# 800 - Sponsor Certification

<u>Title 49, United States Code, section 47105(d)</u>, authorizes the Secretary of Transportation to require certification from the sponsor that that attests they will comply with statutory and administrative requirements in carrying out a project under the Airport Improvement Program (AIP). The FAA has established specific certifications for critical phases of an AIP funded project. Collection of this information falls under OMB control number 2120-0569.

### **Purpose of Certification**

Sponsor certifications serve as a means to focus the sponsor's attention on critical obligations and responsibilities of the sponsor for various phases within an AIP project. These certifications should enhance a sponsor's knowledge of their obligations as well as ensure their compliance with their obligations.

Sponsor certifications do not establish the actually obligations of a Sponsor. Acceptance of the grant agreement and the associated grant assurances establish the requirements and obligations addressed by a sponsor certification. The terms and conditions of the grant agreement, including the grant assurances, serve as the legal binding document that obligates the sponsor to AIP policies, regulations and standards.

### **Completing the Certification**

Each certification statement contains response options within the text of the statement that require action from the authorized person making the certification. The Sponsor must make a choice my circling the appropriate response or lining through the incorrect response. If a "No" box is checked, the sponsor must provide an explanation for the negative response. The FAA project manager will return incomplete certifications to the sponsor for corrective action.

## FAA Responsibilities

Although the FAA may rely on a sponsor certification as a measure of assurance that addresses sponsor compliance with their obligations, the acceptance of a sponsor certification does not preclude the FAA from reviewing appropriate documentation for the purpose of validating the certification. The FAA retains the authority to conduct thorough reviews of sponsor's documentation to verify the accuracy of the certification.

#### **False Certifications**

Sponsors should apply appropriate diligence in completing each certification statement. Certifications deemed false or incorrect can result in the FAA declaring associated costs ineligible under the AIP.

### **RESOURCES**

### **Development/Equipment**

• Consultant Selection: MS Word | pdf

Equipment/Construction Contract: MS Word | pdf

Final Acceptance - Construction: MS Word | pdf

Final Acceptance - Equipment: MS Word | pdf

• Plans & Specifications: MS Word | pdf

#### **Grant Application**

• Certificate of Title: MS Word | pdf

Drug-Free Certification: MS Word | pdf

Title VI Civil Rights: MS Word | pdf

#### Land Acquisition

Real Property Acquisition: MS Word | pdf

• Certificate of Title: MS Word | pdf

• Environmental Site Assessment: MS Word | pdf