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Fiscal Year FY 2025-2026 Agency Budget Plan

FORM A - BUDGET PLAN SUMMARY

OPERATING	For FY 2025-2026, my agency is (mark "X"):		
REQUESTS	Requesting General Fund Appropriations.		
	Requesting Federal/Other Authorization		
(FORM B1)	X Not requesting any changes.		
NON BEGUBBING	P., EV 2026 2024		
NON-RECURRING	For FY 2025-2026, my agency is (mark "X"):		
REQUESTS	Requesting Non-Recurring Appropriations.		
	Requesting Non-Recurring Federal/Other Authorization		
(FORM B2)	X Not requesting any changes		
CAPITAL	For FY 2025-2026, my agency is (mark "X"):		
REQUESTS	Requesting funding for Capital Projects.		
	X Not requesting any changes		
(FORM C)			
PROVISOS	For FY 2025-2026, my agency is (mark "X"):		
TROVISOS	Requesting a new proviso and/or substantive changes to existing provisos.		
(FORM D)	Only requesting technical proviso changes (such as date references).		
(I OILIA D)	X Not requesting any proviso changes		

Please identify your agency's preferred contacts for this year's budget process.

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Email</u>
PRIMARY CONTACT:	Mark Rhoden	(803) 737-1108	mrhoden@ors.sc.gov
SECONDARY CONTACT:	Michael Guffee	(803) 737-1482	mguffee@ors.sc.gov

I have reviewed and approved the enclosed FY 2025-2026 Agency Budget Plan, which is complete and accurate to the extent of my knowledge.

	Agency Director	Board or Commission Chair
SIGN/DATE: TYPE/PRINT NAME:	A22	Homes G. alufle
	Andrew M. Bateman	Senator Thomas C. Alexander

his form must be signed by the agency head – not a delegate.

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FORM E – AGENCY COST SAVINGS AND GENERAL FUND REDUCTION CONTINGENCY PLAN

<u>CONTINGENCY PLAN</u>				
TITLE	Agency Cost Savings and General Fund Reduction Contigency Plan			
AMOUNT	\$93,763 What is the General Fund 3% reduction amount? This amount should correspond to the reduction spreadsheet			
	prepared by EBO.			
	N/A			
ASSOCIATED FTE REDUCTIONS				
REDUCTIONS	How many FTEs would be reduced in association with this General Fund reduction?			
	How many F1Es would be reduced in dissociation with this General Fund reduction:			
	SC Broadband Office			
PROGRAM /				
ACTIVITY IMPACT				
	What programs or activities are supported by the General Funds identified?			
	The SC Broadband Office Coordinator would not expect a significant impact on its core			
	responsibilities and function with a reduction of this amount. In the event of a General Fund reduction, the Office will look to leverage technology to reduce in-person meetings			
	and optional conferences and the related travel expenses.			
SUMMARY				

Please provide a detailed summary of service delivery impact caused by a reduction in General Fund Appropriations and provide the method of calculation for anticipated reductions. Agencies should prioritize reduction in expenditures that have the least significant impact on service delivery.

	Reduce travel Costs and optional conferences - \$20,000			
	Cost Share - \$21,590 Defer Purchases - \$25,000			
AGENCY COST	Leverage Federal Funding - \$27,258			
SAVINGS PLANS				

What measures does the agency plan to implement to reduce its costs and operating expenses by more than \$50,000? Provide a summary of the measures taken and the estimated amount of savings. How does the agency plan to repurpose the savings?

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FORM F – REDUCING COST AND BURDEN TO BUSINESSES AND CITIZENS

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Effort to Reduce Cost and Burden to Business

Provide a brief, descriptive title for this request.

EXPECTED SAVINGS TO BUSINESSES AND CITIZENS

ORS participated in regulation development initiated by the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") related to regulation changes in the Commission practice and procedure and regulation changes impacting the customers of natural gas, electric, water, sewer utilities and transportation carriers. Many of the changes proposed by ORS during the Commission's regulation development process are intended to streamline the regulatory process and reduce regulatory costs for customers.

What is the expected savings to South Carolina's businesses and citizens that is generated by this proposal? The savings could be related to time or money.

FACTORS ASSOCIATED WITH THE REQUEST

Mark "X" for all that apply:

Repeal or revision of regulations.

Reduction of agency fees or fines to businesses or citizens.

Greater efficiency in agency services or reduction in compliance burden.

Other

METHOD OF CALCULATION

N/A

Describe the method of calculation for determining the expected cost or time savings to businesses or citizens.

REDUCTION OF FEES OR FINES

N/A

Which fees or fines does the agency intend to reduce? What was the fine or fee revenue for the previous fiscal year? What was the associated program expenditure for the previous fiscal year? What is the enabling authority for the issuance of the fee or fine?

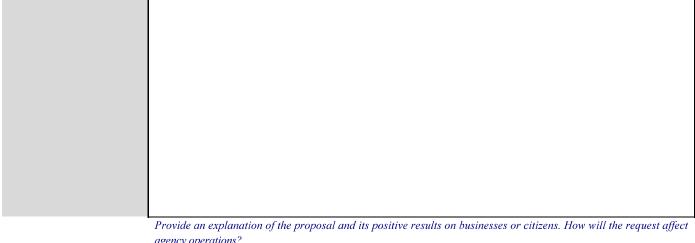
REDUCTION OF REGULATION

N/A

Which regulations does the agency intend to amend or delete? What is the enabling authority for the regulation?

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SUMMARY



agency operations?