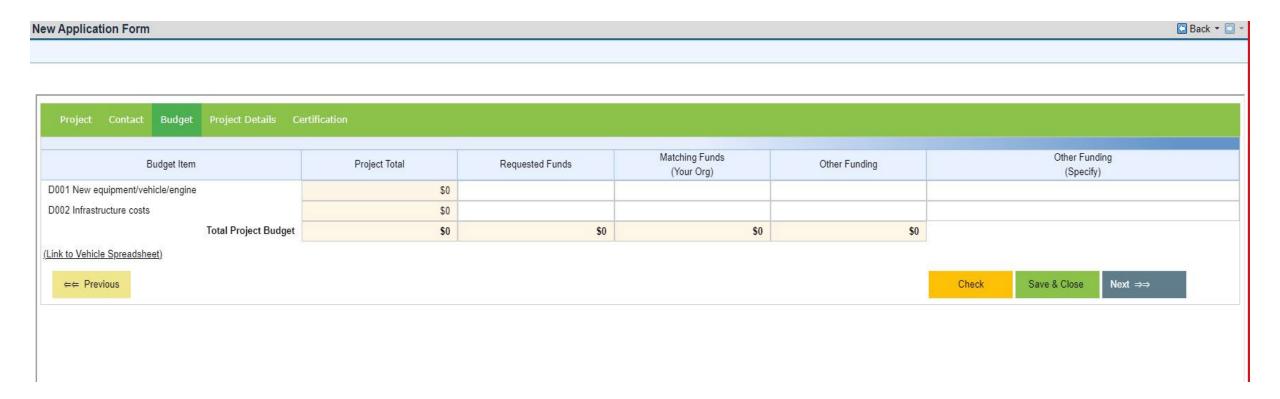


The Program ID in the DAQ Grants Management System for the 2022 Diesel Emission Reduction Grant is **NCDEQDAQ0017**.

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Funding Levels

Eligible Technologies	DERA Funding Limits	Minimum Mandatory Cost-Share (Fleet Owner Contribution)
Drayage Truck Replacement	50%	50%
Vehicle or Equipment Replacement with EPA Certified Engine	25%	75%
Vehicle or Equipment Replacement with CARB Certified Low NOx Engine	35%	65%
Vehicle or Equipment Replacement with Zero-tailpipe Emission Power Source	45%	55%
Engine Replacement with EPA Certified Engine	40%	60%
Engine Replacement with CARB Certified Low NOx Engine	50%	50%
Engine Replacement with Zero-tailpipe Emission Power Source	60%	40%
EPA Certified Remanufacture Systems	100%	0%
EPA Verified Highway Idle Reduction Technologies when combined with new or previously installed exhaust after-treatment retrofit	100%	0%
EPA Verified Highway Idle Reduction Technologies without new exhaust after-treatment retrofit	25%	75%
EPA Verified Locomotive Idle Reduction Technologies	40%	60%
EPA Verified Marine Shore Connection Systems	25%	75%
EPA Verified Electrified Parking Space Technologies	30%	70%
EPA Verified Exhaust After-treatment Retrofits	100%	0%
EPA Verified Engine Upgrade Retrofits	100%	0%
EPA Verified Hybrid Retrofit Systems	60%	40%
EPA Verified Fuel and Additive Retrofits when combined with new retrofit, upgrade, or replacement	Cost differential between conventional diesel fuel	Cost of conventional diesel fuel
EPA Verified Aerodynamics and Low Rolling Resistance Tires when combined with new exhaust after-treatment retrofit	100%	0%
Alternative Fuel Conversion	40%	60%



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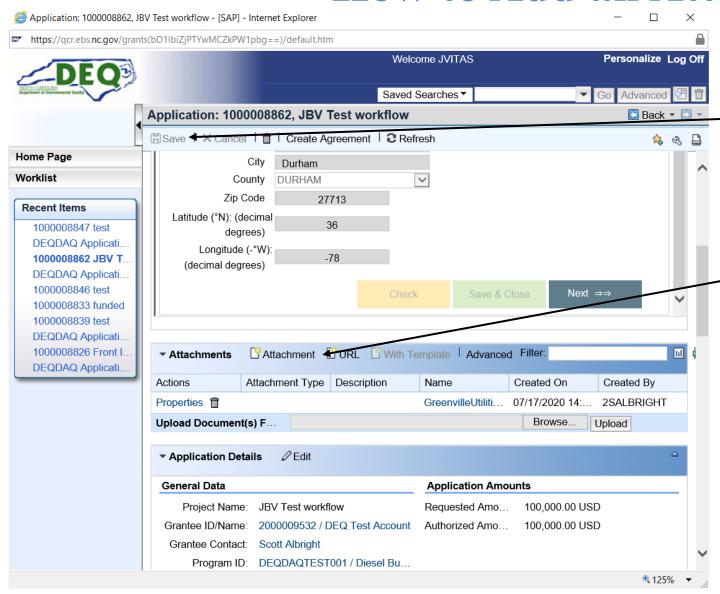
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How to Add an Attachment



Once you have added all the attachments you MUST hit SAVE

This is where you will add attachments to your application.



Required Application Attachments

- NCDAQ Vehicle Spreadsheet
- Quotes
 - Should include itemized quotes for any requested equipment and associated infrastructure install/equipment
 - Infrastructure acknowledgement of utility consult (EV projects only)
 - Acknowledgment of BABA compliance (EV projects only)
 - Acknowledgement of workforce development (EV projects only)
- Pictures of engine tags, VINs, of original equipment/vehicle
- Pictures of equipment/vehicle to be replaced
- Any other supporting documentation for application



Applicant	Pub lic Works
Program FY(s)	2023
Project Title	Refuse Hauler Replacement

INSTRUCTIONS: This Fleet Description should detail all vehicles and engines impacted under the project. The fields below align with EPA's Diesel Emi comp leted. This Fleet Description is broken into two sections: 1) Current V ehicle and Engine Information and 2) New V ehicle and Engine Upgrade Inform Description data definitions on tab 6 (Data Dictionary) for additional guidance on each field.

Each vehicle/engine group column below can represent one or more similar pieces of equipment operating in the same fleet. You can copy and paste addition

	Fleet Information	Example	Unit l	Unit 2
URRENT VEHIC	LE AND ENGINE INFORMATION			
	Group Name:	Sample	Unit 1	
	Fleet Owner:	Organization Name	Public Works	
	Publicly or Privately Owned?:	Publicly	Publicly	
	Place of Perform ance			
	- State(s):	North Carolina	North Carolina	
	- County(s):	Wake	Wake	
Basic Fleet	- City(s):	Raleigh	Raleigh	
Information	- Zip Code(s):	27610	27603; 27529	
INIUI M ALD N	Equipment Type:	Onroad	Onroad	
	Target Fleet:	Transit Bus	Refuse Hauler	
	Class (onroad vehicles, as defined in data dictionary):	Class 6	Class 8	
	V ehicle or Engine Group Sector:	Municipal	Construction	
	V ocation (on-highway, short-haul, and marine only):	Other	Other	
	V ehicle Identification Number(s):	1234567891011	5VCDG6JF78H121212	
Current Vehicle	V ehicle Make:	ABC 123	Autocar	
Inform ation	V ehicle Model:	ABC Bus	WX64	
	V ehicle Model Year:	1995	2008	
	Engine Serial Number(s):	4548154	46855888	
	Engine Make:	ABC	CUMMINS	
	Engine Model:	ABC	ISL345	
a	Engine Model Year:	1995	2007	
Current Engine Information	Tier 4 Standards (Tier 4 only):	N/A	N/A	
Intorm atm n	Engine Horsepower:	660	300-350	
	Engine Family Name (if unregulated, then NA):	N/A	7CEXH0912XAJ	
	Baseline Engine Fuel Type:	ULSD (diesel)	ULSD (diesel)	
	Annual Amount of Fuel Used (gallons/year per engine):	6000	8644	
	Armual Miles Traveled (miles per vehicle; on-highway only):	12000	25933	
Current Annual	Annual Idling Hours (hours per engine; on-highway only):	1500	50	
Vehicle Data	Remaining Life of Baseline Engine/V ehicle (years per engine; total # of years of engine life remaining at time of upgrade action must be > 3):	3	6	

NCDAQ Vehicle Equipment Spreadsheet

Old equipment (replaced equipment)

Please fill out all fields you can. You must fill out all fields for replaced equipment for new equipment.

Notice the sheets are labeled by the project type:

- 1. On-Road
- 2. Off-Road
- 3. Marine
- 4. Locomotive
- 5. Infrastructure (should be filled out for any EV replacement requests with infrastructure)

You can upload attachments *at any time* during the application process.

W VEHICLE	AND ENGINE UPGRADE INFORMAT	ION		
	Year of Upgrade Action	2024	2024	
	Upgrade Type:	V ehicle Replacement	V ehicle Replacement	
	Upgrade Specific:	V ehicle Replacement - All-Electric	V ehicle Replacement - CNG	
	Class (our oad vehicles, as defined in data dictionary):	Class 6	Class 8	
	VIN for New Vehicle(s)	TBD	TBD	
Up grade Inform ation	Total Cost Per Unit (equipment plus labor):	\$ 175,000.00	\$ 328,265.02	\$
	Upgrade Equipment Cost only Per Unit:	\$ 150,000.00	\$ 328,265.02	
	Upgrade Labor Cost only Per Unit:	\$ 25,000.00	\$	
	Total Funds Requested:	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 40,000.00	
	Federal Cost Share Expended Per Unit 1% of Total Cost per Unit):	29%	12%	
	New Engine Model Year:	2024	2020	
New Engine	Tier 4 Standards (Tier 4 only):	N/A	Final	
Information	New Engine Horsepower:	750	300-350	
IMOI M ALD IL	New Engine Family Name:	ABC	TBD	
	New Engine Fuel Type:	Electric	CNG (1bs)	
New Annual Vehicle Data	New Annual Idling Hours (hours per vehicle; on-highway only):	N/A	50	
	New Annual Fuel Volume (estimated gallons/year per engine):	6000	54,025 lbs	

New equipment (replacement equipment)

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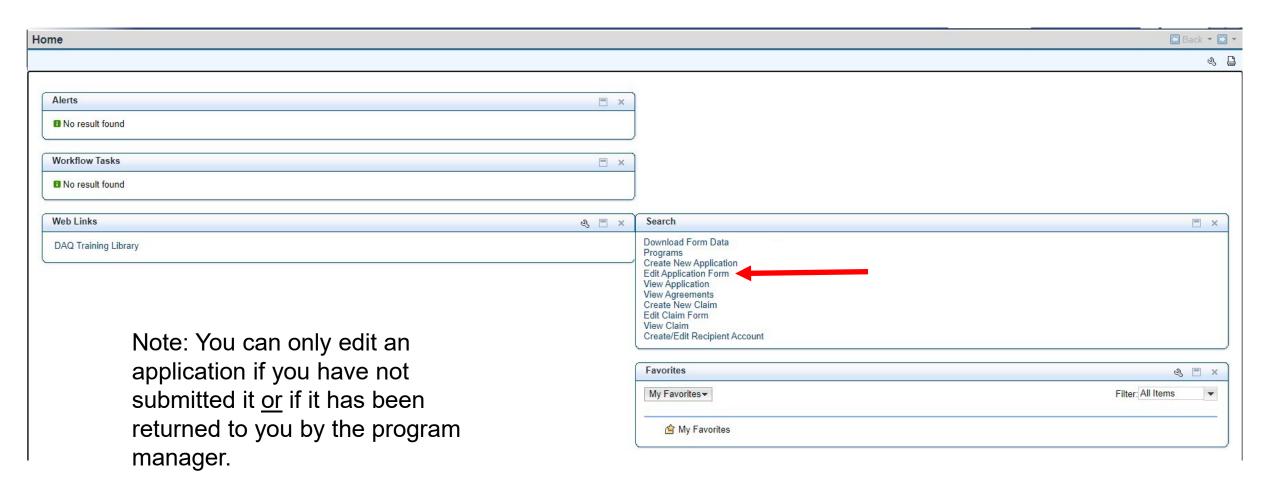
The quotes should match the information found in this spreadsheet.

If you are requesting infrastructure for replacement equipment, the quotes should match for installation and equipment.

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Editing an Existing Application





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Maximum Number of Results: 100





Submitting an Application

Project	: Contact	Budget	Project Details	Certification	n				
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Submitted Application and Attachments

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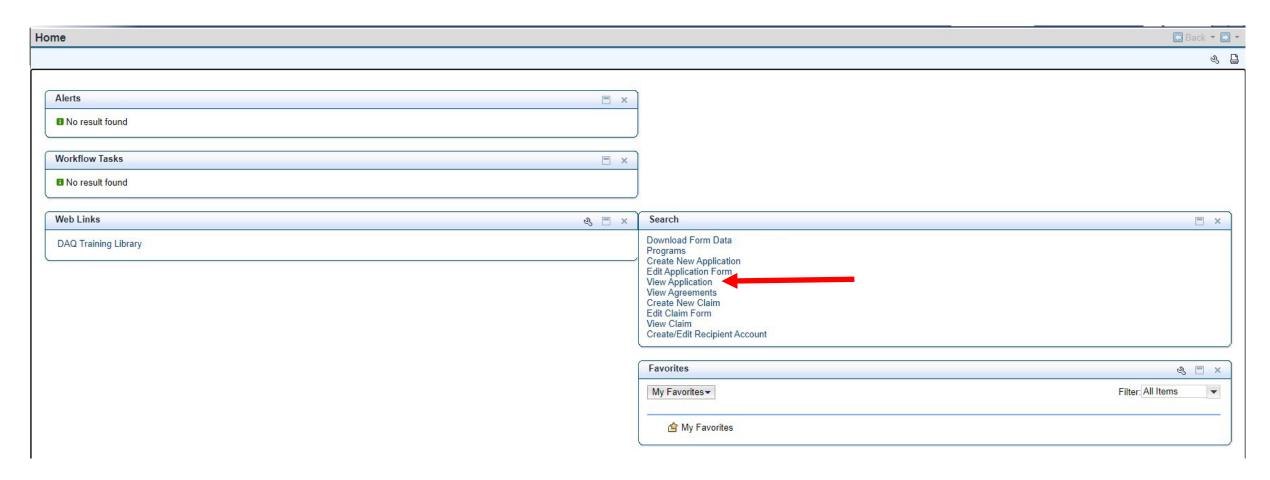
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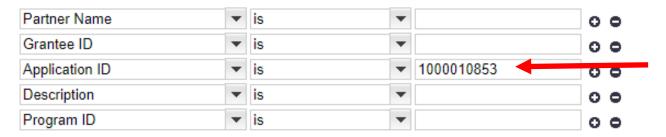


How to View an Application

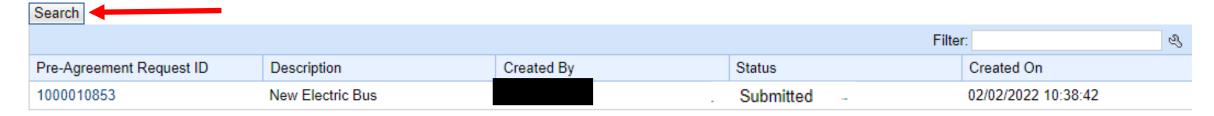




Finding an Application in GMS

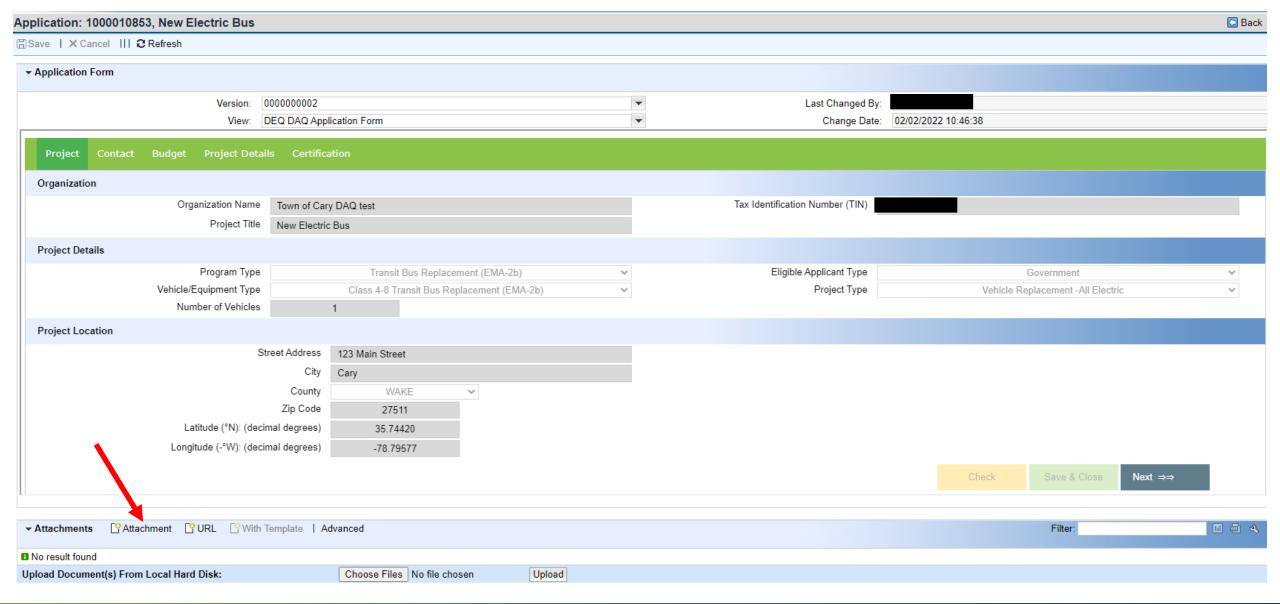


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Adding Attachments to a Submitted Application



Project Scoring Criteria

Lifetime Emissions Reductions	35
Lifetime Cost Effectiveness	30
Co-Benefits	20
Environmental Justice	10
EPA Priority County*	5
Historically Under-Resourced County	5
Electric Project	5
Minority or Women-owned Business**	5
Goods Movement Facility	5
Total Points Possible	115

^{*}Cabarrus, Gaston, Iredell, Lincoln, Mecklenburg, Rowan, or Union



^{**}You must indicate this in your application

Environmental Justice (10 points)

The Environmental Protection Agency defines environmental justice (EJ) as "the fair treatment and meaningful involvement of all people regardless of race, color, national origin, or income, with respect to the development, implementation, and enforcement of environmental laws, regulations, and policies." (US EPA). Historically, people of color and people of low-income, along with other vulnerable populations, have been disproportionately exposed to harmful pollutants.

To determine environmental justice (EJ) scores for the purpose of ranking and rating vehicles and projects, the following analysis was done at the block group level using the 2019 American Community Survey (ACS) five-year estimates. The ACS is a demographic survey conducted each year by the U.S Census Bureau to collect detailed demographic information. For this analysis, aggregated five-year data from the 2017 and 2019 surveys was used to increase reliability.



Historically Under-Resourced County Map



Historically Under-Resourced Counties

County		
Alexander	Greene	Rockingham
Anson	Halifax	Rowan
Bertie	Hertford	Rutherford
Bladen	Hoke	Sampson
Burke	Hyde	Scotland
Caldwell	Lenoir	Tyrrell
Caswell	Martin	Vance
Cleveland	Nash	Warren
Columbus	Northampton	Washington
Cumberland	Pasquotank	Wayne
Duplin	Randolph	Wilson
Edgecombe	Richmond	
Graham	Robeson	



Tips and Things to Know

- Increases in fleet size are not allowed.
- Replacement vehicle must be "like for like" with the original equipment.
- Budget information should be as accurate as possible.
- Partial funding will be used as appropriate in awarding projects.
- Essays will be used to assist in evaluating projects that score similarly to determine awardees.
- Applications must be submitted via the NCDAQ Grants Management System. Applications will not be accepted after 11:59PM EDT on February 2, 2024.
- Do not sign any agreements with vendors or start work until your contract is fully executed.
- Applications may be shared with other agencies with similar funding opportunities if project is not funded.
- You must log into GMS periodically or your account will be made inactive, and you may have to request access again.

AN AWARDED APPLICATION IS NOT A FULLY EXECUTED CONTRACT



To get Reimbursement

- All claims are submitted in the GMS
- Quarterly reporting is required by all grantees
- Site visits for staff to see the purchased equipment is required to receive reimbursement
- Submit invoices, proof of scrappage, photos of new equipment, final reports



Scrappage Requirements

- "Scrapped" shall mean to render inoperable and available for recycle, and, at a minimum, to specifically cut a 3-inch hole in the engine block for all engines.
- If any eligible vehicle will be replaced as part of an eligible project, scrapped shall also include the disabling of the chassis by cutting the vehicle's frame rails completely in half.
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Destruction of Old Equipment







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to daq.mscb.ncdaqgrants@deq.nc.gov.

A Few Helpful Hints

- Apply early
 - If there are issues with your application, it can be returned for correction before the February 2, 2024, closing date.
 - We will not accept late applications.
- Contact us for questions well before the application closes for assistance.



Where to get more information?

- Questions regarding the application can be directed to: daq.mscb.ncdaqgrants@deq.nc.gov
- Downloadable GMS External User Manual
- Questions regarding logging onto the system after access has been granted and/or error messages received during the application process can be directed to: EBSSupport@ncdot.gov

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Useful Links

- About the NC DERA Program:
 - NC DAQ DERA Page
 - DERA Eligibility Tool
 - RFP Guidance
- NC DAQ Grants Management System:
 - GMS Website
 - NC DAQ GMS
 - NC DAQ Users Guide
- Required Forms to Apply:
 - NCID Registration
 - Online GMS access form
 - NC W-9 form
- Past Webinar How to Apply:
 - GMS Overview



Questions



