# **GPA Federal Grant Summary for specific capital projects**

Project	Date	Grant Program	Total Project Budget	Total Grant Amount	Grant % vs Budget
Mason MegaRail	12/28/17	FastLane 2016	\$220,536,432	\$44,000,000	19.95%
Berth 1 Realignment	6/28/21	PIDP-2019	\$138,250,000	\$34,600,000	25.03%
NE Georgia Inland Port	Apr, 2022 (1)	INFRA-2021	\$156,227,805 (2)	\$46,868,000	30.00%
Colonel's Island Berth 4	Jan. 2023 (1)	PIDP-2021	\$54,458,338 (2)	\$14,647,284	26.90%
Total			\$569,472,575	\$140,115,284	24.60%

### Notes

- (1) Estimated date of grant execution
- (2) GPA Board approval still pending

FASTLANE: Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act PIDP: Port Infrastructure Development Program INFRA: Infrastructure for Rebuilding America



### **Typical USDOT Grant Application Steps**

- ✓ Read the NOFO
- Develop relationships with USDOT leads get them familiar with your project
- ✓ Understand the grant criteria
- ✓ NEPA has to be completed or at least path forward
  - Grant agreement can not be executed until NEPA is complete
- ✓ Identify project that best matches specific grant program
  - Fine tune project scope to best match grant program criteria
- ✓ Develop compelling "Purpose & Need"
  - ✓ Narrative needs to concise, but tells the story
- Develop project costs and schedule
  - ✓ Cost match is critical 50% or greater
- ✓ Develop Benefit Cost Analysis
  - ✓ Needs to be greater than 1.0

Anticipated Outcomes	Benefits (\$M)	
Supply Chain Efficiencies	\$36.2	
Vessel Emissions Reduction	\$472.6	
Vessel Operating Costs at Terminal	(\$0.8)	
Emissions Reduction from Faster Terminal Throughput	\$3.1	
Total Benefits	\$511.1	
Total Costs	(\$125.6)	
Benefit-Cost Ratio	4.07	

#### Preliminary Schedule





### Best Practices – Read the NOFO

- Read the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) completely and carefully to understand the criteria for eligibility and selection, and what information each application must include
- FRA has identified three primary areas where applications not selected for funding typically demonstrate deficiencies:
  - Project Narrative
  - Statement of Work (SOW)
  - Benefit-Cost Analysis (BCA)





### What Projects Compete Well?

Demonstrates clear, direct, significant, and positive local or regional impact relative to the merit criteria

Benefits appear reasonable and justifiable

Specific timeline for completion

Presents a clear story and details the project impact

Results in good-paying jobs, improves safety, applies transformative technology

Explicitly considered climate change and racial equity in the planning and design stage

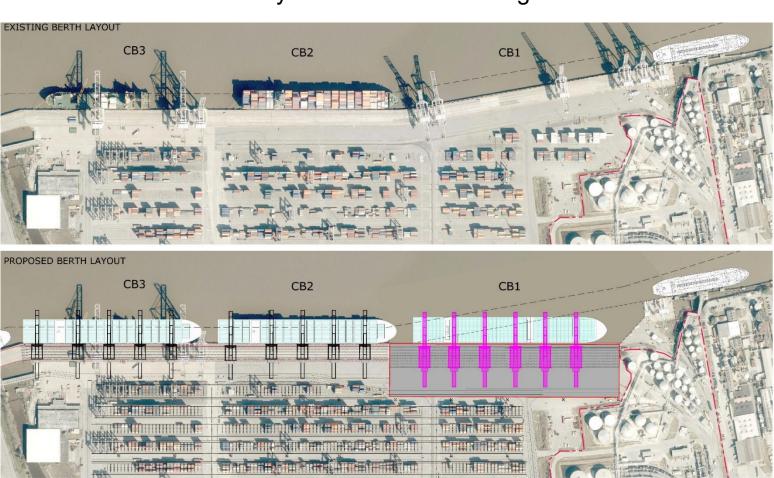
Emphasizes improved access to reliable, safe, and affordable transportation, particularly for underserved and overburdened communities



### Typical Grant Lifecycle and Approximate Time Frames







Case Study: GPA's Berth 1 Realignment

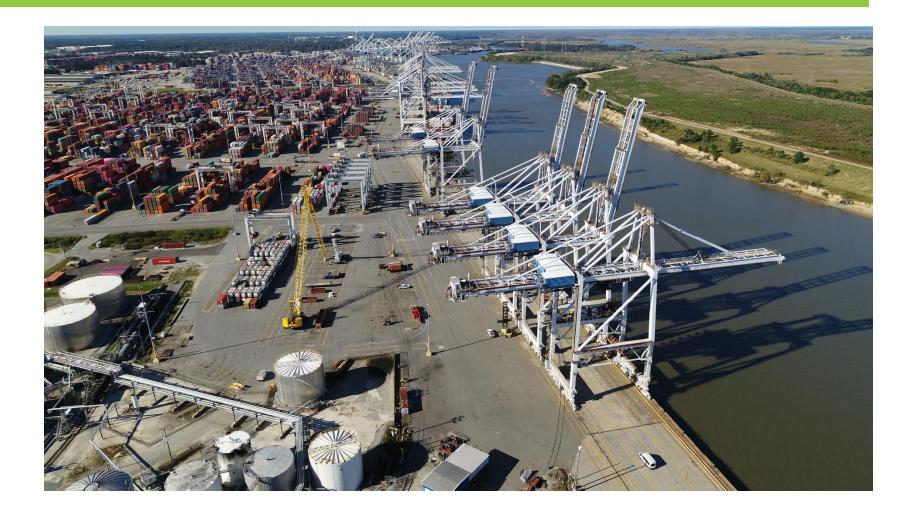




Case Study: GPA's Berth 1 Realignment

2/14/2020 9/15/2019 9/13/2019 9/10/2019 9/5/2019 8/29/2019 8/27/2019 8/23/2019 8/21/2019 8/5/2019 7/3/2019 7/2/2019 USDOT announces grant awards Grant Application Submitted Final Version submitted to GPA Project Schedule finalized BCA finalized Project scope finalized Application template finalized Permitting completed Letters of Support template sent Project selection NTP authorized by GPA HDR Proposal Submitted to GPA

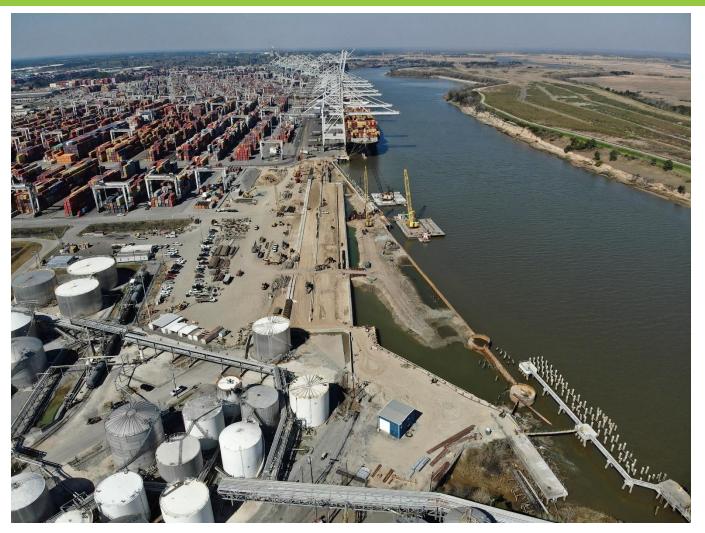






GPA's Berth 1 at the Notice to Proceed: April 12, 2021







GPA's Berth 1 at 35% Complete: February 15, 2022

