



OWEB Drought Relief Grant Program – Klamath Off-Channel Livestock Watering

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 the Drought Relief Grant Program – Klamath Off-Channel Livestock Watering and are 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.

Budget Differences from “Regular” OWEB Grants

Expenses for eligible costs and activities will be retroactive to July 1, 2021. All receipt requirements remain the same as for other OWEB grants.

Contingencies up to 25% are allowed on the subtotal of contracted services and up to 25% on the subtotal of Materials and Supplies. Contingencies exceeding this must be discussed with OWEB staff and will require OWEB Fiscal approval.

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.

Wells will be reimbursed for all drilling costs per operating well. Only wells for livestock water are allowed; any irrigation or domestic wells will not be reimbursed.

Equipment purchase is allowed; however, equipment purchase expenses will be evaluated for necessity to project outcomes. For example, wireless monitoring equipment may be considered as an eligible cost to ensure pump reliability, but a justification will be required to document the need.

Equipment rental 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.

Solar power or electrical hookups are eligible costs. Quotes are required to determine the most cost-effective approach.

Landowner materials, supplies, labor, or equipment time for the grant are eligible costs.

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.

Post-grant costs are allowed up to \$3,500. Post-implementation status reporting will be required annually for five years.

Billing

Grantees are required to bill OWEB at a minimum quarterly. Billing more frequent than quarterly is allowed. Quarterly billing also will include required quarterly reporting.