

Appendix A: Considerations for Infrastructure, Building and Renovation Projects

Adherence to all NYS regulations and processes is required of all funded projects. It is the responsibility of the applicant to ensure that their business and proposed project will comply with all State and local laws and regulations. The goal of this document is to help applicants begin to identify the regulations that may apply to their projects. Overall, applicants should consider the following:

Business licenses or permits

Many business activities require permits or licenses to operate. If the proposed project is for an activity that is new to your business, make sure to research if any licenses or permits are required for the activity. These permits could range from 20-C processing licenses to aquaculture permits, farm dealer permits, warehouse storage permits and more. If the business is not operating under a federal license, there may be permits from State agencies that should be in place.

Review the lists on the following web pages to learn more.

AGM <https://agriculture.ny.gov/business/licensing-registration>

DEC. <https://dec.ny.gov/regulatory/permits-licenses>

Project specific permits.

Applicants should learn if there are any permits, zoning codes or other regulations that should be considered when planning a project.

Work with your local municipality or county to make sure that the proposed project is aligned with land use regulation and zoning codes.

Work with the Soil and Water Conservation District to understand any environmental regulation that may govern your activity and determine if any environmental permits will be required for your project. More information can be found here: [SWCD Offices](#)

Ensure your building project complies with all NYS Department of State [Building Standards and Codes](#). Contractors are likely to be familiar with these requirements.

Projects on Leased Land

Proposals may be submitted for infrastructure, building and renovation projects on leased land. It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that the landowner is in full agreement with any proposed improvements and that the intended use of the land any building complies with all State and local code requirements. Projects that will be implemented on leased land, must provide documentation for the landowners support and have a lease in place at the start of the grant period that will not expire until 5 years after the project's completion.

REMINDERS

- All projects must be able to be completed within the specified timeframe.
- All work must be performed by licensed contractors.