**INDIANA PTAC ROADMAP TO GOVERNMENT CONTRACTING**

**PHASE TWO: CERTIFICATIONS**

1. **8a PROGRAM (SBA Program)**  <https://www.sba.gov/> nine year program for socially and economically disadvantaged businesses. Stringent application process - [certify.SBA.gov](https://certify.sba.gov/).
2. **HUBZone (SBA Program)** Based on physical location of headquarters, 35% of employees must live in any HUBZone. Check location eligibility <https://maps.certify.sba.gov/hubzone/map>. To apply for certification <https://eweb.sba.gov/gls>.
3. **STATE OF INDIANA CERTIFICATION- INDOT  
   INDOT DBE (Disadvantaged Business Enterprise)/ACDBE (Airport vendors)** <https://www.in.gov/indot/2748.htm> Business must be 51% MWBE ownership/socially and economically disadvantaged. Online application requiring documentation to be uploaded. Application is completed at <http://itap.indot.in.gov> followed by on-site visit. Recognized by INDOT, IDOA (after review), State of Kentucky, City of Indianapolis, City of Ft. Wayne and some Airports.

**INDOT Prequalification:** All companies wishing to do business with INDOT must complete the Pre-Qualified Application <https://www.in.gov/indot/> > Doing Business with INDOT> Prequalification> choose either Consultants Prequalification or Contractors Prequalification

1. **STATE OF INDIANA CERTIFICATION – IDOA Div. of Supplier Diversity**

Certify your Indiana Business:  <http://www.in.gov/idoa/mwbe/2489.htm>Application: <https://www.in.gov/idoa/mwbe/2490.htm> fill-in online pdf application, then print off and either mail certified or hand deliver. Recognized by IDOA. If DBE certification is obtained first, a Release of Information is reviewed by IDOA and full application may not be required.

1. **VETERAN-OWNED/SERVICE-DISABLED VETERAN-OWNED SMALL BUSINESS CERTIFICATIONS  
   SBA Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business Program:** <https://www.sba.gov/federal-contracting/contracting-assistance-programs/service-disabled-veteran-owned-small-businesses-program>. Recognized by federal entities.

**Indiana Veteran-Owned Small Business (IVOSB)**  <https://www.in.gov/idoa/2863.htm> Program promotes procurement of state contracts with Indiana veteran-owned businesses. Only DD214 and completion of application required. Recognized by the State of Indiana.

**Vets First Verification Program** run through the Department of Veteran’s Affairs (<https://www.va.gov/osdbu/verification/index.asp>) for Veteran-Owned Small Businesses (VOSB) and Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Businesses (SDVOSB). Required by the Veteran’s Affairs. Intensive application process. Recognized by federal entities and the State of Indiana.

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