



Defense and State Memorandum of Agreement

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Mission

The Defense and State Memorandum of Agreement (DSMOA) program was established pursuant to section 211 (B) of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA), enacted Oct. 17, 1986. The goal of the DSMOA program is to expedite environmental restoration at Department of Defense installations through enhanced partnerships with states, territories and the District of Columbia. These fostered partnerships improve communication, coordination and cooperation between states and DOD components and protect human health and the environment through environmental restoration at DOD installations in an expeditious and efficient manner in compliance with applicable state and federal laws and regulations. The DOD components participating in the DSMOA program include Department of the Army, Department of the Air Force, Department of the Navy, Defense Logistics Agency and Formerly Used Defense Sites (FUDS). There are 52 states and territories participating in the voluntary DSMOA program.

Purpose

All participating states and territories must have an original DSMOA agreement with the Department of Defense and then the DSMOA grants officer issues two-year Cooperative Agreements to provide them with financial assistance for their support of eligible DSMOA-related activities. The Cooperative Agreements allow the DSMOA program to reimburse states and territories for eligible regulatory services, such as technical review of documents, site visits, public participation support, Restoration Advisory Boards, identification and explanation of applicable, relevant and appropriate requirements and quality assurance/quality control sampling and analysis, which support the DOD in the execution of the Defense Environmental Restoration Programs (DERP) and Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) programs.

Funding for the Cooperative Agreements is provided through DERP and BRAC programs, and only those installations undergoing or planning to undergo environmental restoration in the DERP and BRAC programs are eligible for the DSMOA program. Installations conducting environmental activities funded through sources other than restoration dollars are not eligible for the DSMOA program. States and territories receive more than \$40 million annually to support eligible DSMOA-related missions. The Army is the designated lead agent for all DOD components, and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) is designated the Army's execution agent.

A virtual team consisting of representatives from the U.S. Army Engineering and Support Center, Huntsville's Environmental and Munitions Center of Expertise, Contracting Directorate, and Headquarters USACE provide project management and administration of the 52 current Cooperative Agreements. The team also provides financial and budget support related to DSMOA activities. The team acts as a liaison with the components and provides grants officer functions. Headquarters USACE maintains the overall program oversight and liaison with DOD.

For additional program information, visit the DSMOA portal at <https://dsmoa.usace.army.mil>.

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