



ED-900D – Requirements for Design and Engineering Assistance

When the primary purpose of the EDA investment is to accomplish only the design and engineering work required for the construction of a complex or environmentally sensitive public works or development facility project, this form must be completed. Note: EDA will award grants for design and engineering work **only** when there is a reasonable expectation that construction of the project can and will begin soon after the completion of design and engineering. EDA's funding of the project for the design and engineering work does not in any way obligate EDA to fund construction of the project. See 13 C.F.R. § 305.4.

1. Describe the components of the project for which the design and engineering work will be accomplished.

2. Explain the reasons why such work needs to be accomplished separately from the project's construction phase. For example, describe the highly specialized features or complex or environmentally sensitive nature of the project such that design and engineering work must be completed to determine the project's feasibility or to ensure that all required permits and approvals by State or federal regulatory authorities (e.g., the Environmental Protection Agency) can be obtained in the most effective and efficient manner possible.

3. Describe the proposed method of financing and funding sources that will be used to finance the construction of the project upon completion of the design and engineering work, including commitments made, if any, for the project's permanent financing and the likelihood that EDA or another federal assistance agency will be requested to provide funds for the construction of the project. Note: EDA is not authorized to obligate a future fiscal year's appropriation and so cannot commit to fund any future construction.

4. Estimate how many months will be required after the design and engineering work is completed for the project's construction phase to begin. Note: Even if the proposed project can be constructed in phases, the design and engineering work must be completed before construction can begin.

