The Northern Border Regional Commission

**HOW NBRC FUNCTIONS**

**AUTHORITY AND OVERSIGHT**

NBRC programs, projects, and applications are all approved by the vote of the Federal Member (Federal Co-Chair) and the collective vote of the majority of State Members (Governors). Oversight activities and policies are produced by the Members collectively as well as through committees of Members who work with the shared staff.

Grants are approved by the Members or their chosen Alternate.

**MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONS**

The NBRC Members have a shared staff that is accountable and responsible to the Members as a whole. The staff provides impartial information and counsel as to NBRC programs and direction.

The NBRC Members approve all grants.

**HOW THE NBRC IS FUNDED**

**PARTNERS’ CASH CONTRIBUTIONS**

For activities related to Authority and Oversight of the NBRC. It is up to each partner to decide on how much work they wish to dedicate to NBRC-related activities. These in-kind activities are approved and appropriated by each Member government.

All funding for grants is provided by the Federal Government depending on appropriations.

**PARTNERS’ IN-KIND CONTRIBUTIONS**

For activities related to Management and Operations. These shared staff costs require a unanimous vote of all the States and the Federal Co-Chair. The Federal Co-Chair is not allowed to participate when the States deliberate the extent of their cash participation.