



Grants Online Training New Federal Program Officers

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Federal Program Officer Training Agenda

Day 1

Grants Online Overview and System Navigation
Universal RFA Creation / Application Processing
Introduction and Agenda
Grants Online Overview and Log On
System Navigation – Workflow and Account Management
Viewing RFAs and Awards
Online Demonstration/Process Maps
Hands-On Participation – Completing a Non-Competitive RFA
Online Demonstration/Process Maps
Hands-On Participation – Processing a Non-Competitive RFA
Wrap Up:
Additional Resources and Training
Questions and Concerns

OBJECTIVES – By the end of the day, students should:

- Understand the roles of Grants Online and the Grants Online PMO within the Department of Commerce Grants community
- Understand the underlying structure of the Grants Online system
- Locate basic Grants Online application and award information
- Understand the difference between a Competitive RFA and other types of Universal RFA (previously aggregated using the label "Non-Competitive")
- Understand the difference between the Certified and Uncertified Federal Program Officer/Program Office Staff roles
- Create and route a variety of Universal RFAs
- Input a paper application and complete the "Review Minimum Requirements" task
- Conduct Negotiations and prepare an Award File for Grants Management review
- Understand the Award File approval and acceptance process
- Know where to find help when needed

TRAINING MATERIALS:

- 1. Agenda and Objectives
- 2. List of Acronyms
- 3. Grants Online Overview Presentation
- 4. Grants Online User Roles (Spreadsheet)
- 5. Grants Online User Roles Federal and Grantee (Definitions)
- 6. System Navigation Manual
- 7. Process Maps and Screen Shots





Grants Online Overview

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Project Goals

- A Single Unified Grant Processing and Administration system that uses an electronic solution to reduce processing time.
- A reliable, robust, and scalable solution that can accommodate mission-critical, high-volume usage.
- An interface with the *Grants.gov* initiative to provide "onestop" shopping for Federal grants-related activities.
- Standardized business processes that contribute to a more efficient use of resources.
- A direct interface to other systems such as CBS/ASAP, FinLitLog, and WebDocFlow.

Contract Award – August 29, 2003 GO LIVE! (NOAA Feds Only) – January 10, 2005 Rollout to Grantees – FY 2006 Rollout to DOC – March 2009 Review Module – October 2011 CBS Interface – June 2012 Rollout to EDA – FY 2015 Rollout to NIST – FY 2017 (In Planning)



Grants Life Cycle





Grants Online System Requirements

The System

Grants Online operates in a web environment and is accessible anywhere and anytime the user has Internet access. There is not a need for the user to install any special software on his/her computer. However, each user must register and obtain a unique login id and password from the appropriate official at his/her agency.

Recommended Internet Browsers:

- Windows Internet Explorer 8 or higher
 - Attachments are not supported in IE 9
- Mac Safari 3.1 or higher
- Windows or Mac Firefox 2.0 or higher
- Google Chrome



Grants Online and Grants.gov





Grants Online and ASAP







Grants Online Helpful Hints

• **<u>DO NOT</u>** use the browser's "Back" button.



 On the Home Page, click the "Forgot your username?" link to locate the Help Desk phone number.







Grants Online Helpful Hints (continued)

 After clicking "Save and Start Workflow" always go to the Inbox – Tasks for the next action. If you do not see the new task, click "Tasks" in the left navigation pane to refresh the page. To prevent unaddressed Tasks from remaining in the Inbox, always click the Tasks link prior to logging out.

Save and Start Workflow

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Buttons vs. Column Headings

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Large File Guidance

As a security measure, there is a 5 minute time limit for the download and upload of files. If the user uploads a file and it takes approximately 5 minutes, the file upload may appear to have been successful. To test the integrity of the uploaded file, download and attempt to open the file. If the file does not open, the file is probably corrupted – the attempt to upload was incomplete and therefore unsuccessful.

Solutions for File Upload Problems

- To determine if the upload process resulted in a corrupted file, download the recently-uploaded file and compare the size of that to the original file.
- If most of the file uploaded before failing (indicated by a slight variation in the size of the two files), attempt to upload the file when there is less Internet traffic.
- Use a faster Internet connection and try the upload process again.
- Reduce the file size:
 - Split the file into multiple parts and upload as Filename Part 1, Filename Part 2, etc.
 - Zip the file.
 - If the file is a PDF and Adobe Acrobat Professional or equivalent software is available; with the file open, from the File Menu, select <u>Save as Other</u>. From the subsequent dropdown menu, select <u>Reduced Size PDF</u>.
- Options for recipients attempting to upload Progress Reports:
 - Contact your Program Officer for acceptable options to upload the file (e.g., burn the document to a CD and mail to your Program Officer).
- Options for Federal personnel:
 - Contact the Help Desk to determine what additional solutions are available.

Solutions for File Download Problems

- Download speeds are typically an order of magnitude faster than upload speeds; therefore, there should be fewer file download problems.
- Wait to download the file when there is less Internet traffic.
- Use a faster Internet connection to perform the download.
- Contact the Help Desk to determine what additional solutions are available.



Federal Grants Personnel

Program Office (Federal Program Officers)

- Provides the funding for the grant award
- Federal Subject Matter Experts
- Provides oversight for the programmatic aspects of the project – receives and accepts the <u>Performance Progress Reports</u>

Grants Office (Grants Management Specialists and Grants Officers)

- Provides the final approval for all Grants Management matters
- Federal Grants Management Experts
- Provides oversight for the financial aspects of the project – receives and accepts the <u>Financial Reports (SF-425, SF-270)</u>
- Project Officer (EDA-Specific Role)
 - Fulfills roles of both the Program Office and Grants Office, with the exception of the final Grants Officer review and approval.



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Grants Online Training and Help Desk

Grants Online Website

- Looking For More Information About Grants
 Online?
 - Go to the Grants Online PMO website at <u>http://www.corporateservices.noaa.gov/</u> <u>grantsonline</u>
- Have A Question When Training is Over?
 - Email the Help Desk at
 GrantsOnline.Helpdesk@noaa.gov
 - Call 301-444-2112 or 1-877-662-2478 toll free
 - Hours: 8:00 AM 6:00 PM Eastern Standard Time
- Ready to start working in Grants Online?
 - Go to https://grantsonline.rdc.noaa.gov



AAR	Award Action Request
ACCS	Accounting Classification Code Structure
AGO	Acquisition & Grants Management Office, NOAA
AO	Authorizing Official on Procurement Requests (see also BO)
AR or AOR	(Recipient) Authorized Representative
ARRA	American Recovery and Reinvestment Act
ASAP	Automated Standard Application for Payment (Department of the Treasury)
BAA	Broad Agency Announcement
BO	Budget Official (In Grants Online this is the Procurement Request Authorizing Official)
CAMS	Commerce Administrative Management System (now known as CBS)
CBS	Commerce Business Systems (formerly CAMS)
CCR	Central Contract Registry (now known as System for Award Management (SAM))
CD	Congressional District
CD-XXX	Commerce Department Form Number (e.g., CD-435, CD-450, CD-451)
CFDA	Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations
CM	Competition Manager
Co-PI	(Recipient) Principal Investigator - Secondary
DOC	Department of Commerce
DOC-OS	Office of the Secretary, DOC
DUNS	Dun & Bradstreet Number
ERA	Electronic Recipient Acceptance
EIN	Employer Identification Number
FAADS	Federal Assistance Award Data System
FAIS	Federal Assistance Information Sheet
FALD	Federal Assistance Law Division of DOC
FCS	U.S. and Foreign Commercial Service, ITA
FFO	Federal Funding Opportunity
FFR	Federal Financial Report
FIPS	Federal Information Processing Standards
FON	Funding Opportunity Number
FPO	Federal Program Officer
FRN	Federal Register Notice

GMAC	Grants Management Advisory Committee (NOAA)
GMD	Grants Management Division (NOAA and NIST); other agencies use the term Grants Management
GO	Grants Officer
GS	Grants Specialist
HDQ	Headquarters (EDA Line Office)
IA	Import Administration, ITA
ITA	International Trade Administration
ГО	Line Office
MARS	Management Analysis and Reporting System
MBDA	Minority Business Development Agency
NCE	No Cost Extension
NEPA	National Environmental Policy Act
NESDIS	National Environmental Satellite, Data, and Information Service (NOAA Satellite Service)
NFA or OFA	NOAA Finance and Administration
NMFS	National Marine Fisheries Service (NOAA Fisheries Service)
NOAA	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
NOFA	Notice of Funds Availability (See FFO, FRN, RFA)
SON	National Ocean Service (NOAA's Ocean Service)
NTIA	National Telecommunications and Information Administration
SWN	National Weather Service, NOAA
OAR	Ocean and Atmospheric Research (NOAA Research)
осро	One Commerce Program Office
OIE	Office of Innovation and Entrepreneurship (EDA Program Office)
ONPO	One NOAA Program Office
06C	Office of General Counsel, DOC
OHRM	Office of Human Resource Management, DOC-OS
016	Office of Inspector General, DOC
OLA	Office of Legislative Affairs (Bureaus)
OLIA	Office of Legislative and Intergovernmental Affairs, (Bureaus and DOC)
OMB	Office of Management and Budget (part of the Executive Office of the President)
ONPO	One NOAA Program Office
SO	Office of the Secretary, DOC
ΟΤΙΑ	Office of Telecommunications and Information Applications, NTIA

PD	(Recipient) Project Director
PI	(Recipient) Principal Investigator
РО	Program Office (sub-organization under a Line Office)
РРК	Performance Progress Report
PRCF	Procurement Request and Commitment of Funds (CD-435) / Funding Memo
RFA	Request for Application
RNTA	Research and National Technical Assistance (EDA Program Office)
SAC	Special Award Conditions
SAM	System for Award Management
SEC	Office of the Under Secretary for Oceans and Atmosphere (USEC abbreviated to SEC for use in FON)
SF-XXX	Standard Form issued by the Office Management and Budget (e.g., SF-424, SF-269, SF-270, etc.)
SO	Selecting Official
TAAF	Trade Adjustment Assistance for Firms (EDA Program Office)
USEC	Office of the Under Secretary for Oceans and Atmosphere (NOAA Upper Management)

Grants Online User Roles - Federal

FUNCTIONS / ROLES	Cert FPO	Uncert FPO	Pgm Office Staff	Budget Officer (Auth Official)	Pgm Office Reviewer	Pgm Office Requester	NEPA Official	Selecting Official	GMAC	Grants Specialist	Grants Officer
View Awards	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×	×
Create RFA (Including FFO and Synopsis)	×	×	×								
Review FFO and Synopsis	×	×	×	×	×	×	Х	×	×	×	×
Review Reviewer Instructions	×	×	×								
Manage Competition	×	×	×								
Be Assigned Program Officer on RFA	×	×	×								
Be Assigned Program Officer on Application	×	×	×								
Notify Recipients for Non Competitive Apps	×										
Accept Competitive Applications								×			
Approve Selection Package								×			
Forward Documents to FALD	×							×			
Complete Negotiations	×	×	×								
Accept Minimum Requirements Checklist	×	×	×								
Reject Minimum Requirements Checklist	×										
Complete PO Checklist	×	×	×								
Certify and Forward PO Checklist	×										
Complete and Forward NEPA Document	×	×	×								
Approve NEPA Document							X				
Complete and Forward Procurement Request	Х	Х	Х								
Be Requester on Procurement Request	X	Х	X	Х	X	×	Х	Х	Х	Х	
Review Procurement Request	X	Х	×	Х	×	X	Х	×	Х	×	
Authorize Funds on Procurement Request				Х							
Initiate Partial Funding	X	Х	×								
Initiate Award Action Request	Х									X	
Initiate Amendment										×	
Complete Administrative Review of Award File										X	
Approve Award											Х
Accept Progress Report	×										
Accept Financial Report											×
Authorize Bureau User Access to Grants Online									×		×

Grants Online User Roles - Grantee

FUNCTIONS / ROLES	Recipient Auth Rep	Recipient Admin	Recipient PI/PD	* Recipient PI/PD - Submitting	Recipient Biz/Fin Rep	* Recipient Biz/Fin Rep - Submitting	Recipient Key Person
View Awards	×	×	×	×	×	×	×
Initiate Award Action Request	×	×	X	×			×
Submit Award Action Request	×						
Accept or Reject Award	×						
Manage Recipient Users		×					
Complete Progress Report	×		X	×			
Submit Progress Report	×			×			
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	: Officer" role in Grants Online is given to users who are actually Procurement Request Authorizing Officials. The this role checks availability of funds for the award and provides final approval for the Procurement Request (CD-435) of as well as validation of the ACCS codes if not already done. This role has an accompanying threshold amount which uses to verify authorization to approve the use of Program Office funds.
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Credit Checker This role is given by the second structure of the second	jiven to the user within a particular Bureau who is responsible for requesting credit checks as needed during the of an award file for Grants Officer signature.
Director (EDA Only)	unique to EDA and is given to the user who has Director-level approval authority on award actions and payments.
FALD This role is given bureaus	jiven to users in the Department's Financial Assistance Law Division who are assigned to a particular Bureau. For us there are Bureau-level instead of Department-level attorneys given this role.
Federal Program Officer - Certified This role is give processing of a processing of a are Certified ca Recipients. For Recipients. For Individuals give	given to a user who is responsible for the development of funding announcements, application reviews, and the of award and post-award recommendations to be sent to Grants Management. Within Grants Online, only FPOs who can communicate between their own Program Offices and outside entities such as FALD, Grants Management, and For instance, an Uncertified FPO cannot "Certify" a PO Checklist or forward an Award File to Grants Management. iven this role are assumed to have obtained a certain level of training in the Grants Management arena.
Federal Program Officer - Uncertified This role is intendentiation officer, but care Officer, but care Certified Feder	ntended for persons who are on track to become Certified Federal Program Officers but have not yet obtained the redentials required by their Line Office. They may assist with all tasks normally done by a Certified Federal Program cannot forward any documents to entities outside of their own Program Office. The documents must be reassigned to a deral Program Officer for that purpose.
Finance Office This role is given a set of the set of t	given to the users who are responsible for the second step (ASAP Certification) of the 2-step process used in setting up in the ASAP System or adding funds to a current ASAP award. The first step is ASAP Authorization.

Finance Reviewer	This role is given to users who perform the preliminary Finance Office review of Financial Closeout documents. Workflow routing of tasks to this user is controlled by the "Reconciliation" checkbox on the deobligation memo.
GMAC (Grants Management Advisory Committee)	This role is reserved for the official members of the NOAA Grants Management Advisory Committee and their designated back-ups, along with the points of contact for the non-NOAA Bureaus. There are usually one or two GMAC users within each Line Office. The users with this role are responsible for authorizing the addition, update, or removal of Grants Online users within their respective Line Offices. They also provide input in prioritizing Grants Online system enhancement tickets.
Grants Officer	This role is reserved for Grants Management personnel who have been given authority to make award offers to recipients on behalf of DOC. They also make the final decisions with regard to approval or denial of Award Action Requests. This role is accompanied by a system enforced approval threshold for funding.
Grants Specialist	This role is given to Grants Management personnel who have responsibility for administrative processing of award files in preparation for DOC's offer to the recipient. They are also responsible for the review of Financial Reports and Award Action Request recommendations from the Program Offices.
Lead Budget Officer	The Lead Budget Officer has the responsibility of maintaining all of the Unique Account Descriptor codes in the Grants Online system for a particular Line Office.
NEPA Official/Coordinator	The NEPA Official reviews and approves the NEPA documentation as part of an Award File prior to submission to Grants Management.
NEPA Reviewer	The NEPA Reviewer provides an additional review of the NEPA documentation as part of an Award File prior to submission to Grants Management.
OLA	This role is given to a proxy Grants Online user account used to document the Bureau-level Legislative Affairs step in a funded award file workflow. When a task is routed to the OLA user, Grants Online sends a record to the Legislative Affairs system called WebDocFlow. A Grants Online notification is also sent to the email address associated with that proxy user account. Legislative Affairs users then log into the WebDocFlow system to complete appropriate actions related to congressional notification of awards. When their actions are completed in WebDocFlow a message is passed back to Grants Online to move the award to the next step of the workflow.
OLIA	This role is given to a proxy Grants Online user account used to document the Department-level Legislative Affairs step in a funded award file workflow. When a task is routed from the OLA user to the OLIA user within WebDocFlow, a message is transmitted to Grants Online which correspondingly moves the workflow in Grants Online to the OLIA step. A Grants Online notification is also sent to the email address associated with the OLIA proxy user account. When the OLIA actions are completed in WebDocFlow a message is passed back to Grants Online to move the award to the next step of the workflow.
Program Office Requestor	The role of Program Office Requestor is given to a user whose only function is to provide first-level "Requestor" approval on Procurement Requests (CD-435) prior to submission to the Budget Officer.
Program Office Reviewer	This role is usually given to a person who needs to be included in the workflow to review a Request For Application (RFA), a Procurement Request, or a Performance Progress Report (PPR) but has no other role in Grants Online.
Program Office Staff	This role is given to users who provide assistance to Federal Program Officers but do not have signature authority. They are able to create RFAs and/or Federal Funding Opportunity notices, input paper applications and approve (but not reject) Minimum Requirement Checklists, run the review process, and complete (but not certify) the PO checklist. Users with this role have the same access in Grante access in Uncertified Federal Program Officer, but are usually contract staff.

Progress Report Reviewer	This is a Federal Program Office role given to a user whose only responsibility is to review Performance Progress Reports received from the grant recipients. This functionality can also by done be users with other Program Office roles such as Federal Program Officer (Certified or Uncertified), Program Office Staff, and Program Office Reviewer.
Public Affairs Liaison	This role is given to users who need to be notified about grant awards for the purposes of preparing press releases and/or other Public Affairs type activities which are separate and distinct from the Congressional notifications performed by the Legislative Affairs offices.
Recipient Administrator	Users with this role have the permissions needed to set up other people in their organization as users of the Grants Online system and to give them access to specific awards as appropriate.
Recipient Authorized Representative	This role is intended for recipient users with signature authority to sign official grant documents such as an SF-424 (application), or countersign an Award document such as a CD-450 (new Award) or CD-451 (amendment). More than one person can have this role at any organization; however on each Award one person will be designated the primary "Authorized Representative." (Designation as "primary" does not provide any additional access to awards in Grants in Grants Online.)
Recipient Business/Finance Representative	This role should be given to recipient users who need to fill out Financial Reports (SF-425 and SF-270). There are two versions of this role - users with a "submitting" role can submit Financial Reports directly to the Federal Agency; users without the "submitting" role can only forward the Financial Reports to their Authorized Representative who can in turn submit them to the Federal Agency.
Recipient Principle Investigator	This role should be given to recipient users who need to fill out Performance Progress Reports (PPRs). There are two versions of this role - users with a "submitting" role can submit PPRs directly to DOC; users without the "submitting" role can only forward the PPRs to their Authorized Representative who can in turn submit them to DOC. Both versions of this role will allow the user to initiate an Award Action Request (AAR) but all AARs must first be forwarded to an Authorized Representative for submission to DOC.
RFA Publisher	This role is given to users who are responsible for posting grant opportunity notices at Grants.gov.
Selecting Official	The role of Selecting Official is given to a user who has the authority to approve the Selection Package generated from applications received in response to a Competitive funding announcement.
Vendor Control	This role is given to Finance Officer users who create and update vendors in CBS to be associated with Grants Online Organizations on an "interfaced" award. Obligations for "interfaced" awards are created and modified via transactions sent via webservices between Grants Online and CBS. For "non-interfaced" awards the obligations are created and updated manually. Vendor Control users do not get workflow in Grants Online for "non-interfaced" awards.
Vendor Validator	This role is given to Tier3 Help Desk personnel in the Grants Online Progam Management Office who perform data quality assurance tasks on Grants Online organizaton records before they are passed to the Vendor Control users in the Finance Office.
View Program Office (Line Office, Agency)	This role is available for Federal staff who need view-only access to Grants Files. The role is available at three different levels: Program Office, Line Office, or Bureau (Agency).



Grants Online Training

System Navigation

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Objective

Provide the Federal Program Officer (FPO) with step-by-step instructions to navigate Grants Online.

Accessing Grants Online

- 1. Click the Internet Explorer icon on your desktop or go to the Start Menu and locate the Internet Explorer icon. The Internet Explorer browser opens.
- 2. Type <u>https://grantsonline.rdc.noaa.gov</u> in the address bar of the browser and click the **Enter** button. The Grants Online home page/login screen appears.
- 3. Before logging into Grants Online, the user can access the public search feature, the Grants Online training page, and other useful links from this screen.





If the user enters his/her username or password incorrectly s/he will see a red error message on the screen. After three unsuccessful attempts to log in, the system locks the user out. The user must click on the "Forgot your <u>password</u>?" link and provide the correct responses to his/her security questions. If the issue is "Forgot your <u>username</u>?" click that link to obtain the Help Desk phone number. Access to certain Grants Online features is determined by the user's role. Each registered user is given a role and level of access sufficient to accomplish his/her assigned tasks.

Screen Layout

When the user has successfully signed into Grants Online, the system will default to the Inbox Tab. Grants Online is divided into several content areas:

- <u>**Tabs**</u>: Highlighted by a red border at the top of the screen. Use the tabs to navigate to the different areas of Grants Online.
- **<u>Navigation Pane</u>**: Highlighted by a green border on the left-hand side of the screen. The options displayed in the navigation pane are determined by the active tab. Click on the desired link to go to that content area of Grants Online.
- <u>Document Pane</u>: Highlighted by a black border located in the middle of the screen. This is where most of the Grants Online details and information are displayed.

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Pop-Up Short Cuts

When the user places the cursor over a tab at the top of the screen, s/he will see a pop-up menu that contains the same links as the left navigation pane for that tab. This allows the user to navigate directly to a content area without first having to click the tab.



Breadcrumbs

The Grants Online system keeps track of the pages the user has visited since s/he last signed on. The software puts a "breadcrumb trail" of those pages at the top of the document pane. This feature should be used instead of the browser's "Back" button.



Warning!

Please **DO NOT** use the browser's "Back" button in Grants Online. Using the browser's "Back" button may sign you out of Grants Online. When the user clicks the Help Tab, the following screen will display. Note the right side of the screen shows the Help Desk contact information and hours of availability. To access the Grants Online training, click the **Please click here to access Grants Online Training** link at the bottom of the screen.



Tasks

Notifications alert the user to an action or task they must complete. When a user selects a task, s/he has the opportunity to complete the action that is been assigned to him/her within the workflow.

Access a Task

1. From the Inbox Tab, click the **Tasks** link. A list of the user's available tasks is displayed.



NOTE: To customize the look and feel of Grants Online, use the Account Management Tab. Details associated with the Account Management Tab are covered later in this document.
View a Task

1. Click the View link next to the task you wish to view.

 Archived Notifications Notifications 	Your	Tasks										
 Task Management 	Docum	ent Type	Status									
• Tasks	All	•	Open •	Apply Filte	er >>							
	17 item	ns found, displayin	g all items.1									
	View/	Award Number	RFA Name		Task Received Date	Applicant Name	Task Id	Task Name	Task Status	Document Type	Document Id	Start I
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	<u>View</u>	VA14GOT9990070	Competitive RF/	041514	08/06/2014	SKILLIGALEE INC	2571209	Procurement Request and Commitment of Funds	Not Started	Procurement Request and Commitment of Funds	2259323	
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	<u>View</u>	VA14GOT9990070	Competitive RFA	041514	08/06/2014	SKILLIGALEE INC	2571076	Review Release of Funds	Not Started	Award File	2259283	

Filter a Task

- 1. Specify the Document Type from the dropdown list.
- Specify the Status from the dropdown list.
 Click the **Apply Filter** button.

Your Tasks			
Document Type	Status Open 🔻	Apply Filter >>	

4. The Tasks screen shows only the filtered tasks. NOTE: In this example, only the Open RFAs are visible.

You Docur RFA 4 item	r Tasks	S Status Open App displaying all items.1	bly Filter	>>					
View	RFA Id	RFA Name	REA Type	Task Id	Task Name	Task Status	Document Type	EEQ Id	Document Id
View	2259009	Student25_080414_Universal	N	2569643	Notify Recipients	In Progress	RFA		2259009
<u>View</u>	2256808	test 0508	Ν	2564265	Notify Recipients	In Progress	RFA		2256808
<u>View</u>	2256757	Universal RFA 042914	N	2556044	Notify Recipients	In Progress	RFA		2256757
<u>View</u>	2256176	Great Day For FPO Training (GDFFT)	N	2553586	Notify Recipients	In Progress	RFA		2256176

Account Management Tab

The Account Management Tab allows the user to view and update his/her profile; customize his/her notifications and tasks preferences; and delegate his/her Inbox to other users.



Access the User Profile

1. On the Account Management Tab, click the **My Profile** link. The Manage Profile screen is visible.

Manage Profile Edit >>	
Prefix Frist Nume: System Middle Name: Last Nume: User Affic: Person ID: 2012855 User Account Details User Name: aholt02 Active Flag: true	To reset his/her password, the user must provide correct responses to all security questions.
Organization Answer Text V What are the first three letters of the month in which your father was born? JAN V What are the first three letters of the month in which your mother was born? JAN What are the first three letters of the month in which your mother was born? FEB What is your younget; sister's birthday (MM/DD)? 01/02	If the user contacts the Help Desk for assistance with the password reset, s/he must provide an accurate response to all
Attiliations Organization Position Phone Address E-Mail Fax Primary Active Details Organization Position Phone Address E-Mail Fax Primary Active Details 1003209 Chesapeake GIS 301-444-1234 123 name street , Edgewater, MD 21037 USA ana.holt@noaa.gov true true Assigned Roles X <t< td=""><td>security questions. This ensures the Help Desk the user has the right to access the Grants Online</td></t<>	security questions. This ensures the Help Desk the user has the right to access the Grants Online
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NOTE: If a user wishes to change Program Office roles and/or affiliations, s/he must contact his/her Grants Management Advisory Council (GMAC) representative. That person will contact the Help Desk on behalf of the user.

Edit the User Profile

1. From the Manage Profile screen, click the Edit link.

_(No	Comments) Manage Profil	e Edit >>		
Prefix:	Ms.			
First Name:	Grants			
Middle Name	:			
Last Name: Affix:	Student25			
Person ID:	2010915			
User Accou	nt Details			
User Name:	gstudent25			
Active Flag:	true			
Security Q	uestions			
# Questio	n Text	Answer Text		
1 What is	your mother's maiden name?	Jan		
a Mileret In	your father's middle name?	Feb		
2 What is				

2. Click the **Details** link.

		5				
#	Question Text		Answer Text			
1	What is your mot	her's maiden name?	Jan			
2	What is your fath	er's middle name?	Feb			
3	What is your mot	her's middle name?	Mar			
	in Security Quest	lions				
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Affi De	iliations tails Org ID	Organization	Position	Phone	Address	E-Mail

3. When the screen shown below displays, click the Edit link.



4. Make the necessary changes and click the **Save** button. If the user opts to click the **Cancel** button, changes are not saved.

Affiliation View >>			
Organization Primary Flag Active Flag	GOT One Commerce Program Office (OCPO) true true * Primary affiliation must be active.		
Title			
Street Address *	20020 Century Blvd		
City *	Germantown		
State *	MD		
Zip *	20874-1143		
Country *	USA		
Mail Route			
Phone Number *	301-555-1212	Extension	
Alternate Phone Number		Extension	
Fax Number			
E-Mail *	testemail@msg2.rdc.noaa.gov		
Alternate E-Mail			
Save Cancel			

5. Click the **Done** button to finalize the process and return to the main Account Management screen.

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2 1	what is your me	other's maiden name?	Jan			
2	What is your fat	her's middle name?	Feb			
3 1	What is your me	other's middle name?	Mar			
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Det	ails Org ID	Organization	Position	Phone	Address	E-Mail
Deta	ails 2002468	GOT One Commerce Program Office (OCPO))	301- 555- 1212	20020 Century Blvd, Germantown, MD 20874- 1143 USA	testemail@msg2.rdc.noa
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User Preferences

The user may customize his/her viewing preferences by using the My Preferences link. The user may add/remove email Inbox notifications. This will remove notifications sent to the user's external email account only. Headings may be customized to display certain fields on the user's tasks and notifications screens. Additionally, the user may change his/her Grants Online password.

Access User Preferences

1. From the Account Management Tab, click the **My Preferences** link. The screen shown below is visible. At this point, the user can customize the page size, number of breadcrumbs, the look and feel, and the workflow warning.

Page Size	
Image: state	
Number of Bread Crumbs	
Look and Feel	
Look and Feel	
Workflow Warning	
Yes [+]	

2. Scroll to the bottom of the screen and click the **Save** button to capture the changes.



Customize Tasks

- 1. The user can modify his/her notifications by clicking on the **Notification Preferences** link (top potion of the image below). The modifications only impact the user's email Inbox; the Grants Online Inbox specifications cannot be modified.
- 2. The user can modify the type and order of preferences that display on the screen. To do so, click the **Task Preferences** link (bottom portion of the image below). The user can modify his/her preferences for General Tasks, RFA Tasks, Award Tasks, and Post Award Tasks.

		Grants Online Inbox	Email Inbox	
	System Generated Advisories			
	Password Expiration	- K	2	
	Scheduled Downtime	10	2	
	Policy Update	1	2	
	System Generated Workflow			
	Task Assignment	×	2	
	Item Submission	14	2	
	Delegation of Work	2	2	
	System Generated Notices			
	Expired Certification	*	2	
	Pending Due Date	8		
	Overdue Item	1.0		
	Task Preferences	7		
-++	Task Preferences General Tasks			
	Task Preferences General Tasks Available Columns	Selected	Columns .	

- 3. For the **Task Preferences**, use the Push [>>] and Pull [<<] functionality to specify the columns that will display in the user's Inbox.
- 4. For the **Task Preferences**, use the Up **up** or Down buttons to select the column order that should be displayed in the user's Inbox.
- 5. Click the **Save** button at the bottom of the screen.

Post Award Tasks Available Columns Please select an inbox column Project Title Proposal Number Total Federal Funding Approved Federal Funding Approved Federal Funding Task Received Date Award Start Date	کک در	Selected Columns Please select an inbox column Task Id Task Name Award Number Task Status Document Id Document Id Document Type Start Date Completed Date	*	Up Down
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Change the Password

1. Click the Change Password button on the User Preferences screen.

User Preferences	
Site Preferences	
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Number of Bread Crumbs	1
20 [+]	
	1
Look and Feel	
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	1
Workflow Warning	
Yes • [+]	
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Change Password	

- 2. When the change Password screen is visible, specify data for mandatory data fields indicated by a red asterisk (*).
 - Enter the old password*.
 - Enter the new password*.
 - Enter the new password again to confirm*.
- 3. Click the **Submit** button.

Change Password :*	 Password Guidelines : Passwords must contain at least twelve (12) non-blank characters. Passwords cannot contain quotation marks. Passwords are case sensitive. A Password must begin with an alphabetic character. At least one of the characters must be a number(0-9). At least one of the characters must be a special character. The only special ch underscore "_, dollar sign "s", and pound sign "s". Six of the characters must odifferent than the previous password. Passwords must not contain the user's account name or parts of the user's ful consecutive characters.
NOTE: Once the password is successfully modified you will be redirected to login page	

NOTE: Follow the Password Guidelines as detailed on the upper righthand side of the screen. **ONLY** the following special characters are valid: underscore "_", dollar sign "\$", and pound sign "#".

User Delegations

When the user selects the **My Delegations** link on the Account Management Tab, s/he will be able to view existing delegates, add delegates, and rescind delegates. A user can only select as a delegate a person with an access level that matches his/hers. For example, a certified Program Officer cannot delegate to someone who has a lower level of access (e.g., an uncertified Program Officer or a program office staff member). In addition to an equivalent level of access, the delegate must have the same organizational affiliation as the delegator.

Access User Delegations

1. From the Account Management Tab, click the **My Delegations** link. The Delegate Authority screen is visible.

Delegate	Authority					
You current	You currently have no peers on your list of delegates					
Search for P Please note th	eers at this search will only cove	r those users who mat	ch the criteria and have at least the same permissions as you do.			
First Name:		1				
Last Name:]				
Organization:]				
Role:	AGO ASAP Authorizer Award Mailer Budget Officer	-				

Add A Delegate

- 1. Search for the user(s) who will be chosen as a delegate using the first name, last name, organization or role.
- 2. Click the Find Peers button.

Delegate	Authority
You currentl	y have no peers on your list of delegates
Search for Pe Please note th	eers at this search will only cover those users who match the criteria and have at least the same permissions as you do.
First Name:	
Last Name:	student
Organization:	
Role:	AGO ASAP Authorizer Award Mailer Budget Officer
Find Peers	

3. When the search results are returned, choose the user(s) you would like to assign as a delegate. Click the **Delegate** button.

Delegate	Authority
You currently	y have no peers on your list of delegates
Search for Pe Please note th	eers at this search will only cover those users who match the criteria and have at least the same permissions as you
First Name:	
Last Name:	student
Organization:	
Role:	AGO A ASAP Authorizer Award Mailer Budget Officer
Find Peers	
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Delegate	

4. The screen shot below is visible when a person is successfully chosen as a delegate. To specify additional delegates, repeat steps 2-3 as many times as is necessary.

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Search for Peers Please note that this search will only cover those users who match the criteria and have at least the same permi	
Last Name:	
Organization:	
Role: AGO	
Role: AGO	
Role: AGO ASAP Authorizer	

Rescind A Delegation

- 1. From the Account Management Tab, click the **My Delegations** link. The Delegate Authority screen is visible. If the user has assigned one or more person(s) as a delegate, the **Current Peers on Delegation List** will display; otherwise, the user is only presented with the option to Search for Peers.
- 2. Click the **Rescind** link next to the name of the individual(s) you would like to remove as a delegate.

Current Peers	on delegation List:	DI	E		TH- O	
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Please note tha First Name:	at this search will only cover	those users who	match the criteria and have at lea	ast the	e same pe	ermissions as you do.
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Please note tha First Name: Last Name: Organization:	at this search will only cover	r those users who	match the criteria and have at lea	ast the	e same pe	ermissions as you do.
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Log In As A Delegate

- 1. The user should log in to Grants Online with his/her normal user name.
- 2. Click the **OK** button on the Notice to Users page.
- 3. Choose to continue as yourself (click the **Continue to Inbox** link).

-or-

Access Grants Online as the person who assigned you authority to access his/her account (click the **Select** link next to the person's name).





NOTE: When a user is signed into Grants Online as a delegate, the system will identify him/her as a delegate of that individual (see below). The tasks displayed on the screen are the tasks the delegate may perform on behalf of the original user. Both the user and the delegate can work in Grants Online simultaneously.

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 Archived Notifications 			1								
Notifications	You	r Tasks					Current	user is	operati	ng as th	e
→ Task							Delegate	for G	student0	0.	
Management	Docur	ment Type	Status								
• Tasks	All	•	Open	Apply	/ Filter >>						
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	View	Award Number	Proposal Number	Task Received Date	Start Date	Task Id	<u>Task Name</u>	<u>Task</u> Status	Document Type	Document Id	Applicant Name
	View	N/A	N/A	09/06/2014		2572977	Notify Recipients	Not Started	RFA	2258903	N/A
	<u>View</u>	N/A	N/A	08/06/2014	08/06/2014	2571285	Manage Review Event	In Progress	Review Event	2259327	N/A
	<u>View</u>	N/A	N/A	08/06/2014	08/06/2014	2571283	Conduct Negotiations	In Progress	Application	2259329	bangor - lillian





Grants Online Training

Universal RFA Creation & Application Processing

August 2015



<u>Universal</u> and <u>Competitive</u> RFA Fields Posted to Grants.gov

- Opportunity Number Federal Opportunity Number
- Opportunity Title RFA Name
- Opportunity Category (Competitive RFA → "Discretionary"; Universal RFA → "Other")
- Category Explanation (If Opportunity Category is other): RFA Type
- CFDA Number
- Posting Date Publication Date
- Close Date Application Due Date
- Close Date Explanation As Needed
- Agency Contact RFA Publisher (Person listed as contact for users having difficulty downloading application forms)
- Email Address Email address of Agency Contact
- Open Date Most of the time, same as the Posting Date
- Application Package Forms listed on Application Package Details screen
- Application Instructions File attached to Application Package Details screen, or generic instructions if no file was attached

NOTES:

- 1. The Assigned Program Officer for the RFA must be a "Certified FPO" to advance documents to the next step in the workflow process.
- 2. For both <u>Universal</u> and <u>Competitive</u> RFAs the user should know the person(s) in his/her Program Office who will receive the application(s) for the initial Minimum Requirements Check.





When adding a recipient to the RFA use the DUNS number to perform the lookup.

RANTS CONTRACTOR	1 Start IIII - RFA Creator	to copy RFA 2 from existing or create new RFA	Create via links on RFA Details	RFAName, Fiscal Year, CFDANumber, Universal RFA Type	4 RFA Routing Slip (select optional reviewer if needed)	5 Start Workflow
			м	atching Requirement		
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Most NOAA Program Offices use the Standard Non-Construction application package. If the Program Office has specific instructions for the recipient they may be attached to the Application Package screen. Otherwise, the RFA Publisher will upload a generic document.









Grant Applicant Email

- From: GrantsOnLine.test@noaa.gov (GrantsOnLine.test@noaa.gov)
- To: grant.applicant@gmail.com
- Date: Wednesday, December 10, 2014 8:54:40 AM

Subject: Notice of NOAA posting of Application Package at Grants.gov

This is an automated notification from NOAA Grants Online that an application package has been posted at Grants.gov and you have been selected by the posting Program Officer for notification.

The Grants.gov URL is: <u>http://www.grants.gov</u>. If not registered for Grants.gov, please begin the registration process immediately. It can take up to 2 weeks to fulfill all the registration requirements.

To retrieve an application package from the Grants.gov home page:

- 1. From the Grants.gov home screen, click the Applicants tab.
- 2. The user may click either the Search for Grant Opportunities link or the Apply for a Grant Opportunity Today link.
- 3. If the user selects the Apply for a Grant Opportunity Today link, click the Download Application Package button.
- 4. Enter the following Funding Opportunity Number:
 - NOAA-ONPO-2015-2001279
- 5. From the Actions column, click the Select Application Package to Download link.
- The user should supply his/her email address so s/he can be notified of changes to the application before the closing date. If the user does not provide an email address, s/he cannot be apprised of changes to the application
- requirements. This limits his/her knowledge of all conditions that must be met to be selected for an award.
- 7. Click the Download Application Instruction link.
- 8. Click the Download Application Package link.
- 9. Complete the fillable pdf form and submit.

Information on the NOAA Request for Applications (RFA):

RFA Name:	Generating Sample Notifications
Fiscal Year:	2015
CFDA Number:	11.999
Opportunity	
Number:	NOAA-ONPO-2015-2001279
Agency:	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
Opening Date:	2014-12-10 10:54:01.0
Pgm Office:	One NOAA Program Office (ONPO)
Pgm Officer:	Program Officer
Closing Date:	2015-09-30 17:30:00.00

NOTE: Please contact the NOAA Program Officer for verification of when an application must be submitted for timely award processing.

For further information contact:

Name:	Program Officer
Phone:	301-555-1212
Address:	14th Street & Constitution Avenue, NW
	Washington, DC 20230
Email:	federal.program.officer@noaa.gov



We will use the sample application in the training package for data entry.

A review event is optional for the Universal process.

CALINE COLLINE	Applications submitted through Grants.gov 1 Create via Application Tab NOAA Input Paper Applications for RFA	Assigned Program Officer Assigned Program Officer Assigned Approve/Reject Min. Checklist (1/App.) Approve/Reject Min. Req. Approve/Reject Min. Req. (1/App.)
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To start, select the "Input Paper Applications" menu item from the Application tab. The data on the Application Details screen will already be filled in if the application was exported from Grants.gov. However, if a paper application is received by the Program Office the data must be entered on this screen. Only the fields marked with an asterisk are required for the application processing to continue.

The Application Details screen contains most of the fields found on an SF-424. After entering all required fields, click "Save as Draft." If you have missed any required fields you will see an error message with guidance regarding the missing fields.

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The "Total Funding" amount includes both Federal and matching funds.



If the "No" radio button is selected on any of the items comprising the Minimum Requirements Checklist, a comment should be entered in the associated comments box or in the Overall Comments box (typically at the bottom of the screen). The user will not be allowed to save the screen without a comment if a "No" radio button has been selected.









- An additional identifier on the Organization Profile called the "Cage Code" may be returned in the search results. The Cage Code is a data field from the System for Award Management (SAM).
- 2. Only active records are returned in the search results. If for some reason an organization is marked as inactive in the Grants Online database it will not show up in the search results even though it may be associated with a current award or closed award. For example, when an organization converts from non-ASAP to ASAP, the non-ASAP record will be made inactive so that it cannot be selected for a new award. If there are any closed awards for that organization before it coverts to ASAP, they will remain associated with the non-ASAP record but the active ones will become associated with the ASAP record.
- 3. You will be able to tell whether or not an organization is already set up in ASAP by the presence of an ASAP ID in the search results. If an organization record is non-ASAP, but that Organization has been ASAP in the past, please contact the Grants Online Help Desk.



Add Organization

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A required checkbox has been added to the PO Checklist so the user can indicate if s/he has verified the EIN and DUNS number the recipient entered on the submitted paper application. On occasion, there have been typos in the EIN or DUNS number on the application. Those typos frequently lead to inaccuracies in the organization's profile information and contribute to the grant being linked to an incorrect vendor in the CBS system. The ideal time to check this information is during the "Conduct Negotiations" process step (Universal RFA) or "Assign Award Number/Recipient" process step (Competitive RFA).

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- In the Universal application process, the Provisional Organization workflow is initiated at the same time as the PO Checklist, NEPA, and Procurement Request when the FPO selects "Negotiations Complete." However, the Organization Profile task for the Provisional Organization Workflow is not in the FPO's Inbox. Rather it is created in the Inbox of a new Grants Online user called the Data Quality Validator. The FPO can monitor the progress of the Organization Profile by checking under "Pending Actions" on the Award File launch page.
- Until the Provisional Organization workflow is completed, the FPO will not have an option to Certify the PO Checklist and the Budget Officer will not have an option to Approve the Procurement Request.
- The user will have either two (2) or three (3) new tasks in his/her Inbox. (If there are no new tasks in the Inbox, click the Inbox tab to refresh the screen display.) Only NOAA, NTIA, and EDA receive the NEPA Document. The other bureaus only receive the PO Checklist and the Procurement Request.
- An Award File has also been created in the database. These tasks will move along separate workflow paths but will become a part of the same Award File in the Grants Specialist's Inbox. The tasks do not have to be completed in any particular order. However, the Grants Specialist may return an "incomplete" Award File to the FPO. The Grants Specialist cannot proceed to the next step until all documents that comprise the Award File are complete. The user should periodically check the Workflow History to ensure the Procurement Request (and if appropriate the NEPA) have completed their approval process before forwarding the Award File to the Grants Specialist. (The task with the option to forward the Award File to the Grants Specialist.)





NOAA, NTIA, and EDA ONLY

From the Action Dropdown menu, select "Complete NEPA Document" and click the Submit button. The NEPA Details screen displays three questions for which the user must provide a response. After responding to the questions, add any relevant attachments and identify the NEPA Official who will perform the final NEPA approval.

NOTE: The user can opt to send the NEPA document to NEPA Reviewers prior to forwarding to the NEPA Official. In that scenario, the NEPA document is sent to all identified NEPA Reviewers for the user's Program Office. The NEPA Reviewer who acts on the task first is the "owner"; the task is removed from the Inbox of all remaining NEPA Reviewers.

For this class select "Internal Reviewer" as the NEPA Official. After clicking Save and Return to Main, select "Forward NEPA Document" from the Action dropdown menu and click the Submit button. The user is redirected to his/her Inbox where s/he will see the NEPA Document task is no longer visible. The task has advanced to the next step in the workflow. The user can locate old tasks by changing the filter on his/her Inbox from "Open" to "Closed."

NOTE: For additional information regarding the NEPA process, please reference:

<u>http://www.corporateservices.noaa.gov/grantsonline/NEPA_Guidance.</u> html





- Next, select the "Procurement Request" task from the Inbox and then select "Complete Procurement Request and Commitment of Funds" from the Action dropdown menu. Note that this "Procurement Request" is only for the first year of funding. We will discuss how to fund the outyears during the Post Award class.
- Fill in Authorizing Official (Internal Reviewer) and Requestor (During class each student should use his/her own training ID (e.g., gstudent01). Select Save.
- Now the "Requisition Number" and "Ship To" boxes have been populated by the system. Notice the data in the "Description" box. If the Procurement Request is completed before the PO Checklist, the Grant Type (Grant or Cooperative Agreement) is not available to be filled in. If necessary, this field can be manually updated.

FY 2015 UPDATE

- The Department of Treasury's Bureau of Fiscal Services mandated changes that impact how some NOAA awards are processed by Automated Standard Application for Payments (ASAP). Prior to FY 2015, all NOAA Awards were processed as *Regular Accounts*. Going forward (starting with FY 2015) new NOAA awards, except Cooperative Initiative (CI) awards, will be processed as *Control Detail Accounts*.
- For a detailed discussion of the conventions and rules associated with <u>Control Detail Accounts</u>, please refer to the Training Manual reference: <u>http://www.corporateservices.noaa.gov/grantsonline/Documents/ASAP_FP02015Feb.pdf</u>
- The essential data entry requirements for the two award types, and the corresponding ACCS Lines, will be discussed at a high level.


Regular Accounts

 When a recipient logs into ASAP to draw down funds from a Regular Account award, s/he requests an amount that will be deducted from the total balance of the award's authorized funds. When entering the ACCS Lines for this type of award, standard procedures will apply.

Control Detail Accounts

- Each Control Detail Account award has an authorized total award funding amount. The total award funding amount is divided into to smaller subunits, each of which is associated with a Unique Account ID. When requesting payments from the award account, the recipient must specify one or more Unique Account IDs and the draw down amount for each Unique Account ID. When entering the ACCS Lines for a Control Detail account, additional requirements apply.
- To facilitate the use of Unique Account Descriptors, a new Grants Online role has been created – the Lead Budget Officer. The person in this role is responsible for maintaining all Unique Account Descriptor codes in the Grants Online system for a particular Line Office.

ACCS Lines (Regular Accounts)

 The user must supply data for the ACCS Lines. To complete this task, select the "Add New ACCS Lines" link. The "Fiscal Year" defaults to the current fiscal year but can be changed by any user who has the right to edit the contents of this screen. The "Prior Year Fund" indicator is automatically set by the system based on the data in the "Fiscal Year" field.



ACCS Lines (Control Detail Accounts)

- To supply data for Control Detail Accounts ACCS Lines, click the "Add New ACCS Lines" link. As for the Regular Accounts, the "Fiscal Year" defaults to the current fiscal year but can be changed by any user who has the right to edit the contents of this screen. The "Prior Year Fund" indicator is automatically set by the system based on the data in the "Fiscal Year" field.
- In addition to the usual information, a Unique Account Descriptor and a Fund Type must be entered.
 - When data for Project, Task, Organization, Object Class, and Amount is entered; Fund Type is populated based upon the Project and Task.
 - · Click the Save button.
 - The new ACCS Line displays at the bottom of the screen.

NOTE: The Data Warehouse (DW) Validation is an optional step for the Federal Program Officer or Program Office staff user. That step is not a prerequisite to add the Account Descriptor. However, DWValidate must be completed before the Budget Officer can approve the Procurement Request.

- Click the Select Descriptor link to specify the Unique Account Descriptor.
- Based upon the line office, a list of the available Unique Account Descriptor is visible.
- To filter by a Program Office, select the appropriate Program Office from the dropdown list and click the Apply Filter button.
- Click the Select link next to the Unique Account Descriptor to complete the ACCS Line information that should be added to the Procurement Request.



- After entering the ACCS information.
 - Click the Save button.
 - Click the DWValidate button to validate the data against the CBS Data Warehouse tables. If the validation is successful, the Program Code is populated.
 - When the user enters a valid ACCS Line, the words "The ACCS is Valid" displays at the top of the Accounting – ACCS Line section of the screen. In addition, the word "True" displays next to the Validated field.
 - Click the Cancel/Done button to return to the previous screen.
 - Continue to process and forward the Procurement Request as usual.

• A validated ACCS Line for a Regular Account:

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- The CBS Validator feature applies only to Interfaced Awards. Currently, NOAA is the only Bureau with Interfaced Awards.
- There is a CBSValidate button on the main Procurement Request screen. After entering the ACCS line(s), this button can be used to check for sufficient funds. The CBSValidate process also validates each component of the ACCS line and ensures the organization has been linked to a valid vendor in CBS. The results of the CBS validation process are displayed at the top of the Procurement Request screen. If any edits checks are not passed, a CBS error message indicates the cause of the validation failure.

NOTE: CBS validation is only required for the Budget Officer. The functionality, however, is also available to the FPO and Requestor.

- The amount of the "PRCF Total for this Award action" must be equal to or less than the amount in "Total Federal Funds Authorized For This Award Action."
- If the user needs to create more than one Procurement Request to send through different approval routes, s/he can select "Create New Procurement Request." Remember, if there is more than one Procurement Request for an Award, the total funding for all requests must be equal to or less than the Total Federal Funds.
- Select "Save and Return to Main" to prepare to start the workflow. The user is returned to the Procurement Request launch page.
- From the Action dropdown menu select "Forward Procurement Request to Requestor" to begin workflow. Since the user has selected himself/herself as the requestor s/he will have a new task in his/her Inbox to "Review the Procurement Request."
- Navigate to the Inbox, click the Tasks link and select that task. Select "Approve Procurement Request" from the dropdown menu.



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The user now has one more task in his/her Inbox to complete for this application: "Complete PO Checklist." Click on that task and go to the details page. Fill out this form carefully. Each section is important.

- Statutory Authority Data must be entered. The information can be modified by Grants Management; however, NOAA policy specifies that the FPO should enter complete and accurate information.
- Project Description/Abstract Do not use abbreviations. This is the information that is used for congressional notifications and for press releases.
- The user should verify the accuracy of the EIN and DUNS; indicate verification by marking the checkbox on the General Award Information section of the screen. Verifying those two variables will diminish the possibility of errors that delay receiving applications and processing the award.
- Matching Requirements
 - a. If using a ratio, remember that the number on the left of the colon plus the number on the right of the colon equals to the total number of even parts. (Ex: 1:4 ratio means that the award total is divided into 5 equal parts with the recipient contributing a match of 1 part for every 4 parts of the Federal share). Using real numbers, for a \$500,000 total award there is \$100,000 in matching funds to \$400,000 in Federal funds.
 - b. If using percentages, the percentage is based on the total award (Federal plus match), not a percentage of just the Federal funds. (Ex. A 20% match means that the total award contains 80% Federal funds and 20% matching funds). Using real numbers, for a \$500,000 total award there is \$100,000 in matching funds (20% of \$500,000) to \$400,000 in Federal funds (80% of \$500,000).
- The correct "Special Award Conditions" links must be used for Grants Online to associate the condition with that item in the "PO Checklist." The "Special Award Conditions" at the bottom of the page should be used only for additional programmatic award conditions not covered elsewhere on the page.





- When the Award File has been forwarded to Grants Management there are several additional steps that take place before the award offer is sent to the recipient. NOAA Grants Management has 60 days to complete its review and approval process.
- If funds have been removed from the ASAP accounts used on the "Procurement Request" after the award file was sent to Grants Management, the Grants Officer will not be able to approve the award and will return it to the Program Office to remedy the situation.
- If the recipient organization record attached to the application is not indicated as ASAP, the ASAP steps on this workflow will be skipped. Subsequently, the recipient must use an "Organization Profile Change Request " to initiate their ASAP enrollment after the award has been accepted. This process must still take place even if a "Non-ASAP" organization was accidently associated with the application instead of the ASAP record for that organization.
- For non-NOAA bureaus (except EDA) using Grants Online, all awards are routed to WebDocFlow for OLIA clearance, irrespective of award amount. In addition, this rule applies to awards that require bureaulevel OLA clearance. For NOAA, the determining factor for WebDocFlow routing is the award amount. For EDA, the OLIA and OLA tasks are manually cleared.

Federal Program Officer Training Agenda

Day 2

Competitive RFA / Federal Funding Opportunity (FFO) Creation		
Application Review and Processing		
Introduction and Agenda		
Online Demonstration/Process Maps		
Hands-On Participation – Creating a Competitive RFA		
Online Demonstration/Process Maps		
Hands-On Participation – Processing Applications for a Competitive RFA		
Wrap Up:		
Additional Resources and Training		
Questions and Concerns		

OBJECTIVES – By the end of the day, students should:

- Understand the difference between a Competitive RFA and a Universal RFA (previously called "Non-Competitive")
- Understand the difference between the Certified and Uncertified Federal Program Officer/Program Office Staff roles
- Create a Competitive RFA and route documents for publication
- Input a paper application and complete the "Review Minimum Requirements" task
- Understand the Competition Manager and Selection Official functions in the Competitive RFA workflow
- Conduct Negotiations and prepare an Award File for Grants Management review
- Understand the Award File approval and acceptance process
- Know where to find help when needed

TRAINING MATERIALS:

- 1. Agenda and Objectives
- 2. Process Maps and Screen Shots





Grants Online Training

Competitive RFA / FFO Creation

August 2015





<u>Universal</u> and <u>Competitive</u> RFA Fields Posted to Grants.gov

- Opportunity Number Federal Opportunity Number
- Opportunity Title RFA Name
- Opportunity Category (Competitive RFA → "Discretionary"; Universal RFA → "Other")
- Category Explanation (If Opportunity Category is "Other"): RFA Type
- CFDA Number
- Posting Date Publication Date
- Close Date Application Due Date
- Close Date Explanation As Needed
- Agency Contact RFA Publisher (Person listed as contact for users having difficulty downloading the application forms)
- Email Address Email address of Agency Contact
- Open Date Most of the time, same as the Posting Date
- Application Package Forms listed on Application Package Details screen
- Application Instructions File attached to Application Package Details screen, or generic instructions if no file was attached

Notes:

1. The assigned Program Officer for the RFA must be a "Certified FPO" to advance documents to the next step in the workflow process.

2. For both <u>Universal</u> and <u>Competitive</u> RFAs the user should know the person(s) in his/her Program Office who will receive the application(s) for the initial Minimum Requirements Check.



Additional RFA Fields Posted to Grants.gov for <u>Competitive</u> Announcements

- Eligible Applicants FFO Details screen, Section III. A
- Cost-Sharing or Matching Requirement "Yes" or "No" (based on FFO) Details screen, Section III. B
- Expected Number of Awards Anticipated Number of Awards (Min)
- Estimated Total Program Funding Anticipated Funding Amount
- Award Ceiling Anticipated Award Amount (Max)
- Award Floor Anticipated Award Amount (Min)
- Funding Opportunity Description FFO Details screen, Executive Summary, Funding Opportunity Description
- Competition ID System Generated ID for the Competition(s) associated with the RFA
- Competition Title Competition Details screen, Competition Name

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- All RFA workflow processes fall into two main categories "Competitive" and "Universal."
- All sub-categories listed on the "Create RFA" screen (with the exception of "Competitive") follow the "Universal" workflow process. For this class, select "Competitive" as the RFA type and "Create New from Scratch" as the Action.
- On the next screen enter the RFA Name and Fiscal year. For class, the RFA name should include the user's training id (e.g., Grants Studentxx). This will make it easier to locate the RFA in future searches. The user may also want to include the current date as a part of the RFA name. For this class, set Anticipated Publication Date to tomorrow's date.
- Select One Commerce Program Office (OCPO) and the training instructor as the Assigned Program Officer. Select the only available CFDA Number. Click Save.
- NOTE: The Funding Opportunity Number (FON) has now been generated. The FON is comprised of the following components:

First component - Bureau (for training - "NOAA")

Second component – Line Office (for training – "GOT")

 ${\bf NOTE:}\,$ For organizations where the Bureau and Line Office are the same, the Line Office is not included

Third component - Program Office (for training - "OCPO")

Fourth component - Next 4 characters reference the Fiscal Year

Fifth component – The last 7 characters are a system-generated number

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As of April FY 2011 – FRNs are no longer required for any Grant Programs. Always click on the 1st radio button.



Program Elements can be assigned custom labels. Applications that will later be associated with this RFA can be linked to one (and only one) of the Program Elements defined at this step.

Prior to adding details for the Competition, be certain to save the data entered thus far for the RFA.

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	Anticipated Anard Date * Days after Application Due Date View Anticipated Competition Schedule Review Criteria Type: * @Agency Standard @Felowship <u>Guidance</u>	Review Events * NOTE: No Review Events available. Review Events are required for the Competitive Process but can be completed outside of Grants Online. Save Save and Return to Main



 By default, the RFA name is the same as the Competition Name. Make changes as appropriate. Enter the Fiscal Year.

NOTE: There can be competitions for more than one fiscal year in a single RFA.

 In most cases the user will select "Group" for Competition Type (see the distinction between the Competition Types below).

Group – All applications are due at the same time and evaluated against each other.

Individual Qualification – Applications are typically due over the course of a fiscal year and only need to meet or exceed an absolute standard to be funded.

- Remember to Save often.
- You now have a page to add additional details for this Competition.
 Follow the step below to enter data into the blue boxes.
 - 1. Select "Internal Reviewer" for the Selecting Official.
 - 2. Under "Anticipated Competition Schedule" the Application Due date can be set as a hard date or a "relative" date based upon the actual publication date. The determining factor is how close the application due date is to the anticipated posting date in Grants.gov.
 - 3. Select "View Anticipated Competition Schedule" to view the system-calculated dates.
- NOTE: The user who receives a routed application becomes the "Assigned Program Officer" for that application and will get the tasks to "Conduct Negotiations" and three Award File tasks: 1) the PO Checklist;
 2) Procurement Request; and 3) NEPA Document. If the user who receives a routed application is NOT a Certified FPO, the application will have to be reassigned to a Certified FPO prior to PO Checklist certification.
- Click the "Save" button at the bottom of the screen before moving on to the next sections.



At this point, you need to know some basic information regarding the Review Event(s). These details should reflect the information posted in the FFO regarding evaluation criteria and, for the most part, should not be changed after the FFO has been posted. The Review Event start and end dates can be modified as needed.

When you select "Save and Return to Main" you will go to the launch page for this new Review Event (not back to the Competition Details page from which you navigated).



From the Review Event Launch page navigate to the Competition to verify the information is complete and accurate. The next step is to navigate to the RFA and begin creating the FFO.





- Data previously entered into other parts of the RFA will not carry over to these fields. This forces the user to format the paragraphs appropriately for publication. Similarly, if the "Create New from Existing" option was used to create the RFA, the publication's fields are blank. Again this forces the user to format the paragraphs
- Formatting (bold, italics, underline, etc.) is currently unavailable at this time for FFOs. This restriction is because of the historical link to
- To have both windows open on one screen right click the "Guidance Documents" link and specify it should be opened in a new window. Resize both windows so the FFO screen and guidance screen can be displayed side-by-side. Use the samples from the guidance document to complete information for the FFO. The user must customize the sample for his/her Opportunity notice. Use the "Preceding" and "Subsequent" links to move through the guidance pages.
 - NOTE: When creating a new RFA from an existing RFA, the user can open a second window with a plain text version of the old FFO. That facilitates copying and pasting data into the new RFA – one field at a time, making appropriate changes as you go.
- For the instances where there is a "soft" date based on the publication date of the Federal Register Notice the user should use the phrase <INSERT DATE 45 DAYS AFTER PUBLICATION>. The user also has the option to specify the appropriate number of days based
- Do not indent the first paragraph of any section the system automatically indents the text. Subsequent paragraphs in the FFO for
- As data is entered into the various sections of the outline the "empty" tag changes to a check mark. This is an indicator that the user has entered data for that section. As needed, the user may return to that section and edit data. If all data is removed from a section, the "empty" tag again displays.

NMFS requires a funding statement under Funding Availability that states: "Actual funding availability for this program is contingent upon Fiscal Year



The only customizable portion of the FFO Routing slip is the Optional Reviewer section. The Assigned Program Officer is copied from the RFA details. The Grants Specialist is the current lead Grants Specialist in for the user's Line Office and CFDA Number. When the FFO goes to FALD and to the RFA Publisher, all users with those roles in the user's agency will receive a task. The first user to take an action on the task will become the owner and it will be cleared from the inboxes of other users to whom the task was sent.





Grants Online Training

Competitive RFA Review and Processing

August 2015



Applications submitted through Grants.gov 1 Create via Application Tab NOAA Create via Application Tab Input Paper Applications for RFA	Assigned Program Officer Assigned Program Officer Assigned Approve/Reject Min. Review Min. Req. Checklist (1/App.) Approve/Reject Min. Req. Checklist (1/App.)
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- To begin, select the "Input Paper Applications" menu option on the Applications tab. The data on the Application Details screen will be populated if the application is imported from Grants.gov. However, if a paper application is received by the Program Office the data must be entered into Grants Online. Only the fields marked with an asterisk are required for the application processing to continue.
- The Application Details screen contains most of the fields included on a SF-424. After entering required fields click "Save as Draft." If the user does not supply data for all required fields s/he receives an error message with guidance regarding the missing data.
- Be certain to include the student username (GSTUDENTxx) in the Project Title. Adhering to that naming convention will make future identification and/or location of the RFA easier.



The "Total Funding" amount includes both Federal and matching amounts.



If the "No" radio button is selected for any item in the Minimum Requirements Checklist, a comment must be entered in the associated comments box or in the Overall Comments box at the bottom. The user will not be able to save the screen's data content until s/he enters a comment.







- Before starting the Review Event, the Reviewer Instructions must be reviewed by FALD. The FPO does not have a task to start the Reviewer Instructions workflow. The Review Event is started by navigating to the Competition launch page and clicking the ID link for Reviewer Instructions (under the sub-documents section).
- Two sections comprise the Reviewer Instructions details page. Only the top section is mandatory. An attachment must be added before workflow can be started.
- The bottom section is not for FALD. The logistical instructions are only for the reviewers. The main function of this section is to provide instructions to panel reviewers associated with the logistics of convening a panel to review the proposals.

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- Initially there is not a Review Event task in the Inbox. Therefore, the Competition Manager should navigate to the Review Event Launch Page (from the sub-documents section of the Competition Launch Page). When the Competition Manager completes that process, the "Start the Review Event" option is now available on the Action dropdown menu. Remember, the option to Start the Review Event will only be available if the Reviewer Instructions task has been completed by FALD.
- When the Review Event has been started by the Competition Manger a "Manage Review Event" task goes to the Review Event Manager. The Review Event functionality will be demonstrated during the Open Forum session on Wednesday afternoon.



For further training material, please refer to item #15 on the PMO website:

Review Event Quick Reference Guides

- Creating a Review Event
- Conducting a Review Event
- Conducting an Application Review





During the class, the Select Applications workflow will be demonstrated using the Instructor's RFA. Students will have tasks at Steps 9-11 to assign award numbers to the application. This step is functionally the same as the "Conduct Negotiations" step of the Universal Application Processing workflow.





- The "Assign Award Number/Recipient" task is now with each Assigned Program Officer.
- The initial step is to link the application to a recipient organization record in the Grants Online database.
 - a. An additional identifier on the Organization Profile called the "Cage Code" may be returned in the search results. The Cage Code is a data field from the System for Award Management (SAM).
 - b. Only active records will be returned in the search results. If for some reason an organization is marked as inactive in the Grants Online database it will not show up in the search results although it may be associated with a current award or closed award. For example, when an organization converts from non-ASAP to ASAP, the non-ASAP record is deactivated to prevent it from being selected for a new award. If there are any closed awards for that organization before it coverts to ASAP, they will remain associated with the non-ASAP record. However, the active awards will become associated with the ASAP record.
 - c. The user will be able to tell whether or not an organization is already set up in ASAP by the presence of an ASAP ID in the search results.

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- When adding a new organization the user must select his/her Bureau at the top of the page. The user may enter his/her organization's Cage Code at the bottom of the page (if that information is known or available).
- A required checkbox has been added to the PO Checklist. That requires the user provide confirmation that s/he has verified the EIN and DUNS number the recipient entered on the submitted application. Typos in the EIN or DUNS number on the application have the potential to cause inaccuracies in the organization's profile information. In addition, typos may cause to the grant to be linked to an incorrect vendor in the CBS system. The ideal time to check this information is during the "Conduct Negotiations" (Universal) or "Assign Award Number/Recipient" (Competitive) step.

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- We are currently working on a new award. When working on a continuation amendment, the user will only have the option to select an organization identified on the original award.
- When the Award number has been generated, click "Save and Return to Main." Next, select the option to "Forward to Competition Manager for Selection Package." After the last application has completed this step, the Competition Manager will receive the next task to Review the Selection Package. After the Competition Manager reviews the package, it can be prepared for approval by the Selecting Official and FALD.
- Please note that a multiple year award refers to an award that spans across more than one year. A multi-year award would have more than one line of funding; whereas a multiple year award would not necessarily have more than one line of funding.







Steps 12-15

- At this point, the Competition Manager attaches all of the pertinent Selection Package documents (e.g., Reviews, Conflict of Interest Forms, Rank Order of Applications, etc.) to the Selection Package. The Selection Package and all its component parts, are sent for final approval.
- If the Selecting Official does not log into Grants Online, a copy of the Approving Document with the signature of the Selecting Official should be scanned and included as an attachment with the Selection Package.

Steps 16-17

 This constitutes the Selecting Official's approval of the Selection Package.

Steps 18-19

If satisfied with the Selection Package, the FALD attorney will initiate the Award File workflow by choosing the "No Legal Objection" option. This will generate another "Selection Package" task for the Competition Manager. At this point the Competition Manager can, at their discretion, select additional applications and send the Selection Package back through the approval process.

NOTE: If FALD has issues with the Selection Package, they may return it to the Selecting Official <u>once</u> with the action: "FALD Comment." The Selecting Official has an option to follow or not follow the FALD's advice. However, the Selecting Official must send the Selection Package back to FALD. FALD can review the actions taken by the Selecting Official, but after that FALD will only be able to select the "No Legal Objection" workflow option – even if they have a legal objection.





Steps 1a-1b

• To move forward with application processing, the Competition Manager selects the option to "Start Award Processing" from the "Review Selection Package" task. After an award is checked and the "Save" button is clicked, the system will immediately generate an Award File with a PO Checklist, a NEPA document, and a Procurement Request. These documents are delivered to the Inbox of the Assigned Program Officer (the person who has been working on the application). The Competition Manager can return to this task and start the award processing as needed for each selected application. The "Review Selection Package" task will remain in the Competition Manager's inbox until the "Terminate Selection Package Processing" option is selected.





- In the Competitive application process, the Provisional Organization workflow is initiated at the same time as the PO Checklist, the NEPA Document, and the Procurement Request when the FPO selects "Start Award Processing." However, similar to the Universal Process, the Organization Profile task for the Provisional Organization Workflow is not in the FPO's inbox. Instead, it is created in the Inbox of the Data Quality Validator (a new Grants Online user role). The FPO can monitor the progress of the Organization Profile by checking "Pending Actions" on the Award File launch page.
- Until the Provisional Organization workflow is completed, the FPO does not have an option to Certify the PO Checklist and the Budget Officer does not have an option to Approve the Procurement Request.
- The user should now have three (3) new tasks in his/her lnbox. If not, the user should refresh his/her Task screen (Do NOT use the browser's "Back" button to refresh the screen display). An Award File has also been created in the database. These three tasks will move along three separate (but parallel) workflow paths. All three tasks, when completed, will comprise one Award File in the Grants Specialist's Inbox. The three tasks do not have to be completed in any particular order. However, the user should be aware that the Grants Specialist will return an "incomplete" Award File to the FPO. The Grants Specialist cannot start his/her portion of the workflow process until all three documents are complete in the Award File. The task, with the option to forward the Award File to the Grants Specialist, appears after you complete the PO Checklist. Therefore, the user should periodically check the Workflow History to make certain the Procurement Request and the NEPA Document have also completed their approval process before forwarding the Award File to the Grants Specialist.

NOTE: For detailed steps associated with completing the NEPA Document, the PO Checklist, and the Procurement Request refer to the Universal Processing section.





- When the Award File has been forwarded to Grants Management there are several additional steps that take place before the award offer is sent to the recipient. Grants Management has 60 days to complete their review and approval process. The Grants Management workflow steps for processing a Competitive application package are exactly the same as for the Universal application package with the exception of the Grants Management review and approval process.
- If funds have been removed from the ASAP account(s) used on the Procurement Request after the Award File was sent to Grants Management, the Grants Officer will not be able to approve the award and will return it to the Program Office to remedy the situation.
- If the recipient organization record attached to the application is not marked as ASAP, the ASAP portion of the workflow will be skipped. The recipient will have to use an Organization Profile Change Request to initiate the ASAP enrollment after the award has been accepted. This process must occur when the Non-ASAP record rather than the ASAP record for an organization is accidently associated with an application.
- For non-NOAA bureaus (except EDA) using Grants Online, all awards are routed to WebDocFlow for OLIA clearance, irrespective of award amount. In addition, this rule applies to awards that require bureaulevel OLA clearance. For NOAA, the determining factor for WebDocFlow routing is the award amount. For EDA, the OLIA and OLA tasks are manually cleared.

Federal Program Officer Training Agenda

Day 3

Post Award Processing				
Introduction and Agenda				
Online Demonstration/Process Maps				
Hands-On Participation – Electronic Recipient Acceptance (ERA)				
Online Demonstration/Process Maps				
Hands-On Participation – AAR, PPR, FFR				
Online Demonstration/Process Maps				
Hands-On Participation – Partial Funding				
Process Map/Screen Shot Review of Additional Processes:				
- Reduce Funding				
- De-obligate Declined Amendment				
 Correct Accounting Classification Code Structure (ACCS) Lines on 				
Approved Award				
 Reference #19 on the PMO website 				
 Correct Award Dates (Administrative Amendment) 				
 Grants Specialist must initiate action to make the correction 				
 Organization Profile Change Request 				
- Supplementary Information				
- Correspondence				
- Federal Reports				
Wrap Up:				
Additional Resources and Training				
Questions and Concerns				
Course Evaluation				
Grants Management Functions or Open Lab				

OBJECTIVES – By the end of the day, students should:

- Understand the Recipient Award Acceptance process
- Understand the use of an Award Action Request
- Review an Award Action Request
- Review, route and accept a Performance Progress Report
- Locate and view a Federal Financial Report
- Understand the use of a Partial Funding Action
- Initiate and route a Partial Funding Action
- Understand additional Post Award Processes
- Know where to find help when needed

TRAINING MATERIALS:

- 1. Agenda and Objectives
- 2. Process Maps and Screen Shots AAR Workflow
- 3. Process Maps and Screen Shots Performance Progress and Federal Financial Reports
- 4. Process Map and Screen Shots Post Award Processes
- 5. Course Evaluation





Grants Online Training

Post Award Processing

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Award Action Request Index Page

Award Action Requests marked with an asterisk (*) will always result in an amendment to the award (if approved). Other requests generally result in a notification of approval. However, any request may result in an amendment at the discretion of the Grants Officer. Please refer to the Guidance document for additional information.

* No Cost Extension - Prior Approval Required	No Cost Extension - Prior Approval Waived (Research Terms and Conditions)
Extension to Close Out	<u>Reprogram or Rebudget</u>
* Change in Scope	Equipment Purchase
* Transfer of Award	<u>Foreign Travel</u>
Change in Principal Investigator/Project Director	Sole Source Contract
Change in Key Person Specified in the Application	Absence of more than 3 months or 25% by project director or PI
Satisfied Special Award Conditions	Inclusion of cost that require prior approval based on cost principles
Transfer of funds allotted for training to other categories of	* Sub award, transfer or contracting out of any work under the award if not described in the
expenses	approved application
Pre-Award Cost	* Termination for Convenience
Submit Additional Closeout Documents	
<u>Other</u>	
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http://www.corporateservices.noaa.gov/gram	





Within NOAA, the user is only required to complete two fields (Cash Receipt & Cash Disbursements) for the interim Federal Financial Report; however for the final Federal Financial Report, all fields need to be completed. All other Bureaus are required to complete all fields on both the interim and final Federal Financial Reports.











FPO – Partial Funding Step 6

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12. Usually, after the Procurement Request has been approved, the user can select "Forward to Grants Specialist for Review" and add a workflow comment. Do not make any modifications to the "Amendment Details"; this will be done by the Grants Specialist. If changes to the Partial Funding Memo or Funding Amounts are necessary select "View/Edit Partial Funding Document."

NOTE: If changes are being made to the <u>Federal Funding Amount</u>, the Procurement Request task must also be in the user's Inbox. Make certain the same changes are made on both documents (the Procurement Request and Commitment of Funds and the Review Release of Funds).



Sample Language for Partial Funding Memo

- (STANDARD) This release of funds of \$______is for year ______of a ____ year multi-year award. All required Progress and Financial reports have been submitted and accepted.
- (EXAMPLE 2) This release... Due to ______, total funding for this award period is not available; additional funds will be provided at a later date. All required Progress...
- (EXAMPLE 3) This release... Due to _____, total funding for this award period is not available in this FY. Additional funds will be provided in FY_. It is our intent to provide total funding for this award. All required Progress...
- (EXAMPLE 4*) This release... Due to _____, additional funds will not be provided and this award will be reduced by _____. All required Progress and Financial reports have been submitted and accepted.
- (EXAMPLE 5) This release of funds is expected to be the final release of funds in FY ___. The remainder of the project is expected to be funded in FY ___ through FY ____ assuming funds are available. All required Progress...
- (EXAMPLE 6**) This release of funds of \$____ is for year ____ of a ___ year multi-year application which was originally funded as Amendment ____. All required Progress...
- NOTES:
 - When no additional funds are to be made available, the Program Office needs to advise the Grants Officer. This allows the Grants Officer to create an amendment informing the recipient that no additional funds will be provided. The recipient has the option of continuing work with existing funds or terminating the award.
 - * If Federal Funding is being reduced, the match should be reduced accordingly.
 - ** If the Partial Funding is on a continuation application, instead of the original award, note the appropriate amendment number in the Partial Funding Memo.



The Reduction in Funding workflow follows a very similar process to the Partial Funding workflow and has the same "Look and Feel."



On the Reduce Funding Memo only the "Fed Deduct Amount" and "Non-Fed Amount" (also a deduction) are available for data entry. The word "Deduct" will be added to the Non-Fed Amount label to avoid confusion. Although positive numbers should be entered into these fields the amounts will be deducted from the award.
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	<u>View</u> NA12	GOT9990023	05/22/2012	2534352	Reduce Funding Amendment	Not Started	Award File	2245493		N/A	\$10,000.00	Environmental Action Committee of West Marin
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Similar to a Partial Funding, two tasks are generated in the FPO's Inbox. The Procurement Request must be filled out using negative numbers for the funding reduction. The workflow must be completed by the Authorizing Official (Budget Officer role) to allow the Procurement Request to be forwarded to Grants Management.

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	Item #/MDL 2245494 / 2025338 14 2012 2000 52-30-0 The Grants Management Division has review Justification for De-obligation: The Grants Management Division has revie This document serves as authorization to p obligation process.	ACCS Amount I-00-000 SAE0000-SAE 10-01-0002-00-00-00 41-12-00-00 (\$100.00) ewed the subject award. This document serves as authorization to proceed with the de-obligation process. iewed the subject award.) proceed with the de-					
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The Award File for a Reduction in Funding contains a de-obligation memo. This is used to document the de-obligation by the system via the interface. In the case of a non-interfaced award the workflow will go through the Finance Office where the de-obligation memo will be manually approved. There is no action required by the Federal Program Officer relative to the de-obligation memo. However, the memo is available for viewing by the Federal Program Officer.



For a Federal Program Officer, the Declined Amendment workflow looks similar to a Reduction in Funding. However, the tasks are generated when the Grants Officer acknowledges the declined award rather than the Federal Program Officer initiating the action.





To make a correction to an ACCS line on an already approved award:

- 1. Navigate to the Award File containing the Procurement Request that needs to be corrected.
- 2. Access the details page of the Procurement Request that needs to be corrected.
- 3. Click the "Correct ACCS" button. This will generate a new "zero-dollar" Procurement Request.
- 4. Edit the ACCS line to make the amount (or a portion of the amount) negative.
- 5. Add one or more positive ACCS lines to create a net balance of zero on the Procurement Request.
- 6. Start the workflow for approval of the new Procurement Request.
- NOTE: Only the Assigned Program Officer for the Award can make a correction to an ACCS line on an award that has been approved.



Grants Management can now create an administrative amendment to make corrections to the Project Start and/or End Dates without requiring the recipient submit a No-Cost Extension request.



This Grants Online component allows recipients to request changes to Organization and Vendor records. In addition, from this screen Non-ASAP recipients can initiate the ASAP Enrollment process. There is no need to send a separate email, simply submit the recipient's Point of Contact information.

For detailed Organization Profile Change Request information, please reference the link: http://www.corporateservices.noaa.gov/grantsonline/Documents/Grantee/Org_Profile_Change_Requests_Grantees.pdf

NOTE: The user <u>cannot</u> update the DUNS or EIN using the Organization Profile Change Request.