

9210.0170 LIMITATIONS.

Subpart 1. **Maximum grant award.** The maximum grant award is 25 percent of the eligible capital costs of the project or \$2,000,000, whichever is less, unless the project is a recycling project or a project to compost or cocompost waste. A recycling project or a project to compost or cocompost waste may receive grant assistance up to 50 percent of the capital cost of the project or \$2,000,000, whichever is less.

Subp. 1a. **Reduced grant award.** The commissioner may award a grant for less than the maximum grant amount. The commissioner shall ask an applicant to document the impacts of reduced grant assistance before reducing the amount of a grant award. The commissioner shall only reduce the amount of a grant award under the following conditions:

A. program resources are insufficient to provide full assistance to all applicants that are awarded grants by the commissioner;

B. the cost figures provided in the final grant application are significantly higher than the cost figures in the preliminary grant application without a change in the project scope approved by the commissioner under part 9210.0140, subpart 2, to justify the higher cost; or

C. the commissioner determines that the applicant has not adequately demonstrated financial need for the full grant amount.

Subp. 2. **Limitations on grant award.** The amount of the commissioner's grant award shall be limited to an amount needed to complete the project considering all the sources of funding presently available to the applicant.

Grants shall not be awarded to cover any cost associated with tasks performed before the execution of the grant agreement or after the expiration of the grant agreement.

Subp. 3. **Limitations on disbursement of funds.** No grant funds shall be disbursed until the commissioner has:

A. determined the total estimated cost of the project;

B. ascertained that financing of the project cost is assured by the recipient; and

C. received commitments from the recipient to implement the project.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 115A.06; 115A.49 to 115A.54*

History: *11 SR 432; 12 SR 847; 15 SR 839; L 2005 1Sp1 art 2 s 161*

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