Regional Flood Planning Contract Payment Request Webinar

Friday, September 24, 2021
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RFP Payment Request Webinar

Agenda Overview:

1. Introductions & Opening Comments
2. Overall Process
3. Payment Request Submissions
4. Eligible and Ineligible Expenses
5. Reminders
6. Questions

This presentation is intended to give a general overview of the RFP Payment Request process. It is not intended to be a comprehensive reference document. For full instructions and details, please see the RFP Contract Document executed between the RFPG Sponsor and the TWDB in your region.
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Payment Request Process

• Payment Request No. 1: Advance payment **20% of Committed Funds**.

• Subsequent Payment Requests with Eligible Expenses will be reimbursed up to **75% of the Committed Funds**.

• When **95% of Committed Funds** have been disbursed, continued submissions of Payment Requests with Eligible Expenses are reconciled to the first 20% Advance payment.

• Then final **5% of Committed Funds** (Retainage) will be withheld by TWDB and released upon project completion.

Reference Section II, Article IV, (H) – (K) of the Contract.
Payment Request Submission

**Schedule:** A minimum of quarterly.

Submit all payment requests to invoice@twdb.texas.gov and cc: your Contract Manager.

**4 required components:**
- A. Payment Request Checklist
- B. Detailed Spreadsheets (including Invoice and Task ledgers)
- C. Supporting Documentation (Invoices, etc.)
- D. Written Progress Report
Getting started...

- Download the **Current Reimbursement** template excel file from: https://www.twdb.texas.gov/about/contract_admin

- Required components A. **Payment Request Checklist and B. Detailed Spreadsheets (including Invoice and Task ledger)** are tabs on this spreadsheet.
A. Payment Request Checklist

- **Payment Request**: The first reimbursement payment request you submit will be Payment Request No. 2. The first payment was the advance.

- **Billing Period**: The actual date range the work was performed.

- **Requested Amount**: Should list full amount of eligible expenses. *Note: Do not subtract retainage. Retainage is withheld at the end of contract cycle*

*Please remember to sign before submitting*
B. Detailed Spreadsheets (Invoice & Task Ledger)

• Contractors must provide the breakdown amounts of their expenses by Expense & Task Budget categories, as shown in Exhibit B of Contract.

• Task = **WHAT** is being done (i.e., Existing Flood Risk Analyses)

• Expense = **HOW** it’s done (i.e., Salaries/Wages, Other, Travel)

• The **TOTAL AMOUNT** requested must be consistent in each document (payment request checklist, invoice ledger, task ledger, invoices)
B. Invoice Ledger

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<th>Date</th>
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<th>Requested Amount</th>
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**Invoice No.:**
- Subcontractors must provide the breakdown amounts of their Expense Budget line items by each invoice.

**Budget Sub-Category:**
- These categories must align with the expense budget categories in the contract with TWDB and in the subcontract between Sponsor and consultant.
- The Planning Group Sponsor can only bill expenses under “Other expenses” per Exhibit B.
B. Task Ledger

- **TWDB Task No:** Expenses for each task should be on separate rows. Must align with Task Nos. in TWDB Contract.
C. Supporting Documentation

- **Summary Table**: Percent and cost of each task completed.

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<th>Task</th>
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<th>Percent Complete</th>
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<td>Adoption of Plan and Public Participation</td>
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**Contract Fee**: $856,738.00 1.89%  $16,220.36  

Gross Amount This Invoice: $16,220.36  
Less Retainage This Invoice (5%): $811.02  
Net Amount Due This Invoice: $15,409.34
C. Supporting Documentation

• **Invoices:** Must provide invoices from Subcontractor (Consultant) to Contractor for work being requested for reimbursement.
  – DO send summary information of hours/staff worked
  – DO NOT send detailed timesheets
C. Supporting Documentation

• Appropriate backup documents must be provided for direct & travel expenses for Sponsors (Contractors), Technical Consultants (Sub-contractor), and sub-subcontractors.

• Transparency of State Travel Expenses — the more details you provide us, the better!
  – Gov’t Code Sec. 660.007 “Conservation of Funds” — this is the basis for all State travel expense reimbursement

• TWDB requests itemized meal receipts & mileage documentation (Google Maps or odometer readings)

• Reimbursed at current rate for state employees, found at: https://fmx.cpa.texas.gov/fmx/travel/textravel/

• Progress Reports should detail why travel was appropriate
Voting Member Travel

2 Voting Planning Member Travel Expenses is defined as eligible mileage expenses incurred by regional flood planning members that cannot be reimbursed by any other entity, planning group sponsor, etc. as certified by the voting member. Travel expenses are available only for attendance at a posted meeting of the RFPG unless the travel is specifically authorized by the RFPG and EA. The reimbursed amount is limited to the maximum amounts authorized for state employees by the General Appropriations Act, Tex. Leg. Regular Session, 2019, Article IX, Part 5, as amended or superseded.

Regional Flood Planning Grant Contract, Exhibit B
Planning Group Sponsor Expenses

- Sponsors (Contractors) can only bill to Task 10 in Task Budget and “Other Expenses” in Expense Budget
- Eligible costs include:

  e) The Planning Group Sponsor’s personnel costs for the staff hours that are directly spent providing, preparing for, and posting public notice for RFPG meetings, including labor, fringe, overhead, and other expenses for their support of and attendance at such RFPG meetings, in accordance with, and as specifically limited by, the flood planning grant contract with the Board. This may not exceed: $5,000 per regular RFPG meeting nor a total of $60,000 over the first planning cycle.
Reminder: Certification of Administrative Expenses

• **Title 31 TAC §361.72(b)** requires that the **RFPG or its Chairperson certifies, during a public meeting, that certain administrative costs** are eligible for reimbursement and are correct and necessary
  – Includes travel expenses for RFPG members or Sponsor staff, a Sponsor’s direct costs such as website or postage fees, and Sponsor’s personnel costs.
  – DOES NOT include the technical consultant’s expenses under Task 10.

• Obtain certification prior to submitting the reimbursement payment request to TWDB.

*Provide certification date under Task 10 in the progress report.*
# Ineligible Expenses

Ineligible Expenses as described in 31 TAC § 361.72(a) include, but are not limited to:

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<td>Activities for which the Board determines existing information, data, or analyses are sufficient for the planning effort</td>
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<td>Activities directly related to the preparation of applications for state or federal permits or other approvals, activities associated with administrative or legal proceedings by regulatory agencies, and preparation of engineering plans and specifications:</td>
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<td>Compensation for the time or expenses of RFPGs members’ service on or for the RFPG</td>
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<td>Costs of administering the RFPG, other than those explicitly allowed under 31 TAC § 361.72(b)</td>
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<td>Staff or overhead costs for time spent providing public notice and meetings, including time and expenses for attendance at such meetings;</td>
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<td>Costs for training;</td>
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<td>Costs of developing an application for funding or reviewing materials developed due to this grant;</td>
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<td><strong>Costs of administering the regional flood planning grant and associated contracts:</strong></td>
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<td>Analysis or other activities related to planning for disaster response or recovery activities; and</td>
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<td>Analyses of benefits and costs of FMSs beyond the scope of such analyses that is specifically allowed or required by regional flood planning guidance to be provided by the EA unless the RFPG demonstrates to the satisfaction of the EA that these analyses are needed to determine the selection of the FMS or FMP.</td>
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<td>Labor, reproduction, or distribution of newsletters;</td>
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<td>Food, drink, or lodging for Regional Flood Planning Group members (including tips and alcoholic beverages);</td>
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<td>Purchase, rental, or depreciation of equipment (e.g., computers, copiers, fax machines);</td>
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<td>General purchases of office supplies not documented as consumed directly for the planning process; and</td>
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<td>Costs associated with social events or tours.</td>
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D. Progress Report

• Submit **ONE** progress report for entire billing period along with payment request.

• Must contain:
  – Statement of overall progress made *since last progress report* for each task item.
  – Any problems encountered and description of any actions taken to correct problems

• TWDB will be checking for consistency between % task billed and % tasks completed in progress report
Reminder: Budget Modifications

• Work with your TWDB Planner (Contract Manager) to request a **budget memorandum** for modifications to the task or expense budget.

• Without a budget memorandum:
  – Flexibility to exceed any task or expense category up to 35%.
  – Must not exceed total amount of the subcontract.

• If modification exceeds **35%** of any task or expense category, **RFPG approval** is required.
Reminder: Subcontractor Proof of Payment

*Proof of Payment is not required, but subcontractors must be paid before submitting reimbursement request*
Reminder: Interest Earned

• Advances must be deposited into a separate interest-bearing account.

• Interest Earned does not need to be reported on the Payment Request forms.

• At the end of contract, TWDB will contact Sponsors (Contractors) for confirmation of the total earned amount of interest.

• Earned interest will be subtracted from total TWDB share.

• Bank Statements are not required unless the TWDB requests them.
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