

**Idaho Transportation Department (ITD) has completed the reevaluation period for previously certified Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) and Airport Concession Disadvantage Business Enterprises (ACDBE) firms based in Idaho.**

What does this mean for firms wanting to be in the DBE or ACDBE program?

- Firms that are certified as interstate (certified in a state that is not Idaho) can apply as a new interstate in the system (<https://itd.dbesystem.com/>) starting July 13, 2026.
  - Firms must include a letter showing they have been reevaluated by their home Jurisdiction of Certification (JOC) after October 3, 2025.
  - Firms must also include all NAICS codes they are certified in.
- Firms that are wishing to be certified as a DBE or ACDBE in Idaho, and the individual and business resides in Idaho, can begin to submit their applications starting on August 3, 2026.
  - Firms must include a personal narrative on how they have been socially and economically disadvantaged as noted in 49 CFR 26.67 (<https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-49/section-26.67>).
    - Workshop recording of how to write this is available on our website along with instructions at: <https://itd.idaho.gov/civil-rights/dbe-program/>
  - USDOT is in the process of updating the application document to meet the updated requirements. If the form has not been updated by the time you apply, you can disregard the part about race and gender on the form since it will not be factored into the decision.
- Previously certified DBE/ACDBE firms that are based in Idaho who have not submitted reevaluation documentations can still submit the 2025 Reevaluation application now.
  - Application is called “2025 Reevaluation” and needs to be submitted in the system (<https://itd.dbesystem.com/>).
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  - These firms will not show in the DBE directory until they complete the reevaluation and have been approved.

- Firms that do not submit the 2025 Reevaluation can be decertified from the program completely.

What does this mean for project specific goals?

- Projects that were awarded with a DBE goal prior to the program update on October 3, 2025, will continue with commitments to the firms they used to get the contract.
  - Removal of firms utilized to get the project must be approved by the Office of Civil Rights by completing the ITD-5555 DBE Commitment Change Form.
    - The reason for removal must meet the requirements outlined in 49 CFR 26.53(f) ([https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-49/part-26/section-26.53#p-26.53\(f\)](https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-49/part-26/section-26.53#p-26.53(f))).
- Project specific goals will be returning soon after an updated DBE Methodology has been completed.
  - The DBE Methodology will establish the overall goal for ITD to achieve. The goal will meet through contract goals and through neutral means, i.e., on their own without an established goal.
  - The DBE Methodology will be completed with an Availability Study which will start shortly and more information on this will be forthcoming.
- Firms that have been approved for the program can have their participation counted on ongoing and future projects.
  - All certified firms can be found in the ITD DBE Directory at <https://itd.dbesystem.com/> which is updated in real time.

Have more questions?

- Reach out to us at [civilrights@itd.idaho.gov](mailto:civilrights@itd.idaho.gov) for more information
- Want to know more about the change in the DBE/ACDBE program and what it was please check out the Intern Final Rule at <https://www.transportation.gov/mission/civil-rights/disadvantaged-business-enterprise/october-2025-interim-final-rule>.