

OTHER FACILITIES FUNDING

Major Research Equipment and Facilities Construction Account Projects

The MREFC account supports the acquisition, construction, and commissioning of major facilities and larger mid-scale research infrastructure that provide unique capabilities at the frontiers of science and engineering. Projects supported by this account are intended to extend the boundaries of technology and open new avenues for discovery for the science and engineering community. Initial planning and design, follow-on operations and maintenance costs of the facilities and infrastructure are provided through the R&RA account.

For information on projects funded through this account, refer to the MREFC section of this Research Infrastructure Theme within the NSF-Wide Investments chapter.

Preconstruction Planning

Within the R&RA account, funds are provided for preconstruction studies for prospective major facility projects. This funding generally supports such activities as design, cost estimates, and other actions that prepare potential projects for oversight review, agency decision milestones, and potential implementation.