



Great Lakes Fishery Commission

ESTABLISHED BY CONVENTION BETWEEN CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES TO IMPROVE AND PERPETUATE FISHERY RESOURCES

GREAT LAKES FISHERY COMMISSION and COUNCIL OF LAKE COMMITTEES POLICY ON PAYMENT OF INDIRECT COSTS AND OVERHEAD ON RESEARCH PROJECTS

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The Great Lakes Fishery Commission (Commission) is an international treaty organization established in 1955 by the Convention on Great Lakes Fisheries between Canada and the United States. The GLFC encourages the rehabilitation and protection of healthy aquatic ecosystems in the Great Lakes, manages a sea lamprey control program, and forges partnerships with the public, natural resources agencies, and other institutions.

The Commission is not a major grantor of research and funds only a small number of researchers each year. Payment of indirect costs and overhead seriously limits the amount of work that can be accomplished within this small program. The Commission's policy is to request cooperation from contractors in waiving indirect costs and overhead. If the contractor cannot accept these terms, overhead and indirect costs of up to 5% can be provided to secure projects that are of high priority.

Similarly, the Council of Lake Committees' (Council) policy is to request cooperation from contractors in waiving indirect costs and overhead for Restoration Act projects. Waived indirect costs may be used as part of the 25% non-federal match. If the contractor cannot accept these terms, the Council can provide overhead and indirect costs of up to 5% to secure projects that are of high priority.