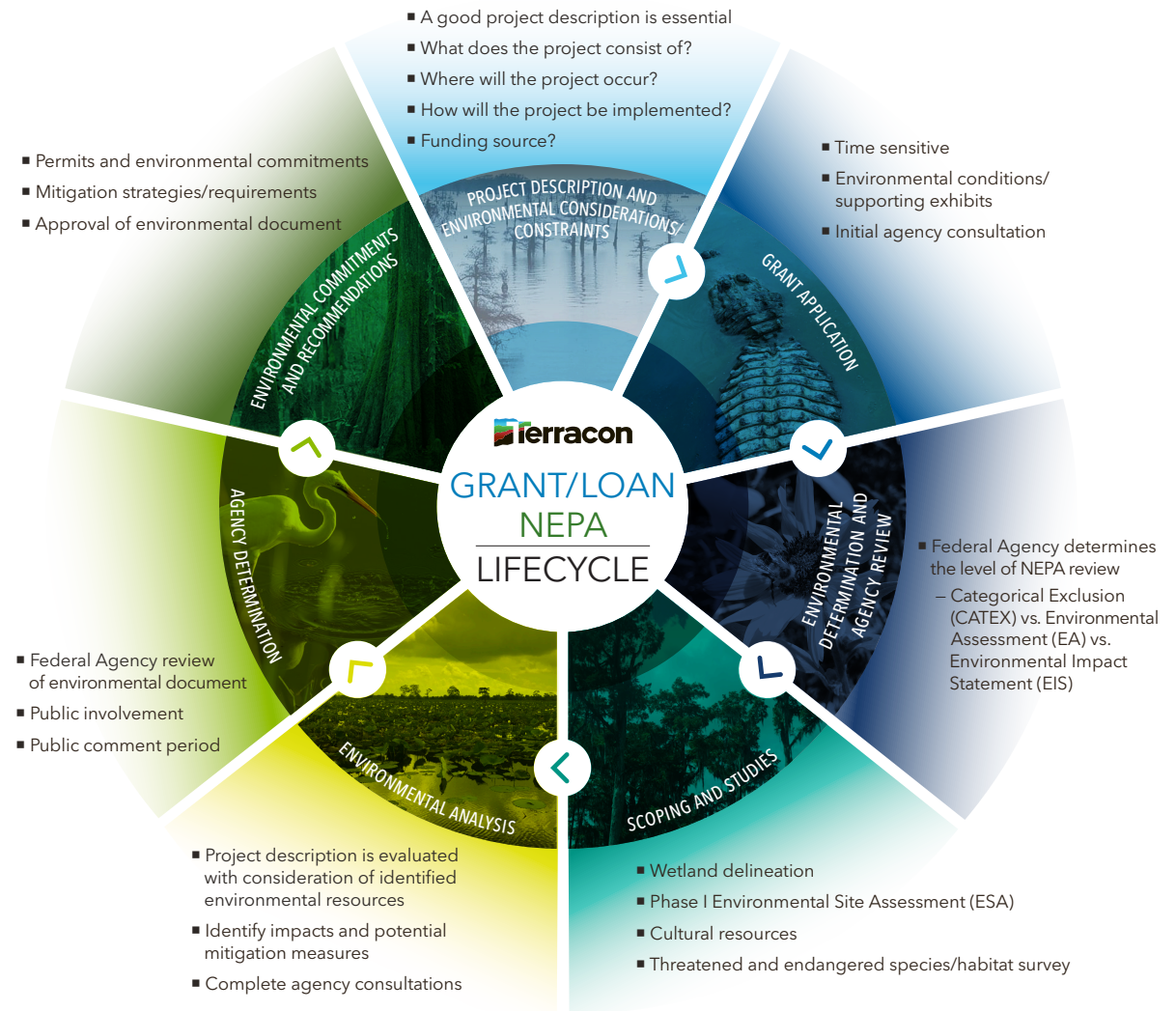


NEPA for Renewables

Environmental Services We Can Offer

- Categorical exclusion screening and documentation
- Environmental assessments
- Environmental impact statement
- Jurisdictional delineations for waters under Section 404 of the CWA and permitting
- T&E/protected species surveys
- Phase I Environmental Site Assessments (ESAs)
- Phase II ESAs
- Cultural resource surveys and section 106 compliance
- Environmental justice
- Socioeconomics
- Public engagement
- Prime & unique farmlands assessments - for NRCS under the Farmland Policy Protection Act
- SWPPP for stormwater
- Constraints Analysis



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OBTAINING FUNDS

The United States Department of Agriculture has two programs that provides funding (grants or loans for renewable energy projects). The largest program is the Rural Energy for America Program (REAP) with funds through the Inflation Reduction Act. The other is the Rural Business Enterprise Grant.

The United States Department of Energy, through the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act has 300 billion in loan guarantees for clean energy, facility decarbonization, and energy infrastructure reinvestment projects.

USDA

DOE

Rural Energy for America Program

Rural Business Enterprise Grant

Small Innovative Projects in Solar

Loan Program Office Title 17 Clean Energy Financing

Who Can Apply:

- Agricultural producer directly engaged in production of agricultural products and income is 50% or greater from agriculture business
- Rural Small Business (includes electric utility that provides service to rural consumers without support from public funds)

Funds can be used for:

- Renewable energy projects (biomass, geothermal, anaerobic digesters, hydrogen, wind, solar, hydroelectric, E85/biodiesel)

Who Can Apply:

- Rural co-ops
- Nonprofit corporation, local / state agencies

Funds can be used for:

- Feasibility studies
- Business plans
- Acquisition or development of land, easements, or rights of way; construction, conversion, renovation of buildings; plants, machinery, equipment, access

Who Can Apply:

- Open

Funds can be used for:

- Concepts / research associated with solar-thermal power plants
- Photo-voltaic research associated with cost reduction, increased output, recycling of materials for streets and roads; parking areas and utilities

Who Can Apply:

- Developers
- Manufacturers and service providers
- Regulated utilities
- Public power entities
- Independent power producers

Funds can be used for:

- Innovative Energy
- Manufacturing of clean energy technology
- Use of a qualifying clean energy technology
- Replacing of existing energy infrastructure to reduce air emissions

