



2021 Post-Fire Recovery Grant Program

Introduction

This document supplements OWEB's Guidance on Budgeting in Grants (GoBig), which covers all grant programs. To access OWEB's standard GoBig document, visit <https://www.oregon.gov/oweb/Documents/GoBIG.pdf>

The items outlined in this supplement are specific to 2021 post-fire grants and different from other grant programs, primarily due to the General Fund (tax dollar) source used to fund this program and the Legislative intent for these funds. Grant budgets will be reviewed per program guidance, but there will be an emphasis on "on the ground" work. Given this, indirect and other project costs—such as outreach costs—should be kept to a minimum.

Budget Differences from "Regular" OWEB Grants

Expenses for eligible costs and activities will be retroactive to April 4, 2022. All receipt requirements remain the same as for other OWEB grants.

Contingencies are not allowed.

Promotional items and extensive stakeholder engagement activities are not allowed. Websites, facility or meeting room rentals, software purchase, food of any kind, and printing are also not allowed.

Equipment purchase is allowed; however, equipment purchase expenses will be evaluated for necessity to project outcomes.

Equipment usage rates are allowed. Grantees may charge equipment rental rates. OWEB reserves the right to request additional information regarding how the equipment rental rates being sought for reimbursement were calculated.

Indirect costs are capped at a 10% maximum amount, regardless of any other negotiated rate. For those with a federally negotiated indirect cost rate (FNICR), the difference between the 10% and the FNICR can be used for match.

Additionally, OWEB encourages grantees to minimize indirect costs associated with any subawards or contracts in order to focus use for funding for on-the-ground implementation.

Post-grant costs are not allowed.

Billing

Grantees are required to bill OWEB quarterly, at a minimum (more frequent billing is allowed). Quarterly progress reporting also is required.