# Mississippi State University Mississippi Agricultural & Forestry Experiment Station (MAFES) Recovery of Facilities and Administrative Costs

## PURPOSE

The purpose of this standard operating procedure is to provide guidance for MAFES in the recovery of facilities and administrative (F&A) costs. This guidance is intended to work in tandem with MSU policy 80.12 "Distribution of Recovered Facilities and Administrative Costs" (http://www.policies.msstate.edu/policypdfs/8012.pdf).

### BACKGROUND

Management of facilities and administrative (F&A) costs is vital to success of the MAFES sponsored research programs. All contracts and grants should cover F&A costs, and therefore include the maximum recoverable amount of F&A. Federally approved F&A rates vary in relation to type and location of sponsored activity.

Federally approved maximum allowable F&A rates for FY 2022 - FY 2025 are:

- Research on campus 46.50%
- Research off campus 26.00%
- Instruction on campus 48.00%
- Instruction off campus 26.00%
- All other sponsored activities on campus 32.0%
- All other sponsored activities off campus 26.0%

**CURRENT F & A Rates may be found at** https://www.controller.msstate.edu/cas/casex/facilities

### GUIDANCE

Maximum allowable F&A is *either* the MSU full negotiated F&A rate *or* the full rate allowed (capped) by the sponsor. Budgets for all grants, contracts and cooperative agreements must reflect the maximum allowable F&A, and when recovered at the maximum allowable rate, will be shared between administration and the generating department.

Negotiation of an F&A recovery at less than the maximum rate will be reflected as a reduction of the department's share of F&A recovered. Any further reduction requires approval of administration prior to submission of the internal approval sheet (IAS).

### Only the Director has the authority to waive F&A or accept a reduced F&A rate.

F&A cost recovery from General and Specific Memoranda of Agreement is covered under separate guidance.

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