

DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE

**Nonrule Policy Document #2018-1:
Controlled Project Amount Thresholds For Calendar Year 2019**

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DISCLAIMER: This nonrule policy document is intended to supplement applicable rules and laws. It does not replace applicable rules and laws and, if it conflicts with these rules or laws, the rules or laws shall control.

SUBJECT: The purpose of this nonrule policy is to determine the threshold amounts under the following situations:

- Whether a capital project is a "controlled project" as defined in [IC 6-1.1-20-1.1](#).
- Whether a proposed controlled project must be approved by registered voters through a petition and remonstrance under [IC 6-1.1-20-3.1](#) and [IC 6-1.1-20-3.2](#).
- Whether a proposed controlled project must be approved by registered voters through a referendum under [IC 6-1.1-20-3.5](#) and [IC 6-1.1-20-3.6](#).

BACKGROUND:

As required by House Enrolled Act 1043-2017, the Department of Local Government Finance (Department) must promulgate and publish the threshold amounts for a controlled project as defined in [IC 6-1.1-20-1.1](#), for triggering a petition and remonstrance on a controlled project under [IC 6-1.1-20-3.1](#), and for triggering a referendum on a controlled project under [IC 6-1.1-20-3.5](#). In the case of an ordinance or resolution to initiate a controlled project adopted in 2019, and for every year thereafter, the threshold amounts must increase annually by the assessed value growth quotient (AVGQ) determined by the State Budget Agency under [IC 6-1.1-18.5-2](#) for that year. The State Budget Agency has determined the AVGQ for 2019 to be 1.034.

The increase of the threshold amount is determined by taking the threshold amount from the previous year (the "base amount") and multiplying it by the AVGQ. The Department identifies the following base amounts for each threshold:

- For a project to be a controlled project, the base amount is \$5,000,000, as provided in [IC 6-1.1-20-1.1\(2\)\(A\)\(ii\)](#) for 2018.
- For a controlled project to trigger the petition and remonstrance process, the base amount is \$15,000,000, as provided in [IC 6-1.1-20-3.1\(a\)\(2\)\(C\)\(i\)](#) for 2018.
- For a controlled project to trigger the referendum process, the base amount is \$15,000,000, as provided in [IC 6-1.1-20-3.5\(a\)\(1\)\(A\)\(i\)](#) and [IC 6-1.1-20-3.5\(a\)\(1\)\(B\)\(i\)](#) for 2018.

DETERMINATION: The threshold amounts determined for 2019 are as follows:

1. For a project to be a controlled project, the threshold amount is \$5,170,000 ($\$5,000,000 * 1.034$).
2. For a controlled project to trigger the petition and remonstrance process, the threshold amount is \$15,510,000 ($\$15,000,000 * 1.034$).
3. For a controlled project to trigger the referendum process, the threshold amount is \$15,510,000 ($\$15,000,000 * 1.034$).

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