

761—165.10(465B) Project agreement.

165.10(1) After the commission has approved funding for a recreational trails project, the department enters into a project agreement with the applicant.

a. The agreement is to specify the responsibilities for project planning, design, land acquisition, contracting, construction and materials inspection, and documentation and the criteria for each. The agreement is to also specify the overall funding level approved and contain an estimated budget for eligible work items.

b. By executing the agreement, the applicant agrees to comply with all local, state and federal laws, rules and regulations that may apply to the project.

165.10(2) The department will reimburse the authority for actual eligible project costs incurred as specified in the agreement, not to exceed the amounts authorized by the project agreement.

165.10(3) Project expenditures incurred after the commission has made a funding commitment, but before execution of the agreement, are eligible for reimbursement if a project agreement is subsequently executed. Reimbursement is to be paid following execution of the project agreement.

165.10(4) The department may audit all project costs incurred for compliance with the agreement, including costs that are part of the matching contribution. All force account work performed by a county or city on the project is to be audited.

165.10(5) The department may revoke funding commitments, seek repayment of funds already reimbursed, or take both actions if:

a. The terms of the project agreement have not been fulfilled.

b. An agreement has not been signed within six months after the project sponsor receives the signature copy.

c. The department finds that the application contained inaccuracies, omissions, errors or misrepresentations.

d. The time schedule for project completion was misrepresented or has not been maintained.

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