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**SUBJECT:** Using ODP Funds to Attend Meetings in Support of National Infrastructure  
Protection Plan (NIPP) Implementation

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) is establishing a NIPP Senior Leadership Council, Critical Infrastructure Government Coordinating Councils, and Critical Infrastructure Sector Coordinating Councils to facilitate implementation of the NIPP and Homeland Security Presidential Directive 7. DHS, the Government Coordinating Councils, and/or the Sector Coordinating Councils will invite select state and local officials to participate in these efforts. ODP hereby authorizes the use of ODP funding to support travel and per diem costs associated with grantee participation in the following council meetings:

1. NIPP Senior Leadership Council: The NIPP Leadership Council will bring together the leadership of the federal agencies engaged in critical infrastructure protection, critical infrastructure owners and operators and Homeland Security Advisors to lead, integrate, and coordinate implementation and enhancement of the NIPP through the following activities: forging consensus on critical infrastructure protection actions, evaluating and promoting implementation of risk management-based infrastructure protection programs, information sharing, advancing collaboration within and across sectors, and evaluating and reporting on progress. The NIPP Senior Leadership Council is supported by the Cross-Government Coordinating Council and Cross-Sector Coordinating Council.
2. Critical Infrastructure Government Coordinating Councils: The Critical Infrastructure Government Coordinating Councils will serve as government coordination mechanisms and will be comprised of representatives from DHS, sector-specific agencies, appropriate supporting Federal departments and agencies, and state and local government representatives, as appropriate. These councils will work with and support their counterpart Critical Infrastructure Sector Coordinating Council to plan, implement, and execute sector-wide security, planning, and information sharing.
3. Critical Infrastructure Sector Coordinating Councils: The Critical Infrastructure Sector Coordinating Councils will act as private sector coordination mechanisms and will be comprised of private sector infrastructure owners and operators, and supporting associations, as appropriate. These councils will bring together sector-specific infrastructure protection activities and issues and will provide a primary point of entry for government to partner with the sector.