E-Enterprise Community Inventory Platform

Creating a space to share, learn, and build good ideas



The <u>E- Enterprise Community Inventory Platform</u> (EECIP) is an online, living project inventory designed for EPA, state, local, and Tribal environmental agencies. The EECIP easy-to-use, searchable platform facilitates collaboration and sharing of best practices across environmental communities. EECIP was designed to help environmental agencies learn from one another by sharing projects and resources to reduce redundancy, encourage continuous improvement, and facilitate technology modernization.

How You Can Help

EPA can capitalize on the collaborative power of EECIP:

- 1. Boost EPA use of EECIP by registering for EECIP
- 2. Expand the range, scope, and availability of information by adding projects and upcoming events to EECIP
- 3. Leverage EECIP to enhance collaborative opportunities for developing/adapting shared solutions

How EECIP Can Help You

EECIP offers a vast catalogue of activities and a space to network, problem-solve, and share experiences:

- 2237 projects from EPA, state, and Tribal agencies on a variety of current and practical issues
- Approximately 304 partner agencies
- Over 943 EECIP registrants, including 241 EPA users

There are many ways EECIP can improve working together internally and externally with our E-Enterprise partners:

- Discover and repurpose solutions implemented by EPA and partner agencies across media programs: Explore more than 2,000 initiatives currently included in EECIP. Find resources on several topics, including process improvement, community engagement, epermitting, safe drinking water, and more.
- Explore and understand needs and challenges of EPA, States, and Tribes: EPA can search EECIP for specific topics and browse content to understand what partner agencies are currently focusing on and how they are being handled. For example, EPA Regions, States and Tribes can share workload trade-off terms from Performance Partnerships Agreements (PPAs) and Performance Partnership Grants (PPGs) that support innovative and flexible approaches to program implementation.

The E-Enterprise Regional Coordinators work closely with States, Tribes, and EPA regional and program offices to promote awareness of E-Enterprise, spotlight best practices and process improvement opportunities, and support opportunities for workload trade-offs.

- Leverage the platform to review grant proposals: When evaluating grant submittals, EPA can search EECIP to identify if similar initiatives exist and avoid duplication for a new solicitation. For example, you could use EECIP to determine how to focus a Request for Proposals to address gaps in knowledge around a specific subject/practice.
- Participate in active discussions and answer questions other partner agencies may have: EECIP has a discussion forum where agencies can pose questions, hear from peer experts, and share
- If you are interested in finding out more about EECIP and its value for your work, please contact your regional <u>EERC</u>
- For EECIP technical questions or EECIP registration issues, please contact <u>Connor MacCartney of ECOS</u>

experiences. For example, you can ask questions about an issue that your organization is trying to solve and build upon others' ideas or experiences.

- Keep up-to-date on projects and events conducted by EPA and partner agencies: Agency users can directly post upcoming events and encourage partner participation in the discussion forum. Upcoming events may also be highlighted in the *Announcements* section on EECIP's home page (managed by ECOS).
- **Connect partners with resources:** In addition to project descriptions, EECIP includes contacts for specific activities or resources submitted. EPA Regions can make connections with other EPA, state and Tribal partners.
- **Subscribe to a specific topic:** EPA registrants can subscribe to and receive regular updates on topics of interest whenever that subject is referred to by EECIP users.

Useful Links

- <u>EECIP link</u>
- EECIP link to Promo Video
- EECIP link to Demo/Explainer Video

<u>E-Enterprise for the Environment</u> is a model for collaborative leadership among environmental coregulators. Through a shared governance model, environmental leaders at EPA, States, and Tribes are using E-Enterprise to deliver better results, often with lower costs and less burden, for the benefit of the public, the regulated community, and government agencies.

EECIP exemplifies the three main principles of E-Enterprise:

- 1. Shared governance by supporting real-time collaboration between EPA, States, and Tribes
- 2. **Process improvement** by sharing ideas and activities that can benefit regulators and the regulated community
- **3. Optimization of IT application development** by partners working together to develop and modernize technology solutions.