EDA’s Indirect Cost Rate Program

Transition to DOI

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Department of Interior (DOI) will now manage all of EDA’s indirect cost processes

As of January 06, 2021, the Office of Indirect Cost Services for IBC is negotiating, issuing, and countersigning indirect rate agreements AND issuing acknowledgment letters on behalf of EDA

This means that EDA staff and grantees will now begin to contact DOI for anything related to indirect costs, NICRAs, and acknowledgment letters at EDA_Indirect@ibc.doi.gov

EDA is still the cognizant agency
DOI’s portfolio of services for EDA will include:

- Negotiating indirect cost rates
- Issuing acknowledgment letters for certificates of indirect costs
- Giving guidance / responding to EDA staff and grantee questions
- Training for EDA staff and grantees
Guidance for NON-PROFIT Organizations to obtain a NICRA:

1. Prepare Indirect Cost Rate Proposal (ICRP)

2. Email complete ICRP to DOI at EDA_Indirect@ibc.doi.gov
   - Grantee will now be working exclusively with DOI

3. DOI negotiator will contact the grantee when ready

4. Negotiation process can take 4-6 months
   - This is an annual process. Grantees are encouraged to plan accordingly.

5. DOI will issue their NICRA on behalf of EDA

* During this transition, all indirect cost documentation and questions should be sent to DOI via EDA_Indirect@ibc.doi.gov
State and Local Governments

Organizations receiving less than $35M per year in Federal funding

➢ Option 1: Acknowledgment letter
  1. Entity may request an acknowledgment letter by submitting their Certificate of Indirect Costs to DOI via EDA_Indirect@ibt.doi.gov
  2. DOI provides acknowledgment letter to organization
  3. Entity must develop and maintain their full indirect cost proposal in accordance with 2 CFR 200 for their records and annual audits

➢ Option 2: NICRA
  1. Organization may request a NICRA and follow the process for Non-Profits

*EDA reserves the right to require EDDs to submit to DOI an indirect cost rate proposal if, in EDA’s judgment, a NICRA is required to verify the District Organization’s proposed indirect cost rate.
EDA Indirect Cost Website:

https://www.eda.gov/resources/indirect-costs/

General Information: https://ibc.doi.gov/ICS/icrna

Templates for all Entity types:

https://ibc.doi.gov/ICS/non-profit-templates