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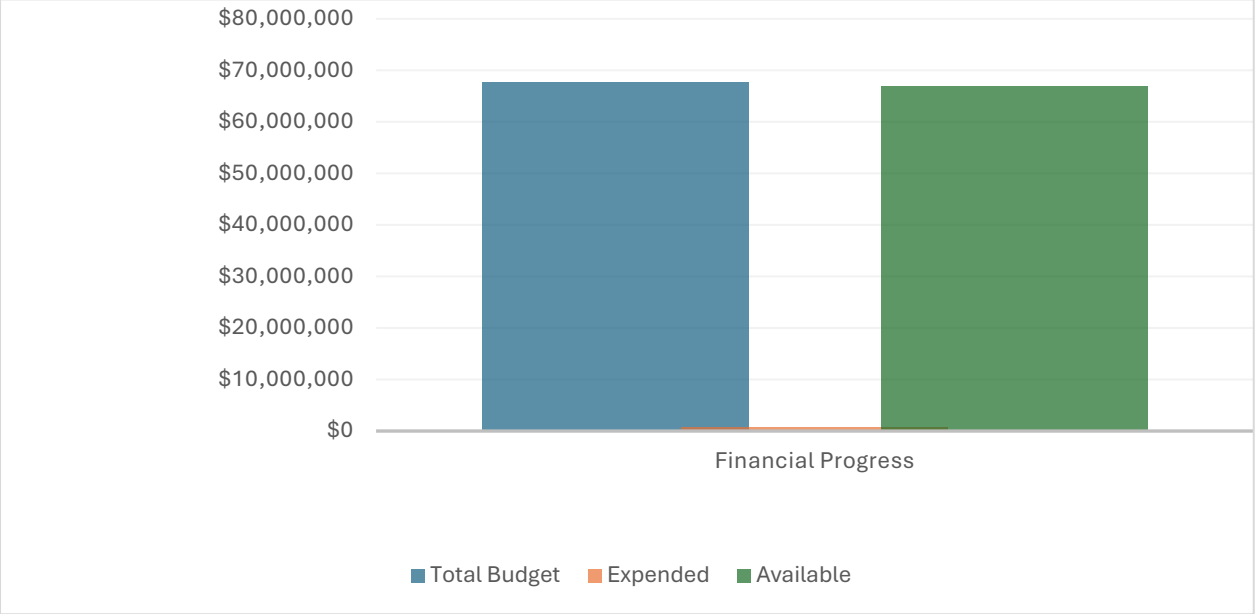
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Electrical Grid Grant Expenditures Snapshot

Financial Progress



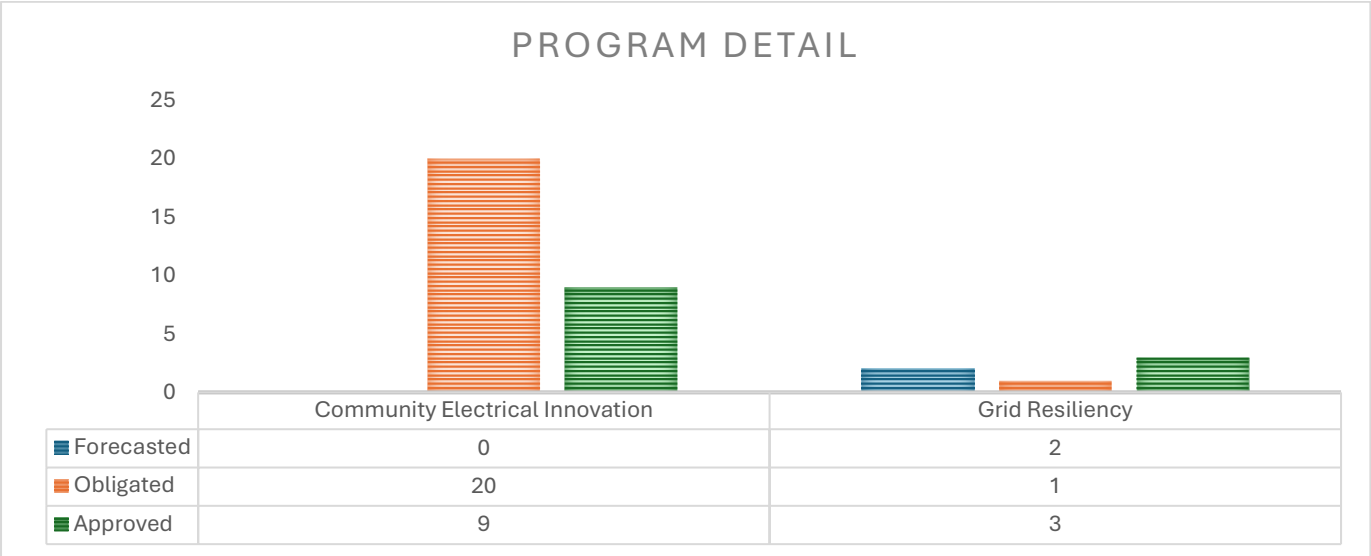
Grant Fund Disbursement	Budget	Funds Expended	Budget Available	% Expended
Administration	$ 3,382,650.00	$697,798.28	$2,684,851.72	21%
PR1 Grid Resiliency	$ 35,788,437.00	$0	$35,788,437.00	0%
PR 2 Community Innovative	$19,010,493.00	$349,711.48	$18,660,781.52	2%
P2 Solarized Hubs	$2,706,120.00	$0.00	$2,706,120.00	0%
Planning	$ 6,765,300.00	$178,587.94	$6,586,712.06	3%
Total	**$ 67,653,000.00**	**$1,226,097.70**	**$66,426,902.30**	**2%**

Projects Progress

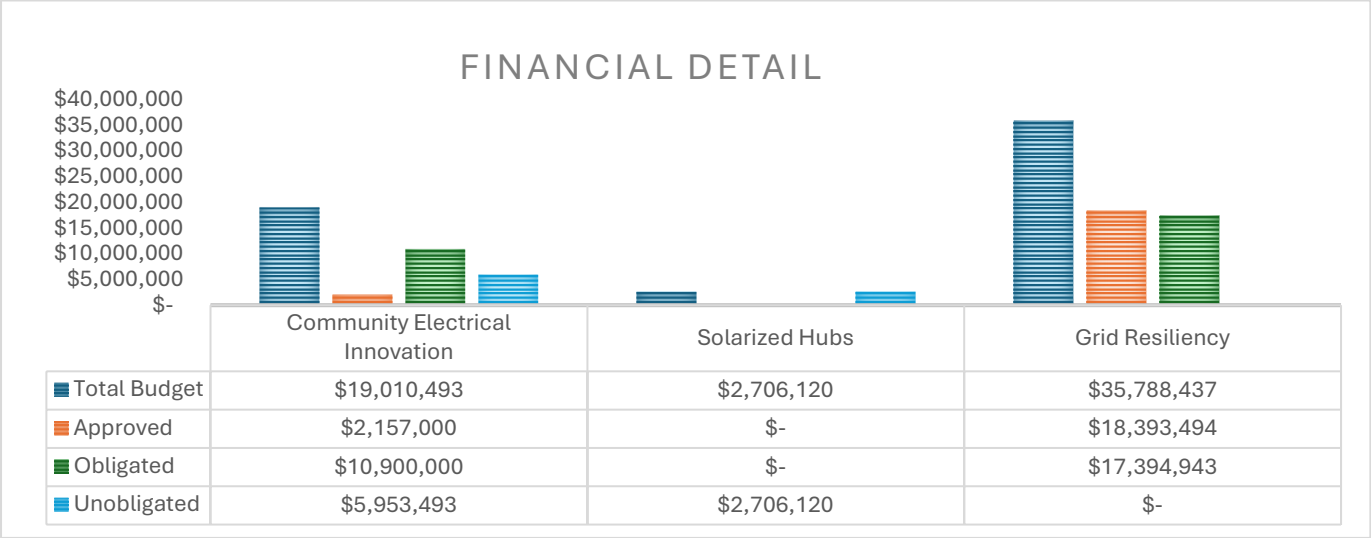
	Forecasted	Obligated	Approved	Closed	Total
CEIP		20	9		29
Grid Resiliency	2	1	3		6
	Application Review	Environmental / Regulatory	In Progress	Closed/ Completed	Total
All Projects	20	3	10	1	34

Commercial Electrical Innovation

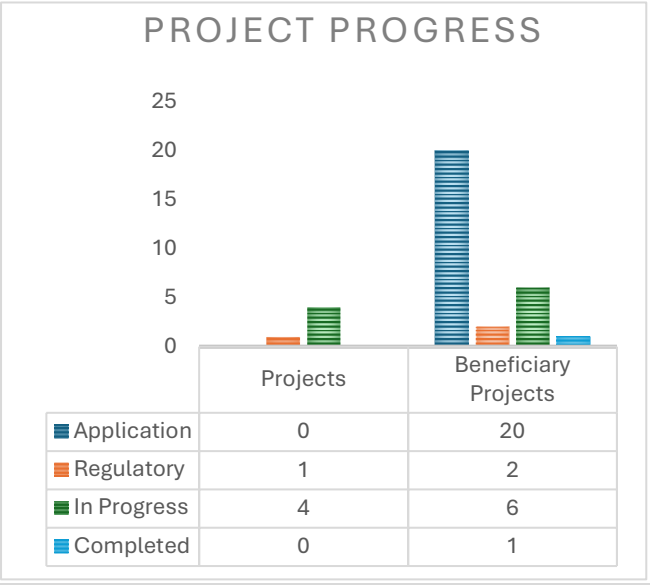
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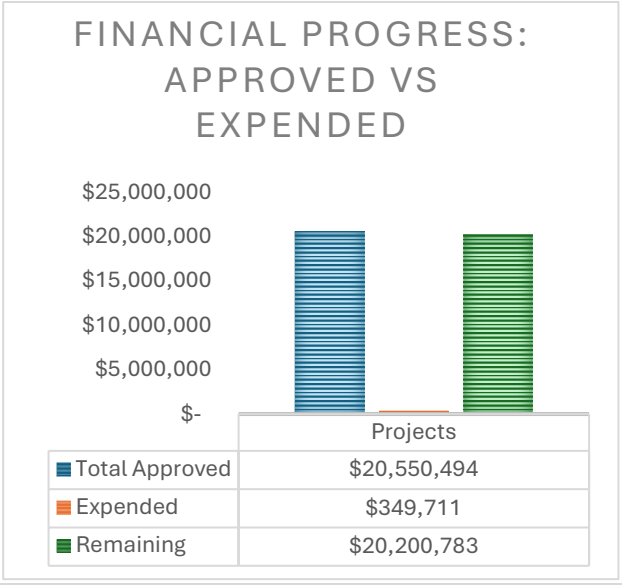
	Community Electrical Innovation	Grid Resiliency
Forecasted	0	2
Obligated	20	1
Approved	9	3



	Community Electrical Innovation	Solarized Hubs	Grid Resiliency
Total Budget	$19,010,493	$2,706,120	$35,788,437
Approved	$2,157,000	$-	$18,393,494
Obligated	$10,900,000	$-	$17,394,943
Unobligated	$5,953,493	$2,706,120	$-



	Projects	Beneficiary Projects
Application	0	20
Regulatory	1	2
In Progress	4	6
Completed	0	1



	Projects
Total Approved	$20,550,494
Expended	$349,711
Remaining	$20,200,783

Monthly Projects Update

Overview

**This overview includes projects with active applications that are under review, undergoing environmental review, approved, or currently in progress. Forecasted projects with no active applications are not represented below.*

Application Review	Environmental Review	In Progress	Complete
0	1	4	0
Beneficiary Application Finalization	**Environmental Review**	**In Progress**	**Complete**
20	2	6	1

Project	Project Cost	Expended to Date
Community Electrical Innovation	$ 10,000,000.00	$349,711.48
Grid Resiliency	$ 35,788,437.00	$0 (AUGF just received)

Monthly Update

Community Electrical Innovation Program	
Community Electrical Innovation Program (Energy Vulnerable)	
Status: (in Progress, hold)	In progress
Project Description:	The Community Electrical Innovation Program was created to mitigate electric power supply interruptions to entities that assist vulnerable populations in low- and moderate-income areas. Specifically, this initiative targets entities that provide daycare services, afterschool programs, homeless shelters, and the elderly. Systems will consist of wiring and conduits from the electrical panel to the solar panels and the battery storage system. The battery storage systems will be fastened to interior or exterior walls (depending on the most cost effective option).
Expected Project Outcome(s):	Installation of 40+ consumer scale solar and battery installations
Period of Performance: (Start and End Date)	March 25, 2025-June 06, 2029
Grant Source : (DR, MIT, EGrid)	EGrid
Total Project Cost: (all funding sources)	$19,010,493
Grant Funded Project Cost: (include ADC)	$19,010,493

Funds Expended This Month:	$12,051.67 per EM Grants
Funds Expended to Date:	$349,711.48
Progress: (%)	25% based on project milestones
Project Update:	The DHS Savan Head Start site received the Chief Disaster Recovery Officer's (CDRO) signature, completing the Tier II Environmental Review. The Historic Preservation Committee (HPC) presentation was not conducted because the Virgin Islands Energy Office (VIEO) determined that the selected contractor would be better positioned to present the project's technical scope, design, and proposed energy improvements. As a result, the Savan Head Start site was excluded from the first procurement bundle and will be included in the second bundle. The first procurement bundle consists of Annas Hope, Tenacious Toddlers, Sugar Estate, Cruz Bay, and DoReMi Daycare. Frederiksted Head Start and Richmond Head Start were not included in the initial procurement bundle and required additional environmental review activities, specifically lead and asbestos testing, respectively, before Tier II completion and procurement could proceed. Following consultation with the Department of Planning and Natural Resources (DPNR) and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), it was determined that Frederiksted Head Start is not in violation of the Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA). Mr. Mark of DPNR clarified that another school located on the same parcel was in violation of the SDWA and that surrounding properties would not be affected. Most importantly, Frederiksted Head Start is not registered as a Public Water System and can proceed to procurement as part of the second bundle. Richmond Head Start, however, is currently undergoing lead testing through VIHFA Environmental. The Notice to Proceed was issued to the contractor on June 29, 2026, with completion anticipated by August 31, 2026. The Environmental team anticipates submitting all Tier II Environmental Review packages associated with the second procurement bundle to the **CDRO** for signature by the second week of August 2026, which may allow Richmond Head Start to be included in the bundle. It is also important to note that, on July 20, 2026, HUD suspended Community Development Block Grant Electrical Grid Resilience (CDBG-EGRID) funding, preventing procurement activities for Bundles 1 and 2. Until further notice, no major direct costs can be approved due to the funding suspension. **Issue Identified:** Project implementation has been delayed due to the program's reliance on an external entity, the Department of Property and Procurement (DPP), to conduct procurement activities. Additional environmental review requirements for certain sites have also affected project schedules. Furthermore, the HUD-mandated suspension of CDBG-EGRID funding is significantly impacting program implementation and expenditures. **Actions Taken:** On July 14, 2026, VIHFA and VIEO held a program management meeting to discuss procurement timelines, the status of the

Happy Faces invoice, and options for advancing project implementation. The Happy Faces invoice was expected to be resolved by the end of July 2026. During the meeting, VIHFA indicated that Procurement, Finance, and Compliance staff would evaluate alternative procurement approaches, including the potential use of VIHFA's self-certification procurement authority to reduce delays associated with external procurement support.

Corrective Actions: A follow-up meeting with Procurement, Finance, and Compliance staff was scheduled for July 23, 2026, to further assess procurement alternatives and implementation requirements; however, the meeting was canceled due to the suspension of program funds. VIHFA and VIEO will continue evaluating alternative procurement pathways, including the use of self-certification procurement authority where permissible, while updating project milestones and key performance indicators (KPIs), coordinating with relevant stakeholders, and monitoring implementation schedules to minimize delays and maintain progress toward project objectives.

Dependencies/Bottlenecks/Delays:
Project implementation has been delayed due to several factors. The program's reliance on the Department of Property and Procurement (DPP) for procurement services has impacted the timely advancement of project activities. In addition, environmental review requirements delayed procurement readiness for several sites, including Frederiksted Head Start, which required Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) verification, and Richmond Head Start, which remains pending completion of lead testing. The DHS Savan Head Start site was also removed from the first procurement bundle because the Historic Preservation Committee (HPC) presentation could not be completed until a contractor is selected to present the project's technical scope and design. Furthermore, on July 20, 2026, HUD issued a suspension of Community Development Block Grant Electrical Grid (CDBG-EGRID) funding, preventing procurement activities for both Bundles 1 and 2 and restricting the approval of major direct costs. These factors have collectively delayed project implementation and adversely affected overall program expenditures, procurement timelines, and project schedules.

Performance Measures:

Performance Measure	**KPI**	**Monthly Performance Value**	To Date
Ex. Homes in Construction			
Applications received	40	40	40
Applications reviewed	40	40	40
Applications approved			
Applications denied	11 (pre-appeals)	11	11
Projects Completed	29	1	1
Bundles in progress per quarter	1	1 (daycare bundle)	1
Energy Cost Reduction	0	0	
KW of generation installed	0	0	

	# of generation assets exporting to grid	0	0	
	KWh of Battery Installed	0	0	

GRID RESILIENCY

Feeders 11 & 12 Rebuild

Status: (in Progress, hold)	Environmental Review (AUGF received after reporting period)
Project Description:	Replacement of the 113K linear feet of transmission lines between Randolph Harley Power Plant and Donald Francois Substation.
Expected Project Outcome(s):	Improved reliability and enhanced electrical service. Rebuild of two transmission cables for the main district feeders, restoring compliance with reliability standards and reducing risk of outages. It eliminates the current single-line vulnerability by providing redundancy, aligning with industry's best practices and the grant's objective to improve service reliability for ratepayers.
Period of Performance: (Start and End Date)	To be determined.
Grant Source : (DR, MIT, EGrid)	EGRID
Total Project Cost: (all funding sources)	$13,341,175
Grant Funded Project Cost: (include ADC)	$13,341,175
Funds Expended This Month:	$0
Funds Expended To Date:	$0
Progress: (%)	25% based on project milestones 0% based on expenditure
Project Update	During the June 21 through July 20 reporting period, the Feeders 11 and 12 Rebuild Project advanced through agreement review and procurement coordination activities. Legal review of the draft subrecipient agreement was completed, and the agreement was subsequently provided to Finance for review and comment. Finance completed its review and provided concurrence on July 10, 2026. Following receipt of Finance approval, the draft SRA was transmitted to VIWAPA for review and signature. The Request for Proposals (RFP) solicitation package for Feeder 11 and Feeder 12 under the CDBG-EGRID Grid Resiliency Project was submitted to VIHFA Procurement on June 30, 2026. Procurement reviewed the solicitation package and provided concurrence during the July 9, 2026 meeting. During that meeting, Procurement also introduced VIWAPA to the VIHFA Procurement Portal for use on VIHFA-funded projects to support procurement coordination, solicitation management, and document sharing.

	The project status and the pending signed SRA deliverable were also emphasized during the July 15, 2026 joint VIWAPA Recovery Projects Status meeting. The project remains a priority activity requiring continued coordination between VIWAPA and VIHFA to support timely SRA execution and advancement of the RFP solicitation process. **Dependencies/Bottlenecks/Delays:** Project advancement is dependent on VIWAPA's review and execution of the draft SRA, continued coordination through the VIHFA Procurement Portal, and completion of the RFP solicitation process following Procurement concurrence.
Performance Measures:	To be determined upon executed agreement.

Distribution Automation Devices Project	
Status: (in Progress, hold)	In progress
Project Description:	Proposed project activities consist of sourcing, designing and installation of up to 30 units as distribution automated device -closer devices, on the existing infrastructure
Expected Project Outcome(s):	Implementation will detect and isolate faulted areas to allow quicker service restoration and optimize power flow. This results in shorter and fewer outages which increase reliability.
Period of Performance: (Start and End Date)	To Be Determined
Grant Source :	EGRID
Total Project Cost: (all funding sources)	$ 1,500,000.00
Grant Funded Project Cost: (include ADC)	$1,605,000.00
Funds Expended This Month:	$0.00
Funds Expended To Date:	$0.00
Progress: (%)	25% based on project milestones 0% based on expenditure
Project Update	For the June 21 through July 20 reporting period, the Distribution Automation Devices Project advanced from environmental documentation into agreement finalization and procurement coordination. WAPA submitted the project's environmental monitoring plan on June 26, 2026, supporting completion of the documentation needed to proceed with the subrecipient agreement process. The final subrecipient agreement was reviewed by HFA Finance, found acceptable, and then routed to HFA Legal. Legal sufficiency was applied on July 14, 2026. Following that review, the draft SRA was transmitted to WAPA for execution with a requested return date of July 17, 2026.

	During a meeting on July 9, 2026 facilitated by VIHFA Procurement a meeting on with the ESP/INF Director and WAPA's grant and contract teams and reviewed the solicitation quote package and provided concurrence. During the July 15, 2026 joint VIWAPA Recovery Projects Status meeting, HFA reminded WAPA of the pending execution deadline and offered to coordinate a joint signing session for the required signatories. The Program is continuing its follow-up with WAPA because execution of the SRA is required before WAPA can formally begin the quotation process and move procurement forward. At the same meeting, CEO Knight clarified that the Distribution Automation Devices Project, unlike the Feeder 11 and 12 procurement, would not require Board committee approval. The Program requested and received confirmation of this procurement pathway during the meeting. This clarification supports the project's potential to remain aligned with the expedited-spend strategy, provided that required documentation, internal reviews, and procurement initiation proceed without further delay. The procurement schedule and spending outlook will be updated as WAPA provides additional information on the anticipated quotation process. **Dependencies/ Bottlenecks/Delays:** The project remains dependent on WAPA's execution of the SRA, completion of any remaining internal reviews, and timely commencement of the quotation process. As of July 20, 2026, the executed SRA had not yet been received, which may affect the procurement and expenditure timelines.
Performance Measures:	To be determined upon executed agreement.

Transformer Replacement Project

Status: (in Progress, hold)	In progress
Project Description:	Proposed project activities consist of replacement of up to 244 degraded units in residential facing rate payers. Replacing aged and damaged non-CSP transformers with a new stainless steel tanked CSP transformers.
Expected Project Outcome(s):	Targeted replacement of degraded and deteriorated transformers territory wide as integrated in the transmission and distribution system. Implementation will replace corroded, improperly sized transformers that have deteriorated with new Completely Self Protected (CSP) fitted with internal protection and lightning surge protection. This results in reliability and capacity-size transformers for residential rate payers. Improved reliability and enhanced electrical service.
Period of Performance: (Start and End Date)	To Be Determined

Grant Source : (DR, MIT, EGrid)	EGRID
Total Project Cost: (all funding sources)	$ 3,000,000
Grant Funded Project Cost: (include ADC)	$3,210,000.00
Funds Expended This Month:	$0.00
Funds Expended To Date:	$0.00
Progress: (%)	25% based on project milestones 0% based on expenditure
Project Update	During the June 21 through July 20 reporting period, WAPA provided the environmental monitoring plan for this project on June 26, 2026. The final subrecipient agreement was reviewed and found acceptable by HFA Finance, subsequently shared with HFA Legal, and determined legally sufficient on July 14, 2026. The draft subrecipient agreement was then transmitted to WAPA for execution on or before July 17, 2026. The solicitation quote package was also reviewed by VIHFA Procurement, and Procurement concurrence was provided during the July 9, 2026 meeting. At the July 15, 2026 joint VIWAPA Recovery Projects Status meeting, HFA reminded WAPA of the SRA transmittal and requested execution date and offered to coordinate a joint signing session for all required signatories. The Program continues to follow up with WAPA to obtain the signed SRA. Execution of the SRA is necessary for WAPA to formally initiate the quotation process and advance procurement activities. During the same meeting, CEO Knight confirmed that the Transformer Replacement project would not require Board committee approval. The Program viewed this clarification as favorable because it had not previously been identified as part of the procurement pathway. As a result, the Transformer Replacement Project remains a potential expedited-spend activity, subject to timely completion of the required documentation and internal reviews. Updates to the procurement schedule and spending outlook will be provided as additional information becomes available. **Dependencies/Bottlenecks/Delays:** Project advancement remains dependent on WAPA's execution of the SRA, completion of required internal reviews, and timely initiation of the quotation process. As of July 20, 2026, the executed SRA remained pending, which may affect the procurement schedule and spending timeline.
Performance Measures:	To be determined upon executed agreement.

St. Thomas East End Substation BESS Installation

Status: (in Progress, hold)	Environmental Review
Project Description:	Proposed project activities consist of purchase, installation, and commissioning a substation Battery Energy Storage System for 7C and 9C Feeders and design of the infrastructure.
Expected Project Outcome(s):	Increase electrical service reliability for residential ratepayers with the install of a 15MW/30MWH BESS serving feeders 9C and 7C to support full back up and ancillary services to a substantial portion of the points farthest from the Randolph Harley Generation plant.
Period of Performance: (Start and End Date)	To Be Determined
Grant Source :	EGRID
Total Project Cost: (all funding sources)	$ 17,158,225
Grant Funded Project Cost: (include ADC)	$17,394,943
Funds Expended This Month:	$0
Funds Expended To Date:	0
Progress: (%)	22.5% based on project milestones 0% based on expenditure
Project Update	The project continues to advance through the regulatory environmental review process. Two dependent processes needed to complete this environmental review have met two distinct milestones. The first is the Coastal Zone Federal Consistency Determination and the Environmental Assessment. The milestone achieved was the pre-application presentation to the Coastal Zone Management Review on June 23, 2026. The second is the completion of the Phase 1 EA by VIHFA's external environmental contractor who was engaged on June 16. 2026. This coordination is expected to further define the requirements and timeline for obtaining the necessary determination. The Program team continues to coordinate closely with all parties to advance both environmental processes and is awaiting the findings and outcomes of the FCD and EA reviews While finalization of the Subrecipient agreement for this project is contingent on the completion of the environmental reviews and the FCD, preliminary Key Performance Indicators for the project have been established shared to WAPA's legal. Finalization of the Subrecipient Agreement remains contingent upon completion of the Environmental Review Record and the successful resolution of all associated environmental requirements.

	This project was added into the matrix of strategies for expedited expenditure first shared with WAPA on May 27 and then revised on June 17. It is hoped that this project with its expended plan to obtain the AUGF in the week of August 13, will maintain its timeline to spend. On June 19, 2026 a site visit took place. Participants were Star Matthew of WAPA, with representatives from Energy Solutions and Infrastructure, Environmental, Compliance and Monitoring, Media and the DCDRO. **Dependencies/ Bottlenecks/Delays:** WAPA expenditure strategy.
Performance Measures:	To be determined upon executed agreement.