



# Homeland Security

## FY 2012 Intercity Passenger Rail (IPR) - Amtrak

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### Overview

As appropriated by the *Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2012, Division D* (Public Law 112-74), the Fiscal Year (FY) 2012 Intercity Passenger Rail (IPR) - Amtrak is one of the Department of Homeland Security's (DHS) FY 2012 grant programs which directly support transportation infrastructure security activities. These grant programs are part of a comprehensive set of measures authorized by Congress and implemented by the Administration to help strengthen the Nation's critical infrastructure against risks associated with potential terrorist attacks. The IPR Program provides funding to Amtrak to protect critical surface transportation infrastructure and the traveling public from acts of terrorism, and to increase the resilience of the Amtrak rail system. The FY 2012 IPR Program plays an important role in the implementation of Presidential Policy Directive 8 (PPD-8) by supporting the development and sustainment of core capabilities to fulfill the *National Preparedness Goal* (NPG).

*In Fiscal Year 2012, DHS will award \$10,000,000 to protect critical surface transportation infrastructure and the traveling public from acts of terrorism*

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### Funding

In FY 2012, the total amount of funds distributed under this grant program will be \$10,000,000. FY 2012 IPR Program funds will be awarded to support the creation of a sustainable, risk-based effort to protect critical surface transportation infrastructure and the traveling public from acts of terrorism and to increase the resilience of the Amtrak rail system.

In accordance with the *Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007* (Public Law 110-53) (hereafter "9/11 Act"), all funds awarded to Amtrak under this program are transferred to Department of Transportation Federal Railroad Administration (DOT/FRA) within five days of award for disbursement.

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### Eligibility

Amtrak will be the only entity eligible to apply for the FY 2012 IPR Program funds.

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### Funding Guidelines

The funding priorities included the following project types for the FY 2012 IPR Program:

- Protection of high-risk/high-consequence underwater and underground rail assets
- Use of visible, unpredictable deterrence
- Planning
- Targeted counter-terrorism training for key frontline employees
- Emergency preparedness drills and exercises

- Public awareness and preparedness campaigns
- Protection of other high-risk/high-consequence assets and systems that have been identified through system wide risk assessments
- Security projects in line with or addressing one or more of the 22 permitted uses of funds outlined in Sec. 1513 of the 9/11 Act

For FY 2012 IPR Program, a maximum of five percent (5%) of funds awarded may be used for Management and Administration (M&A) purposes associated with the grant award. The period of performance for the IPR Program is 24 months from the date of award.

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## **Key FY 2012 IPR Program Changes**

- In order to ensure standardization across all grant programs and cooperative agreements issued by DHS, the IPR Program's Guidance was reformatted for consistency and renamed to Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA)
  - Priorities for the IPR Program support the implementation of Presidential Policy Directive - 8 (PPD-8) and the NPG. FY 2012 IPR Program has been aligned to the five mission areas and supporting core capabilities within the NPG
  - Reduces the period of performance for the IPR Program from 36 months to 24 months
  - Removes the Semi-Annual Assistance Progress Report (SAPR) reporting requirement in lieu of the Standard Form-Performance Progress Report (SF-PPR) to report on progress towards implementing program-specific performance measures
  - Expands the scope of maintenance and sustainment by allowing the support of equipment that has previously been purchased with both federal and other sources of funding as long as direct linkage can be provided to one of the core capabilities within the NPG
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## **Application Process and Evaluation Criteria**

The IPR Program reviewer pool will consist of representatives from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), Transportation Security Administration (TSA), and the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA). As part of the cooperative agreement process, Amtrak will meet with FEMA, TSA, and FRA representatives to develop Investment Justifications (IJs) that align with the IPR Program priorities and funding allocation. Final review and recommendation for approval is completed by FEMA and TSA.