Uniform Guidance & F&A Waiver

.  Uniform Guidance (2 CFR 200) for federal funds requires that pass-through entities must accept a subrecipient’s federally negotiated F&A/indirect cost rate.  ISU projects sponsored by the pass-through entities of Federal funds, including the State of Iowa agency sponsors, will require an F&A (IDC) waiver if ISU’s federally negotiated rate is not used.

Projects sponsored by State of Iowa agencies without Federal flow-through dollars will still be permitted to use an 8% F&A/indirect cost rate, per the exception to the waiver process found on the VPR’s website (<http://www.vpresearch.iastate.edu/en/policies/facilities__administrative_costs_indirect_costs/>).  Pass-through entities of Federal funds are now required to identify that funding includes Federal sources when issuing awards.

When ISU’s federally negotiated rate is not used and an exception does not exist, an F&A (IDC) waiver will be required at the proposal stage if it is known that Federal funds are involved.  If the Federal funding is not identified until the award negotiation stage, the F&A (IDC) waiver will be required before the award is executed by ISU.