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Section 7 – Application for Building Permits







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Introduction

Welcome to HCAI Electronic Services Portal Client Access (eCA) User Guide

This section describes the steps required to submit an Application for Building Permit using the HCAI eServices Portal Client Access (eCA) system.

What to Know about an Application for Building Permit

An Application for Building Permit (BP) must be submitted as an amendment to a Parent Project such as an Application for a New Project (AFNP) or an Incremental Increment (Inc Inc). Before a BP application can be created in eClient Access (eCA), the parent project must have received written approval of the construction documents. If the project has been approved or approved with comments, the project overall status will be "Pending Construction Start".

Once plan approval has been issued by the Office, the application for Building Permit can begin through HCAI's online e-Services Portal. During the application process, the following are required as part of the Building Permit submission.

- a. Contractor information, including providing evidence of workers' compensation insurance and jobsite representatives contact information.
- b. Proposed Certified Hospital Inspector of Record (IOR) information, including a current (within 30 days) workload report for all IORs included in the application.
- c. Contract Cost of the project, Contract Award Date, and Planned Construction Start Date. Form 801 Notice of Start of Construction is no longer required. The information is entered directly into the online application.
- d. The Testing Inspection and Observation (TIO) program that was reviewed during review of the construction documents. The TIO Program must be completed, identifying the agencies and individuals performing tests and special inspections for the first portion of the work.

Note: Sample Test/Inspection Reports are required during submission of the Building Permit application. Sample Test/Inspection Reports are supplied by the firm or individual performing tests and/or inspections. If you are using an OSHPD Preapproved Agency (OPAA) for tests and inspections, the OPAA document can be substituted for the sample reports that are required in the Building Permit online application. OPAA documents can be downloaded from OSHPD Preapproved Agency (OPAA) - HCAI. A document stating why sample reports are not required on the project can be used to represent the Sample Test/Inspection Report.

The TIO program will be reviewed by field staff as a part of the Building Permit application process and is required to be Field Approved prior to the Regional Compliance Officer issuance of the Building Permit. It is anticipated that submitting an application for Building Permit indicates construction commencement is eminent, and the majority of Approved Agencies and/or Individuals that will be performing the Tests or Inspections on the project are known, at least for the work that is commencing at the start of the construction. The TIO must identify



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IMPORTANT: The application for Building Permit allows for modifying the application after submission. If the Regional Compliance Officer ejects an IOR or Contractor, the Return process will enable the Edit Mode of the Building Permit. Instructions on how to update the application in Edit Mode are included in this user guide.

REMEMBER: Help is available throughout the application. Wherever you see a help icon, click on the question mark to open help and instructions for that item in the application.

At any point in the submission process, you can select **Save Pending Submittal** to save your work and resume the application later. A **Resume Application** link is displayed in the Record List of the e-Services Portal. Select Resume Application and select from beginning when prompted.

Starting a Building Permit

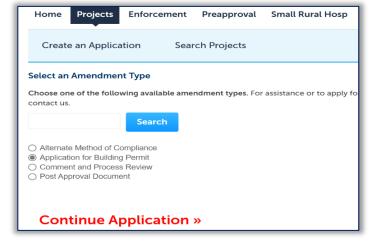
Follow the steps described below to submit the Application for Building Permit.

Step 1. Parent Project Record

Search for and select the Parent Project (AFNP or Inc Inc) for which the BP is to be submitted. The parent project's overall status must be "Pending Construction Start"). The Amendment option is available as a link in the record list or as a button when viewing the details of project. Click the **Amendment** link or the **Create Amendment** button to start the Building Permit application.

Select the **Application for Building Permit** radio button to open the BP application.

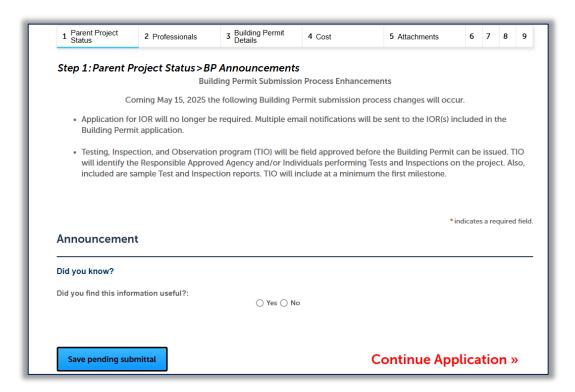
When you click **Continue Application**, the BP application page flow will be displayed.





Step 2. e-Services Portal Announcement Page

The first page of the BP page flow is an announcement page intended to inform you of topics that may impact your interaction with HCAI. The information on this page is regularly updated as new information is released. Select Yes or No and click **Continue Application**.

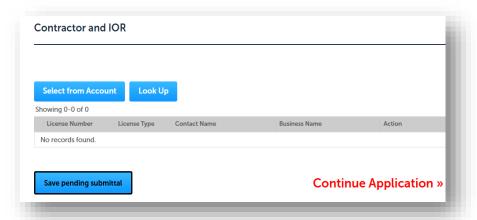


Step 3. Enter Contractor and IOR

Enter the Licensed Contractor (or Owner/Builder) and at least one IOR on this page. Do not add Licensed Professional(s) other than the Contractor and IOR. Licensed Professional(s) on

the parent project will be copied to this Application for Building Permit automatically when the application is approved by HCAI. If a Contractor AND an IOR are NOT entered, eCA will display an error message.

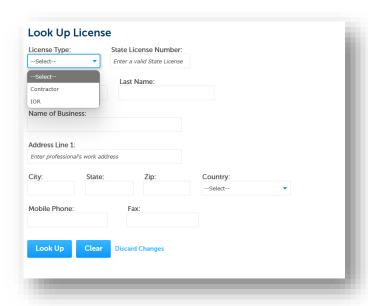
To add a Contractor or IOR to this application, click "Look Up" and enter search criteria. Using license number works best.





To add an Owner-Builder contractor, enter "OBXXXXX" in the 'State License Number' field with the 5-digit Facility ID Number in place of "XXXXX". The Contractor's or Inspector's name, address, and other information will be automatically completed with the current information from our database. Please verify that the information is correct by clicking the Edit link and reviewing the Licensed Professional Information.

If the search returns no results, the Contractor or Inspector is not currently in our database or shows an expired license. Contact HCAI at (916) 440-8400 or email eserv@hcai.ca.gov to update the existing Contractor's or Inspector's information or to add a new Contractor or IOR.



Repeat these steps until both the Contractor and all IORs for this project have been added. When the Contractor and IOR(s) have been successfully added, click **Continue Application**.

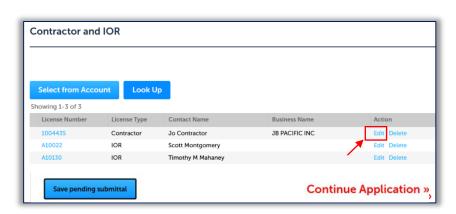
Step 4. IOR Lead and Responsibility

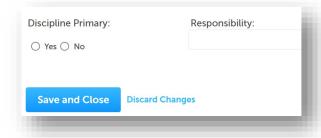
If multiple IORs are included in the application, click the Edit link shown above to specify the Lead IOR and Responsibility.

For Lead IOR, select Yes for Discipline Primary otherwise select No. If IOR is only responsible for a portion of the project, enter the portion

in Responsibility otherwise leave blank. Select **Save** and Close when complete.

When the Contractor and IOR(s) have been successfully added, click **Continue Application**.

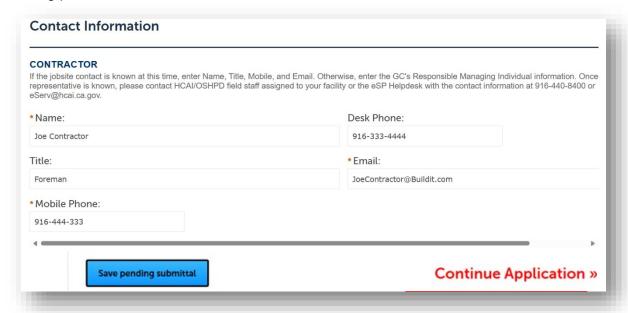






Step 5. Contractor's Jobsite Representative

This page contains the job site representative for the Contractor. Enter the Name, Title, Desk phone, Mobile Phone, and Email for the person that is responsible for the day-to-day management of the job site for the Contractor. If the job site representative is not known at the time of the building permit, enter the business information for the contractor and "Responsible Managing Individual" or the "License Qualifier" in the name field. This data is required, and the building permit cannot be submitted without this information.

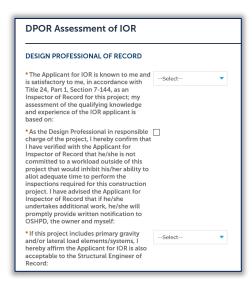


When the contact information is entered, click Continue Application.

Step 6. Design Professional of Record's (DPOR) Confirmation of IOR

The Design Professional in Responsible Charge of the project or their Alternate must complete Step 6 to confirm their acceptance of the Inspector of Record for this project.

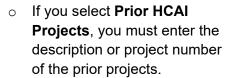
- In accordance with Title 24, Part 1, Section 7-144, the DPOR must certify that Applicant for IOR is known to and satisfactory to them; the assessment of their qualifying knowledge and experience of the IOR must be selected from the dropdown choices
 - Interview Date
 - Prior HCAI Projects
 - Other





- DPOR must indicate what his or her assessment of IOR is based on.
 - If you select Interview, you must enter the interview date

 If you select **Other**, you must enter the descriptions of reasons.



Select Continue Application when complete.



*The Applicant for IOR is known to me and Interview is satisfactory to me, in accordance with Title 24, Part 1, Section 7-144, as an Inspector of Record for this project; my assessment of the qualifying knowledge and experience of the IOR applicant is based on: *Interview Date (required): * *The Applicant for IOR is known to me and is satisfactory to me, in accordance with Title 24. Part 1. Section 7-144, as an Inspector of Record for this project; my assessment of the qualifying knowledge and experience of the IOR applicant is *Please describe for Other(required): *The Applicant for IOR is known to me and Prior OSHPD Projects is satisfactory to me, in accordance with Title 24, Part 1, Section 7-144, as an Inspector of Record for this project; my assessment of the qualifying knowledge and experience of the IOR applicant is based on: *Prior OSHPD Project(s)(required):

Next, the DPOR must perform a detailed review of the IOR Workload and confirm that he or she has verified with the IOR that he/she is not committed to a workload outside of this project that would inhibit his/her ability to allot adequate time to perform the inspections required for this construction project. This confirmation is affirmed by placing a check in the checkbox.

Finally, if the project includes primary gravity and/or lateral load elements/systems, the DPOR must confirm the IOR is also acceptable to the Structural Engineer of Record.

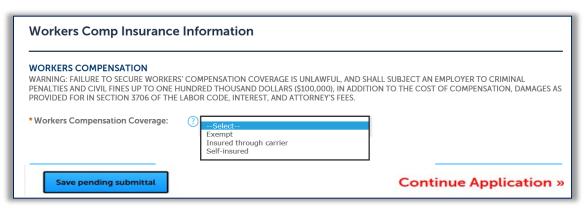


* If this project includes primary gravity and/or lateral load elements/systems, I hereby affirm the Applicant for IOR is also acceptable to the Structural Engineer of Record:

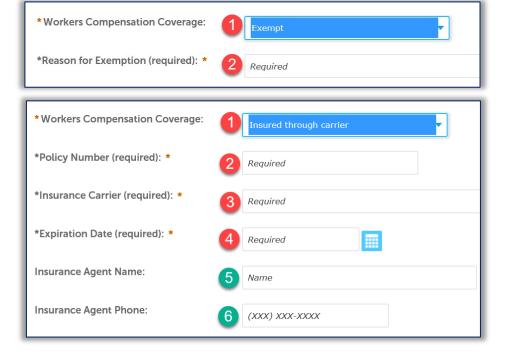
If the DPOR is unwilling to certify the above, the application cannot be submitted using e-Services Portal and must use the paper application process.

Step 7. Enter Workers Compensation Information

Select the appropriate type of Workers Compensation Coverage for the Contractor and enter the relevant information.



- If the coverage type is Exempt, you must enter an exemption reason.
- If the coverage type is "Insured through carrier", user must enter Policy Number, Insurance Carrier and the Expiration Date





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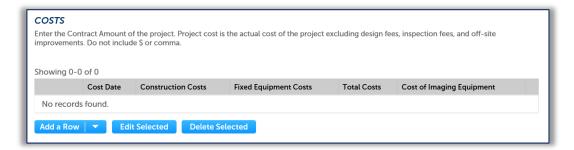
 If the coverage type is "Self-insured", user must enter the Policy Number.



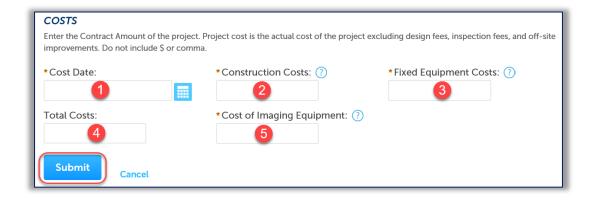
Select Continue Application when complete.

Step 8. Construction Start - Enter Costs

Enter the **Contract Amount** for the project. Construction cost is the actual cost of the project excluding fixed equipment, imaging equipment, design fees, inspection fees, and off-site improvements. Do not include \$ or comma. Begin by clicking **Add a Row**:



On the pop-up window, enter the **Contract Amount** of Construction Costs, Fixed Equipment Costs and Imaging Equipment Costs, then click on **Submit** button to copy form to Costs Table.





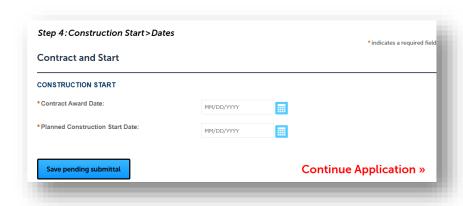
Step 9. Construction Start – Enter Dates

Enter the Contract Award

Date and the Planned

Construction Start Date.

These two dates were formerly part of the Notice of Start of Construction form and are now part of the Building Permit application process. Click Continue Application when complete.



Step 10. Attach Documents

Upload copies of the following documents:

- TIO program identifying the Approved Agencies and/or Individuals that will be performing the Tests or Special Inspections on the project. for the first phase of construction.
- Sample Test/Inspection Reports. (Substitute OPAA document if using OPAA for all test/inspection or a document stating why sample reports are not required on the project can be used to represent the Sample Test/Inspection Report.)
- IOR's Workload Report for each IOR proposed for the project.
- Contractor's Worker's Compensation Insurance certificate.

NOTE: The Testing, Inspection and Observation Program (TIO) must be complete for the first phase of the work at a minimum to commence construction. The TIO should identify all Approved Agencies and/or Individuals that will be performing the Tests or Special Inspections on the project. It is anticipated that submitting an application for Building Permit (BP) indicates that construction commencement is eminent, and the majority of Approved Agencies and/or Individuals that will be performing the Tests or Special Inspections on the project are known, at least for the work that is commencing at the start of the construction. Simply listing "Owners Testing Agency", "TBD", or "Inspector of Record" etc. is not acceptable. It is permissible to use "TBD" for those Tests and Special Inspections that are for work that is occurring in later stages of construction where the Approved Agency and/or Individual may not be known. If TBD's are used, a special condition will be placed on the Building Permit that indicates where TBD's are shown in the TIO, the construction activities associated with that line item in the TIO cannot be performed until such time that the TIO has been revised and submitted to Field Staff for concurrence.



The TIO will be reviewed by HCAI Field Staff and "Field Approved" as a part of the Application for Building Permit process. If the submitted TIO does not provide sufficient information, the TIO will be Returned which will cause a delay in the BP Application process.

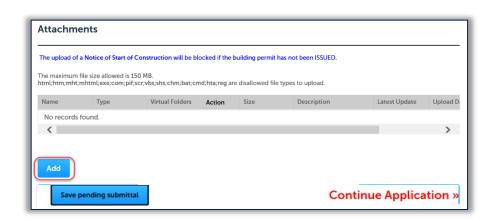
IOR Workload The IOR's Workload Report must be current within the last 30 days or the Application for Building Permit will be returned causing delays in the processing of the BP Application.

The IOR workload report must be in the format provided on the HCAI Report Center website. Please navigate to http://report.hcai.ca.gov, select OSHPD under Division, select IOR Project Workload Report under report, and click "Go". Input the IOR Name / License #, Select the IOR, and click "View Report". The report can be saved in Excel format where the remainder of the fields can be entered manually. Please do not hide or remove any information provided. Workload reports can be uploaded in the PDF or Excel file format.

Worker's Compensation Insurance Certificate The Worker's Compensation Insurance Certificate must be current.

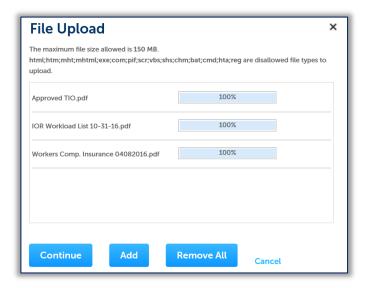
Sample Test/Inspection Reports The sample test reports must be included and uploaded. Sample reports are provided by firm or individual that will be performing the tests or inspections. If you are using an OSHPD Preapproved Agency (OPAA) for tests and inspections, the OPAA document can be substituted for the sample reports that are required in the Building Permit online application. OPAA documents can be downloaded from OSHPD Preapproved Agency (OPAA) - HCAI.

To upload documents, click the **Add** button.





- Click the Add button and locate the files to upload on your computer. Select multiple files by using the 'Ctrl' button.
- In the pop-up windows, click the Open button. Files will be copied to the application
- To complete the transfer, click Continue.



Once the files are attached to the record, complete the file description and file type information using the dropdown boxes and filling in the description fields.



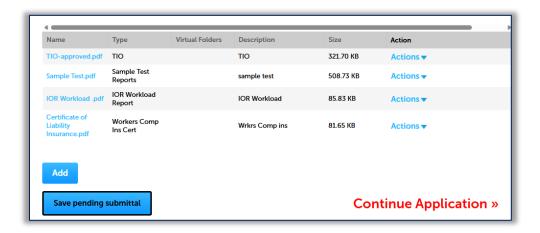
When complete, click the **Save** button. eCA will copy the files to the HCAI database. An ackowledgement of the upload will appear at the top of the page.







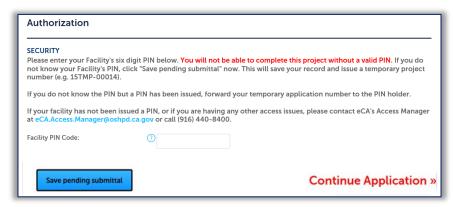
It is important that you wait to see the Actions column populate before navigating away from this page; if you continue prior to the upload completing (Actions column is blank), your files may not transfer to HCAI correctly.



Step 11. Enter Facility PIN and Owner Approval

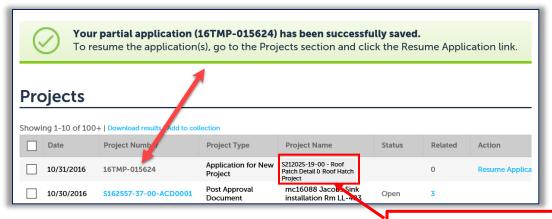
If you are authorized by the facility and have obtained a valid Facility PIN, enter it on the screen, then click on "Continue Application" button to proceed to the next page flow screen.

If you do not have a valid Facility PIN, click on "Save pending submittal" button to save the record.



If you click the "Save pending submittal" button, the application process stops, and user is redirected to the Project List page. eCA issues a temporary Project ID and displays the application in User's project list. Users can "Resume Application" at a later time. The application name is set to the parent project number and parent project name so others accessing the TMP record know which project it is for.



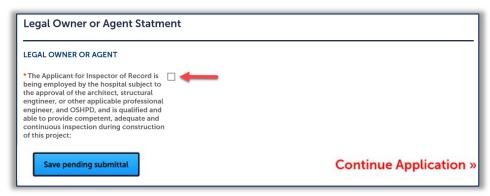


TMP record name is the parent project ID and project name

If you enter an invalid Facility PIN, eCA displays an error message at the review step and prevents you from completing the application. You may return to the Security page and re-enter the correct PIN.

Step 12. Legal Owner or Agent Statement

The hospital governing board or authority is legally mandated to provide for competent, adequate and continuous inspection by one or more inspectors satisfactory to the Design Professional of Record and to HCAI. The Legal Owner or Authorized Agent (PIN holder) must indicate acceptance of the Inspector(s) or Record by checking the box adjacent to the statement on this page:





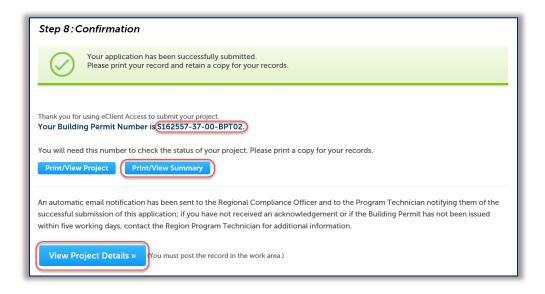
Step 13. Review Information

The Review page displays all data entered to the BP application; make any necessary edits by clicking the **Edit** buttons and changing the erroneous information. When the information is satisfactory, click **Continue Application** to submit the application.



Step 14. Application Submission Confirmation

eCA displays the BP application submission conformation page as the last step. You may print the Project Summary or open the project details page if desired.



Congratulations!
You have Successfully Submitted an Application for Building Permit



Additional Information



If the application is returned at Intake due to Contract Cost and Dates or by the RCO due to contractor or IOR(s) being rejected, the application will be editable by the client. See **Edit Mode** below.

Expected Schedule for Building Permit Processing by HCAI:

The following are the time allocations for HCAI Field Staff to processing an Application for Building Permit. The number of days shown are the maximum number of days allocated; after Intake, the days are concurrent – therefore the actual number of days to issue a Building Permit can be substantially less.

Intake: Project support staff are given **3 days** to complete the intake step.

RCO – IOR/Contractor Review: RCO is given **7 days** to complete the review and approval of IOR(s) and Contractor. If submitted person(s) are unacceptable, the application will be returned to applicant, and the Intake task will be activated waiting for the resubmittal of corrected application. When returned, the BP application will be in Edit Mode. See below for instructions.

Field Approval of TIO: Field Staff are given **14 days** to complete the review and approval of the TIO. If issues are found with the TIO, the application will be returned to the applicant for corrections.

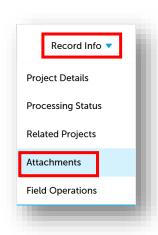
Final Review and Issuance: The final review of the application by the RCO is **3 days** to complete and issue the BP. If items are found that make the return of the application necessary, the application will be returned to the applicant, and the Intake task will be activated waiting for resubmittal of the TIO.

Note: If the application is returned to the applicant, upon re-submittal of BP application, the Intake, RCO Review, and Field Approval days described above will be re-applied to the resubmittal.

Upload/Download Documents

If after the application is submitted, you may upload new documents or download the documents that are attached to the building permit. On the Record Detail page, you can click on the **Record Info** dropdown menu to select **Attachments**.

- To upload new documents, click Add button.
- To download a document, click on the name of any existing document. For more information relating to uploading and attaching plans and
- documents, see Section 7.





Email Notifications

During the review of the Building Permit application, the RCO or Field Staff may return the application when information is missing or needs correction. An email will be sent to Licensed Professionals and Contacts associated with the application that contains all instructions required for uploading documents or resubmittal of the application in Edit Mode.

Other emails are sent during the application process as shown below:

- File(s) upload.
- To IORs at BP intake to let them know they have been included in the application.
- To IORs at RCO review to let them know they have been approved.
- To IORs at Building Permit issuance.
- To all design team members of the application at Building Permit issuance.
- To CDPH L&C to alert them that a Building Permit has been issued.
- To County Assessor's office to alert them that a Building Permit has been issued.

Notice of Return or Remarks

When a notification is received stating that the Building Permit application has been returned or remarked due to missing information or missing documents or rejection of IOR or Contractor, follow the instructions and comment contained within the email notification. The Building Permit application has two states with regard to modifying submitted information.

If the Building Permit application is returned at Intake by support staff or at RCO approval of IOR and Contractor, the application will be put in EDIT MODE, described below.

If the Building Permit application is remarked by the field staff during review of the TIO, all that is required is uploading a revised TIO and EDIT MODE is not enabled.

After you have uploaded any documents or modified the application while in EDIT MODE, upon completing the upload or re-submission of the information, the system will notify HCAI staff and the process will resume.



Edit Mode

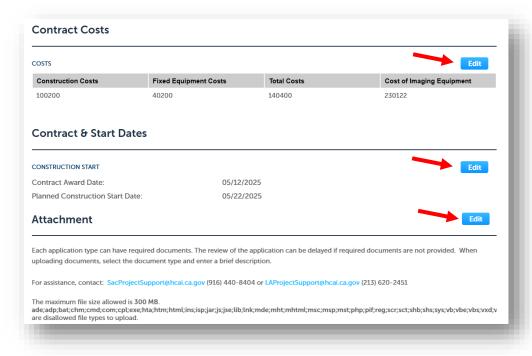
If the application is returned at Intake or the RCO returns the application due to the IOR and/or Contractor being rejected, the application will enter Edit Mode. The project list will show an Edit link shown below.

IMPORTANT: Only the record creator can see the Edit link.

In the project list, click the Edit link to open the application for editing.



The application will display similar to below with an Edit link on the items with which you can modify. The application will display the section to be edited.



You can click the **Edit** Edit buttons to update the content of that section. When finished editing a section, click **Continue Application** to return to the Review page.



Modifying Contract Cost, Contract Award Date, or Construction Start Date

If the Building Permit was Returned during the Intake step by HCAI, data must be updated like the Contract Cost, Contract Award Date, Planned Construction Start Date, or a document needs to be re-submitted. It is advisable to read the email received to know what to update before resubmitting

Click **Edit** for the section as shown above.

If the Contract Cost needs to be updated, check the box next to the cost and click **Delete Selected**. Then, select **Add a Row** to enter a new cost row.

COSTS

Enter the Contract Amount of the project. Project cost is the actual cost of the project excluding design fees, inspection fees, anot include \$ or comma.

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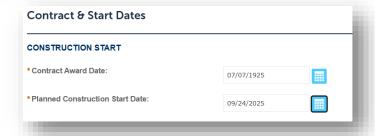
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When complete and click

"Continue Application".

Next, to update the **Contract Award Date** and **Planned Construction Start Date**, click the **Edit** button as shown above and enter the dates.

Once complete, click "Continue Application" to return to the Review page.



If any documents require resubmittal, click the **Edit** button on the Attachments section. Upload any required documents and click "**Continue Application**" when complete.

Adding IOR(s) and Contractors

If an IOR or Contractor has been rejected by the RCO, click the **Edit** button on the Licensed Professional section. If one IOR was not approved, all IOR's will need to be re-added. Click the Lookup button as described in Step 3 above to add required professionals. Remember to read the Return comment in the email received. When all IOR(s) and Contractor added, click "Continue Application" to return to the Review page.



Entering Contractor's Jobsite Representative Contact Information

If the Contractor was rejected by the RCO, once you add the new contractor, update the Contractor's Contact Information. Click the **Edit** button on the **Contractor Contact Information** section. Enter contact information and click "**Continue Application**".



When all edits are complete and the Review page is displayed, select **Submit Updated Information** to complete the re-submittal



When the re-submittal is complete, a green banner will be displayed to indicate successful resubmittal.



Updated information for the record (S212025-19-00-BPT01) has been successfully submitted.

The Building Permit application process will continue and the intake process will begin again.