Below are examples that have required budgets to be returned to individual Institutions. This slows the processing of all 104b and 104g awards

Supplies. Indicate separately the amounts proposed for laboratory and field supplies followed by a breakdown of the supplies in each category.

a. \$232 is requested for supplies on this project

b. \$200 (\$\$2 each x 100) for souvenirs/prizes for public outreach meetings

What needs to be corrected?

a. More detail is needed: number of items, price per item, and relevance to project

b. Souvenirs and prizes are not allowable expenses for these federal funds

Equipment. Identify non-expendable personal property having a useful life of more than one (1) year and an acquisition cost of more than \$5,000 per unit. If fabrication of equipment is proposed, list parts and materials required for each, and show costs separately from the other items. A detailed breakdown is required.

\$10000 for sondes at each site

What needs to be corrected? Equipment costing \$5000 must be described in detail, including the number, source model number, utility to project, and what will be done with equipment after conclusion of project

Travel.

a. YR 1: 2-3 day planning trip to field sites = \$3000

b. \$1400 is requested for instate travel to meetings with stakeholders

What needs to be corrected? Add a detailed breakdown of per diem, mileage, number of people, hotel

costs, etc. See the file *budget-justification-good-example.pdf* for the detail needed.

Other Direct Costs:

Workshop participant snacks: 100 people x \$5 each

What needs to be corrected? Food is not an allowable expense for federal funds unless it is part of per diem expenses during travel.

* a. Federal	125,000.00	
* b. Applicant	105,000.00	K
* c. State	0.00	\leftarrow
* d. Local	134,477.00	<
* e. Other	0.00	L
* f. Program Income	0.00	
* g. TOTAL		

Given the recent amendment (PL117-58, Sec 50221), the sum of b,c,d,e must equal or exceed what is being requested in Federal funds (a). So, all programs at 1:1 match on the SF-424.