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A.1 PURPOSE AND OBJECTIVE (page 5 of NOFO 693JJ921R00001)

The purpose of this Cooperative Agreement (CA or Agreement) is to support the development and evaluation of the Drug Evaluation and Classification (DEC) Program. The purposes and objectives of this project include:

Development: The Recipient will develop and enhance the DEC Program through curricula development, science, toxicology, prosecution, research, law enforcement policies and procedures, including officer safety measures and other appropriate means.

- Training and coordinating with law enforcement officers on drug impaired driving enforcement, which includes but is not limited to the Standardized Field Sobriety (SFST) Program, the Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement (ARIDE) Program and the Drug Evaluation and Classification (DEC) Program, also known as the Drug Recognition Expert (DRE) Program.

Demonstration: The Recipient will test and evaluate specific program components with SHSOs, allied organizations, law enforcement, prosecutors, toxicologists and others as it relates to the DEC Program.

Support: The Recipient will develop the DEC Program by convening a panel of subject matter experts in the application of the SFST, ARIDE and DRE Programs.

- 1) For Development, does this CA request the recipient to directly deliver SFST, ARIDE, and DRE training to law enforcement officers? If so, how many classes would the recipient need to offer each year to satisfy this requirement?

NHTSA Response:

The Recipient is required to have DRE Instructors on staff to oversee and provide technical assistance to states who will be delivering the training.

- 2) For Demonstration, is the CA requesting the recipient to conduct state DRE assessments of particular programs which would include panelists from highway safety offices, law enforcement, prosecutors, and toxicologists? Or, can you provide clarification and examples for testing and evaluating specific program components?

NHTSA Response:

The Recipient will develop, demonstrate and evaluate components of the program utilizing subject matter experts including individuals from SHSOs, allied organizations, law enforcement, prosecutors, toxicologists

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- 3) For Support, is this panel of subject matter experts the Technical Advisory Panel as described in Activity 4?

NHTSA Response:

The Recipient will convene a panel of subject matter experts for program development, in addition to establishing the Technical Advisory Panel for oversight of program development and enhancement.

- 4) Is there a current Cooperative Agreement? If so, who is the incumbent or current Recipient?

NHTSA Response:

NHTSA has a current Cooperative Agreement Project, titled Drug Evaluation and Classification Program (DECP) with the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP)