

Pre-Application Planning Checklist

Use this checklist while you design your project and before you apply, so BABA is built into your design, budget, and schedule from the start.

Step	Action	Done?
1	Identify all iron, steel, manufactured products, and construction materials the project will require.	[]
2	Classify each item into one category (iron/steel, manufactured product, construction material, or Section 70917(c) material).	[]
3	For each item, identify potential U.S. sources and confirm availability, quality, lead time, and price (early market research — see Market Research Guide).	[]
4	Flag items that may be hard to source domestically and check whether a general applicability waiver already covers them.	[]
5	Estimate the true cost of compliance (material price, redesign, supplier research, paperwork, longer lead times) and build it into the budget.	[]
6	Adjust design, specifications, or schedule where that avoids the need for a waiver.	[]
7	If a waiver still looks necessary, begin assembling documentation and plan to submit the ARC BABA Waiver Request Form through your RSBA early.	[]

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