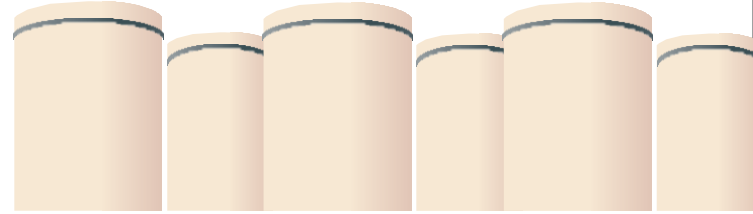


# FUNDING OPPORTUNITY ANNOUNCEMENT



## SUPPORT COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT WITH CONSENT-BASED SITING ACTIVITIES

The Department of Energy (DOE) has recently issued a \$16 million funding opportunity announcement to support public engagement and dialogue with DOE regarding a consent-based process to site one or more federal consolidated interim storage facilities for the nation's spent nuclear fuel.

Consistent with the principles underlying the consent-based process, DOE is not soliciting volunteer sites to host consolidated interim storage facilities as part of this funding opportunity announcement.



### DEADLINE TO APPLY

Issuance Date + 90 days

Rather, efforts under this funding opportunity announcement are expressly limited to engagement, dialogue and building understanding between interested stakeholders, communities and DOE about the consent-based siting process.



## WHAT IS THIS FUNDING OPPORTUNITY?

This funding opportunity announcement supports the creation of multiple Consent-Based Siting Consortia that will operate over a period of 18 - 24 months. Each awardee will act as an information, engagement, and resource hub to:

- **Enable mutual learning** about consent-based siting and nuclear waste management
- **Promote community participation** in inclusive and equitable stakeholder engagement processes
- **Contribute insights** for siting an interim storage facility for spent nuclear fuel based on public interests and social values
- **Provide direct grants** to support the participation of interested entities in this process



## WHO IS INVITED TO APPLY?

This funding opportunity announcement invites proposals from organizations interested in hosting a Consent-Based Siting. All U.S. entities are eligible to apply for funding with the exception of federally funded research and development centers. These eligible entities include, but are not limited to:

- Higher-education institutions (colleges, universities, and other institutions of higher learning)
- Local and State governments (municipalities, towns, cities, counties, and States)
- Non-governmental organizations (trade associations, 501(c)(3) organizations and other public groups)
- Community foundations
- Tribal Nations



## WHAT TO INCLUDE IN YOUR APPLICATION?

Proposals should explain a program of collaborative activity that leverages DOE resources to engage a wide and diverse group of stakeholders and partners.

Tasks supported by this funding opportunity announcement will be divided into the following three areas. Applicants must address all three areas in their application:

1. Organize, lead and maintain meaningful, inclusive community/stakeholder engagement processes related to the interim storage of spent nuclear fuel.
2. Elicit and map public values, interests, and goals to promote and enable effective collaboration and community-driven co-design related to a potential storage facility for spent nuclear fuel.
3. Develop, implement, and report outcomes and strategies that support mutual learning among stakeholders, communities and experts on spent nuclear fuel-related topics.

Refer to the full funding opportunity announcement for greater detail specific to each area.



### WHEN SHOULD YOU SUBMIT?

**Issuance Date + 30 days**  
Optional letter of intent due

**Issuance Date + 90 days**  
Application due



## WHEN IS THE LETTER OF INTENT DUE?

All interested applicants are encouraged, but not required, to submit a letter of intent that includes:

- Name of applicant
- Title of project
- Name of project director or principal investigator(s)
- Estimated project cost
- One-page abstract

Within 30 days of the issuance date, email your letter of intent to [consent-based-siting-project@id.doe.gov](mailto:consent-based-siting-project@id.doe.gov). In the subject line type: Letter of Intent for DE-FOA-0002575. All submissions will remain confidential.



## WHEN IS THE APPLICATION DUE?

All application submissions must conform to requirements outlined in the funding opportunity announcement. Applications must be emailed to the DOE grants specialist at [consent-based-siting-project@id.doe.gov](mailto:consent-based-siting-project@id.doe.gov) on or before the application due date of (Issue date +90 days).



## DISCLAIMER

This information summarizes key aspects of this funding opportunity. Applicants must refer to, and comply with, all application requirements found in the complete funding opportunity announcement. In the event that there is a discrepancy between this information and the funding opportunity announcement, the latter shall take precedent.