

ARP Grant Program Milestones

In March 2024, TDEC established new critical milestones for Grantees to demonstrate sufficient progress on grant contracts to mitigate completion risk. Not reaching these milestones will lead to intervention by TDEC leadership. TDEC intervention will include project evaluation for timely completion which may result in project termination and rescinding of funds. Each milestone is detailed below.

Non-competitive Grantees

Milestone	Description
April 30, 2024: Contract Procurement Requirement	All non-competitive grant contracts must have at least one procurement submitted for approval.
May 30, 2024: Project Procurement Requirement	All projects within a grant contract must have an affiliated procurement submitted for approval.
September 30, 2024: Awarded Contract Requirement	All projects within a grant contract must submit have an affiliated procurement submitted for approval.

ALL Grantees

Milestone	Description
January 30, 2025: Plans & Specifications Requirement (60%)	Grantees and engineers working on planning, design, and construction projects must attest to being at least 60% complete with the planning and design deliverables.
May 30, 2025: Plans & Specifications Requirement (100%)	All grantees with planning, design, and construction projects must submit final planning and design deliverables to TDEC.
August 30, 2025: Construction Start Requirement	All construction activity must start. This includes all project types. To verify construction starts, each construction project must have an initial site inspection by November 30, 2025.
December 15, 2025: Remaining Procurement Requirement	All projects must start, and all Grantees must submit any remaining awarded contracts for third-party work to TDEC. This milestone applies to all project types.

For questions related to ARP grant milestones, reach out to TDEC.ARP@tn.gov.