

**Facilities and Administrative Costs on Land Grant Related
Extension/Public Service Projects
Effective January 1, 2009**

College Park serves an important role as the Land Grant Institution for the State of Maryland. As the original 1862 Land Grant institution in Maryland, the University of Maryland plays a unique role in terms of leadership for the State of Maryland. Created by two federal laws known as the Morrill Acts of 1862 and 1890, Land Grant institutions received federal funds "to teach agriculture and the mechanical arts in order to promote the liberal and practical education of the industrial classes". Land Grant institutions were given a special role to serve the needs of society. As a result of this legislation, Land Grant institutions traditionally have focused on core programs in agricultural education and outreach to develop and expand our capacity to feed our nation and others, and on science, engineering, and technology to expand economic development.

To help facilitate the extension/outreach/public service component of our overall mission, grants that do not exceed a cumulative total of \$10,000 will have an automatic waiver of F&A. In order to be eligible for the waiver, these grants must have the following characteristics:

- ◆ Routed through ORAA (ORAA retains the final authority)
- ◆ Serves a public good and is community based
- ◆ No research component
- ◆ Specific land grant mission objective stated
- ◆ No associated subawards

This process will be reviewed and updated in one year.

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