



**NORTH CENTRAL TEXAS CLEAN SCHOOL BUS PROGRAM
2012 CALL FOR PROJECTS**

SELECTION CRITERIA

Properly completed applications will be evaluated and ranked by the North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) staff. Projects will be scored on an activity-by-activity basis. Factors that will be used to evaluate applications are based on eligibility and scoring criteria:

Eligibility Criteria: Each of the following must be satisfied to be eligible for funding.

<u>Criteria</u>	<u>Yes/No</u>
Clean Fleet Policy Adoption by March 16, 2012 <i>[Applicable to public entities only]</i>	
Operates in 16-county region	
Project is either a Replacement, Repower, Retrofit, or Idle Reduction Technology --If retrofit or idle reduction, then must be EPA/CARB verified	
At Least 25% NO _x reductions <i>[Applicable to replacement, repower, and retrofit projects only]</i>	
Project implementation completion date by February 2013	
Projects are fully SIP creditable	
Projects could not have been completed without this grant funding	
Application is complete with all supplemental material received by the deadline	
Has an approved procurement process identified in application	

Scoring Criteria: Projects will be ranked based on the following criteria.

<u>Criteria + Rank</u>	<u>Score</u>
Cost-Effectiveness: 1 st : Cost per ton of NO _x reduced 2 nd : Total tons of NO _x reduced 3 rd : Cost per ton of PM reduced 4 th : Total tons of PM reduced	90 points
Carbon dioxide (CO ₂) emission reductions?	Yes/No
Primarily operates in nine-county ozone nonattainment area?	Yes/No

Feasibility: --Date of project implementation --Recipients have identified: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funding needs • Procurement and implementation procedures • Source of local match 	5 points
Previous participation in Regional Transportation Council initiatives: To receive full points, previous project implementation has to have been successful, completed on time and without significant changes to work scope, and was satisfactory overall. Entities that have not previously partnered with NCTCOG will receive a neutral score as NCTCOG encourages new partnerships.	5 points
Highest Possible Score	100 points

NCTCOG is not obligated to fund a proposal from an applicant that has demonstrated marginal or unsatisfactory performance on previous grants and contracts with NCTCOG or other state or federal agencies. NCTCOG is not obligated to fund a proposal from an applicant based on a determination of the risks associated with the applicant, including the financial condition of the applicant and other risk factors as may be determined by NCTCOG.

Regardless of the scores and ranking assigned, NCTCOG may base funding decisions on other factors associated with best achieving the goals of the program. Additionally, NCTCOG may select parts of a proposal for funding and may offer to fund less than the dollar amount requested in a proposal.