



Incentive Agreement

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Irrigation Project:

Irrigation Season:

Requester's Name:

Legal description of the assessable acres owned/leased included under this waiver with unit / serial numbers:

Number of Irrigation Seasons (1 year to 3 years):

Purpose: This form is for requesting an Incentive Agreement which if approved, allows the BIA to waive the annual operation and maintenance (O&M) assessment for 1 to 3 years. For your land to be granted an Incentive Agreement, a landowner or lessee agrees to improve idle lands and BIA determines that it is in the best interest of BIA's irrigation facility (see 25 CFR §171.610 - 615). The Incentive Agreement concept was created to encourage landowners, lessees, and potential lessees to make improvements to idle lands within BIA irrigation projects, ultimately increasing the value of the land and economic benefit to the owner(s). These lands typically are not (or cannot be) irrigated, and are still Presently Assessable (PA) or in Temporarily Non-Assessable status (TNA).

Instructions: Return this completed form to your local Irrigation Office. Please attach additional relevant documentation (including photos). This waiver application must be received by BIA at least 90 days prior to the beginning of the irrigation season and must include a detailed plan to improve idle lands (25 CFR 171.610) for which you are requesting the Incentive Agreement. In order to be eligible for an Incentive Agreement, your Taxpayer Identification Number (SSN or EIN) must be on file.

Specific improvements to the lands (Attach additional pages as needed):

Detailed Description of Improvements Including Costs to Idle Lands:

Detailed Time Schedule of Improvements:

Section 2

Detailed Time Schedule for Water Delivery During Improvements:

Justification for Use of Irrigation Water During the Improvement Period:

If approved, I am certifying that I shall make the specific improvements to the lands as described below. I also understand that BIA may terminate this Agreement if it determines that I am not complying with the terms and conditions described in this Agreement.

Requester's Name:

Signature:

Date:

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Description of Improvements to BIA Irrigation Infrastructure (To Be Completed By BIA):

BIA Signatures and Approvals

Project Manager/Engineer: Recommend Not Recommend

Signature: _____ Date _____

Regional Irrigation Engineer: Concur Non Concur

Signature: _____ Date _____

Agency Superintendent: Approve Disapprove

Signature: _____ Date _____

Please indicate reason for denial in Remarks below.

For Irrigation Project Processing Only

1. Posted in NIIMS? Yes No
2. Assigned Assessment Waiver Number:
3. Date Waiver Approved (Month Day, Year):
4. Water Service Delivery:

Unit/Serial	Year 1		Year 2		Year 3	
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No

5. Maximo Asset ID(s):
6. Remarks:

Instructions for Incentive Agreement Package

Water User

Questions regarding this form should be directed to your local Irrigation Program staff. The completed form should be returned to Irrigation Program staff along with supporting documentation.

Irrigation Project Staff

The following items shall be included in the Incentive Agreement package.

- 1) A copy of the current O&M bill that clearly identifies the specific tract of land being considered for the Incentive Agreement, including the legal description and/or the Unit/Serial numbers for that tract.
- 2) A copy of a map and/or aerial photo that shows the location(s) of land deficiencies hindering BIA's ability to deliver service.
- 3) A copy of any documentation (current or prior year's work order(s)) requests for infrastructure repair/rehabilitation, if applicable.
- 4) A copy of documentation from site visits, historic information and/or current photos, reports, etc.
- 5) A NIIMS print screen of any cancellation of prior year O&M assessments due to inability to deliver water.
- 6) A copy of previous Annual Assessment Waivers for this same tract.

This package must be compiled and sent to the Regional Irrigation Engineer for concurrence prior to final review by the Superintendent.