

The Project is subject to Buy America Provisions:

- a) General. All steel products permanently incorporated into Federal-Aid projects shall be products that have been entirely manufactured within the United States. All manufacturing processes of the steel or iron material in a product (i.e., smelting and any subsequent process which alters the steel material's physical form or shape or changes its chemical composition) must occur within the United States to be considered of domestic origin. This includes processes such as rolling, extending, machining, bending, grinding, and drilling.
- b) Use of Foreign Material. This requirement does not prevent a minimal use of foreign materials, provided the cost of foreign materials used does not exceed 0.1 percent of the total Contract price or \$2,500, whichever is greater. The cost of foreign steel or iron is defined as its value delivered to the project.
- c) Coatings on Steel/Iron. In accordance with 23 CFR 635.410, iron has been added to the materials now subject to the Buy America requirements, and the action of applying a coating to a covered material (i.e. steel and iron) is now deemed a manufacturing process subject to Buy America. Coating includes epoxy coating, galvanizing, painting, and any other coating that protects or enhances the value of a material subject to requirements of Buy America. Buy America requirements of 23 CFR 635.410 are applicable to all Federal-Aid highway construction projects (NHS and non-NHS).