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Nope, never had this issue before.

I am not sure if they can approve after the fact, but even if they did, then do they need to approve all VE items? This could get very, very complicated.

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Good evening –

As an update on this:

I heard back from Cheryl Barnes from USDA.

“Yes, BABA does apply but Davis-Bacon does not.

Typically, formal bidding is done after environmental review, underwriting and obligation of funds. Rural Development is heavily involved in the bidding process, and we must approve the bid package that goes out. Bill Siemerling oversees this (planning, bidding, and construction).

Maybe you are seeking funding from another source, if that is the case then Rural Development won't be concerned with that.”

So. I was not aware that if we were going to go through USDA, we would need to do things on their schedule and with oversight from Mr. Siemerling. It seems like this funding source can not be utilized for this project. Ellen, were you aware of this??

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Thank you!

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Good Afternoon,

Great meeting with you all this morning. This was the correspondence from HUD in reference from another project. May be worth looking into.

BABA Applicability

- I'm attaching the BABA FAQs just for your reference, but in short: The BAP does **not** apply to FY2022 and FY2023 CPF Grants since they were legally obligated prior to February 22, 2024. This is an FY23 grant so does not apply to your project.



The BAP does not apply to FY2022 and FY2023 CPF grants, which were legally obligated upon Congressional enactment prior to February 22, 2024. Consistent with HUD's Phased Implementation waiver, if the FY2024 appropriations bill is enacted prior to February 22, 2024, the BAP will not apply to FY2024 CPF grants.

Davis-Bacon

Davis-Bacon and Related Acts compliance is NOT a condition or requirement for CPF funds. As I mentioned, it may be required if the project is also supported by other funds requiring adherence.

Thanks

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