

**Office of Chief Financial Officer, USDA**

**§ 3015.152**

possible. The awarding agency, however, shall allow full credit to the recipient for the Federal share of the non-cancellable obligations properly incurred by the recipient prior to termination.

**§ 3015.125 Applicability to subgrants.**

Recipient subgrants shall be subjected to the same standards regarding closeout, suspension, and termination of subgrants as prescribed in this subpart for awarding agencies.

**Subparts O–P [Reserved]**

**Subpart Q—Application for Federal Assistance**

**§ 3015.150 Scope and applicability.**

(a) This subpart prescribes forms and instructions to be used by governmental organizations (except hospitals, non-profit organizations, and institutions of higher education operated by a government) in applying to USDA for discretionary grants. This subpart is not applicable, however, to mandatory or formula grants or programs which do not require applicants to apply to USDA for funds on a project basis.

(b) This subpart permits awarding agencies to prescribe the form of applications by nongovernmental organizations (including hospitals, non-profit organizations and institutions of higher education operated by a government), but prescribes the use of a standard facesheet for certain of these applications.

(c) This subpart applies only to applications for grants or cooperative agreements and is not required to be applied by recipients in dealing with applicants for subgrants. However, recipients are encouraged not to adopt more detailed or burdensome application requirements for subgrants.

(d) This subpart also prescribes standards for competition to be used by USDA agencies in awarding discretionary cooperative agreements and grants. (This subpart is not applicable to cooperative agreements awarded pursuant to the provisions of sections 1472(b) and 1473C of the National Agricultural Research, Extension and

Teaching Policy Act of 1977, as amended.)

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**§ 3015.151 Authorized forms.**

(a) Sections 3015.152 through 3015.156 specify the forms that governmental organizations shall use to apply to USDA for a discretionary grant.

(b) Governments need not submit more than the original and two copies of application forms. When less will suffice, the awarding agency shall notify potential applicants.

(c) When a government agency amends a previously submitted application or applies for additional funding (such as a continuation or supplemental award) only the facesheet and any other affected pages are required to be submitted. Previously submitted pages whose information is still current may be resubmitted, but are not required to be resubmitted.

**§ 3015.152 Preapplication for Federal assistance.**

(a) When a government submits a preapplication, it shall use the Preapplication for Federal Assistance form prescribed by Circular A-102. The purposes of these preapplications shall be to:

(1) Establish communication between the potential applicant and the awarding agency;

(2) Determine the potential applicant's eligibility;

(3) Identify projects which have little or no chance for Federal funding before applicants incur significant costs for preparing an application.

(b) Preapplication is always required if the potential applicant is a government and the proposed project (1) is for construction, land acquisition, or land development, and (2) would require more than \$100,000 of Federal funding. If these conditions are not present, potential applicants need not submit preapplications unless required to do so by the awarding agency. Any government may submit a preapplication even when not required.