

**The email below tells of the changes to the ESG agreement.**

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**Subject:** ESG COVID -19 Grant Awards - Questions To Procurement Regarding Grant Agreement

**Importance:** High

Good morning,

I'm writing to give you an update on where we are with the ESG COVID-19 funding and to address questions that you have asked the procurement team and/or the ESG Team.

**Question:** What will be the start date for the ESG COVID-19 funding? The agreement states October 1.

**Response:** We discussed this on yesterday and it has been determined that the Start date for the COVID-19 program can be September 1, provided you have received an email from Lorie Williams advising that all activities have been completed for you to start and that you have provided all information to the Procurement Team. There are some agencies with vendor number issues. No one has received the email from Lorie Williams as of this date. If you have signed an October 1 agreement, an amended one will be resubmitted to you for signature.

**Question:** The end date on the agreement is for one year instead of two.

**Response:** Because we don't know the exact end date, we set it up initially for one year. We will be amending to extend for two years once we know the exact end date. No worries!

**Question:** Can I apply for the second round ESG funding for a component that I have currently been approved for. We need additional funding in that component

**RESPONSE:** No. If, after the second round has been allocated, funding is still available, agencies will be notified and can make a request at that time. The amount awarded will depend on the available amount.

**Question:** The budget we are receiving from procurement to sign with the agreement is different from the one we returned to OCS. We made revisions. Do I still need to sign the agreement?

**Response:** You should sign the agreement. As you are aware, we are giving you the opportunity to revise your budget. If you do make a revision, we will send the revised budget to the procurement team for their records.

Please share this with all appropriate staff. In addition, please note that there were several questions asked during the training. We are working on those and will be sending out this week. Thank you.



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