Project Establishment Form Instructions

A Project Establishment Form needs to be completed and sent to Accounting & Financial Reporting Services (AFRS) under the following scenarios:

- Scope of work is $100,000 or more for construction, renovation, repair, or replacement
- Scope of work is $400,000 or more for computer software
- A piece of equipment to be purchased is $200,000 or more
- A piece of fabricated equipment to be constructed will be $5,000 or more

Section 1: Project Information

- **Project Title** – Name of the project. If the project has a scope of $1,000,000 or more or is an equipment purchase of $200,000 or more, it requires Legislative Authority. When this occurs, the title of the project should include what was presented to the State Legislature in the budget bill or the Biennium Budget. An easily identifiable short name may be used as long as the authorized project title is included.
  - Examples: Renovate/Expand University Student Center (authorized title listed in Budget is straightforward), Nutter Football Training Facility-Renovate Academic/Administrative Space I (identifiable short name and authorized title)

- **Start Date** – Expected date the project will begin.

- **End Date** – Expected date the project will be complete.

- **Location**
  - **Building Name** – Name of the building in which the project will be done. If this is a new building, please provide the proposed site location address.
  - **Building Number** – Four digit number of the building in which the project will be done. If this is a new building, this field should be left blank. Building numbers can be obtained from the following links:
    - Capital Assets Accounting list: [http://www.uky.edu/ufs/capital-assets-accounting](http://www.uky.edu/ufs/capital-assets-accounting)
  - **Room Number** – Room number(s) in which the project will be done.

- **Business Area** – Four digit code that identifies a reporting entity within UK.
  - Most projects on campus are 0101-UK w/o component units
  - All others may be selected from the drop-down menu

- **Functional Area** – Four digit code used in FI to define the academic or support programs represented by this project.
  - Most projects on campus are 1060-Other Maintenance & Operation Expense
  - Hospital and Auxiliary Enterprises may differ, select from the drop-down menu

- **Department Number** – Five digit code designating the academic or support unit.
  - Example: 8Z560 (Student Center)
• **Responsible Person** – Name of the contact for project issues. Commonly associated with the Budget Officer responsible for the department in which the project will be created.

• **Responsible Cost Center** – Departmental capital cost/funds center beginning with 1412- for all areas except Athletics and Chandler Hospital. If unknown, search SAP t-code ZFI_COBJ by department number. Some departments may need to use a higher, unit-level number.
  - Example: 1412103800 (Student Ctr Cap CC)

• **Requesting Cost Center** – Cost center derived from the area performing the work to create or approve orders. A cost center is required even if the project is funded by a grant.
  - Campus Physical Plant Division (PPD) – 1043801050
  - Capital Project Management Division (CPMD) – 1043800150
  - Medical Center Physical Plant Division (MCPPD) – 1043800470
  - Information Technology Services (ITS) – use cost center funding the project
  - Vendor/Ag Facilities Management/Other – use cost center funding the project

• **Work to be performed** – Describe the physical work to be done in this project (i.e. the space features desired). **Do not** use this section to describe why the project is needed. This should detail what the project is in terms of walls, doors, floors, lighting, power, ventilation, special equipment, plumbing, etc. Equipment should list what is being purchased/fabricated.

• **Space Classification** – Select Yes or No based on whether the current space will be modified for a different use. If yes, provide a brief explanation.
  - Examples: lab space to office space, office space to classroom space, lobby space to dining room, etc.

• **Upgrade** – Select Yes or No based on whether the renovation, new item, etc. is an upgrade when compared to what currently exists. This does not include exact replacements that are only new. If yes, provide a brief explanation.
  - Maintenance/repair/replacement – Typically routine work that is usually, but not always, relatively lower cost and does not add value to the overall structure above and beyond what the original function of the material being repaired/replaced contributed. These are expensed.
    - Example: replacing an old, failing shingle roof with a new shingle roof (this provides better functionality because it is new and doesn't leak like the old one, but there is no new or additional functionality)
  - Upgrade/improvement – may include replacement of equipment or material, but the replacement provides additional functionality that the original did not provide. Additional value is added to the overall structure above and beyond that which was contributed to the original equipment or material. These are capitalized.
    - Examples: failing standard shingle roof is replaced by a new roof that has solar panels integrated as part of the new structure, where the solar panels provide a substantial upgrade/improvement (new functionality) over the original roof; additional features; more capacity; etc.
• **Justification** – Provide a brief summary supporting why the project is needed. This should include, but is not limited to, the following: a tie-in with the University's Strategic Plan or other stated institutional goals; if applicable or available, how the project fits into the University’s Physical Development Plan and a proposed site; a summary of any benchmark study (include the benchmarks studied, the author(s) of the study, and how the findings of that study support this project); any program growth, change, etc. that supports this project; a description of the suitability of the space for housing the current program; a description of the condition of the current space; and any other pertinent information.

• **Legislative Authority** – Must have prior approval if the below thresholds are met. Provide all supporting documentation (i.e. Board of Trustees approval). Contact the appropriate Area Fiscal Officer for questions.
  - Scope of work is $1,000,000 or more for construction, renovation, etc.
  - A piece of equipment to be purchased or fabricated is $200,000 or more (Provost and VPR areas should submit a Major Equipment Purchase form for requests without authority to the appropriate Area Fiscal Officer; UKHC areas should submit a new Capital Request on the Finance Portal)

**Section 2: Estimate/Funding Information**

• **Estimate/Funding** – Enter the estimate amount/scope and the amount funded in the line that corresponds with the area performing the work. Supporting documentation must be provided and match the information entered.

• **Approval Signatures** – Obtain the necessary approval signatures as follows:
  1. Signature of Department Head
  2. Signature of Dean/Unit Head
  3. Signature of Area Fiscal Officer based on department number, as follows:
     - Begins with 1, 3, or 9 – Anthony Russell, Brad West, Roxanne McLetchie
     - Begins with 4 – Judy Duncan
     - Begins with 7 or 8 – Angel Reed, Gus Miller
     - Begins with H or M – Teresa Centers
     - Other acceptable signatures – Mary Vosevich, Angie Martin, Eric Monday

**Section 3: WBS Element Information**

*For AFRS use only unless department has information available*

• **Project Definition** – Completed by AFRS.

• **WBS Element** – Completed by AFRS or CPMD.

• **Project Name** – Automatically populates from Section 1.

• **Business Area** – Automatically populates from Section 1.

• **Functional Area** – Automatically populates from Section 1.

• **Project Purpose** – Select the appropriate classification from the drop-down menu.

• **Source Code** – Based on source(s) funding the project. Select from the drop-down menu.
- **Discipline (CIP)** – Completed by AFRS.

- **Department** – Automatically populates from Section 1.

- **Project Status** – Based on the status of the project. Select from the drop-down menu. Commonly used statuses are as follows:
  - 05 (In Design) – Design phases
  - 07 (In Construction) – CPMD projects
  - 08 (In-House Force Work) – PPD projects and equipment

- **Building Number** – Automatically populates from Section 1.

- **Construction in Process** – Completed by AFRS. This field determines whether the project will be capitalized to the building or expensed.

- **IP Fund Number** – Completed by AFRS.

- **Mission Supported** – Similar to Functional Area, select based on purpose and function of the area/building that the project is being performed. Select from the drop-down menu.

- **Responsible Person** – Automatically populates from Section 1.

- **Responsible Cost Center** – Automatically populates from Section 1.

- **Requesting Cost Center** – Automatically populates from Section 1.

- **Start Date** – Automatically populates from Section 1.

- **End Date** – Automatically populates from Section 1.

- **Legislative Authority** – Completed by AFRS. Provide documentation only.

- **Legislative Authority Date** – Completed by AFRS, based on documentation.

- **Board Date** – Completed by AFRS, based on documentation.

- **Project Fund Number** – Completed by AFRS.

### Submission

- The following items must be submitted with the signed Project Establishment Form:
  - Detailed estimates of work to be performed or vendor quotes
  - A one-sided JV debiting the cost center(s) with GL 755030 to fund the project (not required if funded by grant, must provide grant number and ensure proper budget)
  - Documentation or correspondence of Legislative Authority

- Please send all completed paperwork to Accounting & Financial Reporting Services (371 Peterson Service Building).

- For questions, please contact the appropriate facilities division or Area Fiscal Officer.