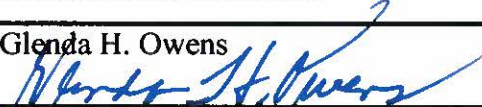
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1. **Purpose.** The Federal Assistance Manual (FAM) provides guidance to the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement (OSMRE) and recipients of financial assistance awards on how to manage Federal grants and cooperative agreements. The FAM is applicable to all grants and cooperative agreements awarded by OSMRE.
2. **Summary of Changes.** The changes in the FAM rescind the outdated National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) material identified in Chapter 4-160 –Environmental Compliance, update references to reflect the new OSMRE NEPA Handbook, and, address any NEPA-related content embedded in the program reviews for financial assistance awards (for example, clarifying and distinguishing the differences between the Authorization to Proceed (ATP) process and NEPA process). The FAM has been reorganized as annexes to ensure uniformity and timely updates.
3. **Definitions.** See the Definitions and Acronyms sections of the FAM.
4. **Policy.** OSMRE offices will use the FAM to manage all grants and cooperative agreements.
5. **Responsibilities.** See FAM Chapter 1-110, OSMRE Responsibilities for the Administration of Our Assistance Agreements.
6. **Procedures.** The FAM chapters provide specific procedures for application, award, amendment, monitoring, reporting, and closeout of OSMRE financial assistance agreements. The FAM provides specific guidance for Title V Coal Regulatory Administration and Enforcement grants, Title IV AML grants to uncertified states and to certified states and tribes, Watershed cooperative agreements, and Technical Studies Program Cooperative Agreements.
7. **Reporting Requirements.** See FAM Chapters 1-170, 4-230, 5-230, 6-230, and 7-230 for information on reporting requirements.
8. **Effect on Other Documents.** When issued, this version of Directive GMT-10 supersedes all previous versions and all subsequent Change Notices.
9. **References.**

- a. The Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977 (SMCRA)
 - b. Federal Grant and Cooperative Agreement Act (Public Law 95-224)
 - c. 2 CFR 200 – Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards
 - d. 30 CFR 700 – 887 – Mineral Resources
 - e. OSMRE NEPA Handbook
 - f. See FAM Chapters for more references
10. **Effective Date.** Upon issuance
11. **Distribution.** Electronically
12. **Appendices.** None
13. **Annexes.**
- a. Annex A: Table of Contents
 - b. Annex B: Definitions
 - c. Annex C: Acronyms, Abbreviations, and Initialisms
 - d. Annex D: FAM Part 1 - Requirements for All OSMRE Assistance Agreements
 - e. Annex E: FAM Part 2 - General Requirements for Federal Assistance
 - f. Annex F: FAM Part 3 - Allowable Costs
 - g. Annex G: FAM Part 4 - Abandoned Mine Land (AML) Grant Program
 - h. Annex H: FAM Part 5 - Regulatory Grant Program
 - i. Annex I: FAM Part 6 - Watershed Cooperative Agreement Program
 - j. Annex J: FAM Part 7 - Technical Studies Cooperative Agreement Programs

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