NCURA Region VII

March-April News

Inspiring research administrators to pioneer frontiers

Spring Time and COVID-19

Make sure to take care of yourself and each other during this pandemic!

How is your office handling working during COVID-19? Any tips, tricks, or insights to share? Email Ashley.Stahle@colostate.edu **with how your institution is being a pioneer during the unexpected.**

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Congratulations to the Region VII presenters at the PRA/FRA Conference in Puerto Rico!

Denise Bellinger- University of Arizona
Hayley Bohall- Arizona State University
Vincent Borleske- University of Arizona
Tricia L. Callahan- Colorado State University
Lauren Clark- University of Arizona
Carlyla Dawson- University of Colorado Boulder
Danielle Felix- University of Colorado Boulder
Sarah Haley- Denver Health and Hospital Authority
Valerie Keim- Arizona State University
Michael L. Nichols- Northern Arizona University
Kathleen S. Rugg- Brigham Young University
Brenda Smith- University of Utah
Denise A. Wallen- University of New Mexico

Thank you to our Region VII Program Committee Members!

Tricia Callahan, Colorado State University
Vicki Krell, Arizona State University
Tisha Southergill, Montana Technological University

Interested in Presenting in Tucson, Arizona at Regional Meeting 2020?

We want you!

Calls for Proposals and Presenters are NOW OPEN! Click on the below links to submit your concurrent, discussion, ignite, and workshop ideas for the Region VI & VII Regional Meeting, October 25-28 at the JW Marriott Starr Pass Resort in Tucson, Arizona!

Click Here to Submit a Presentation Proposal!

Questions? Please contact Chair Ashley Stahle at
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Volunteering with Region VII!

Region VII has an updated volunteer page!

CLICK HERE

Check it out and email Alexa Van Dalsem alexa.vandalsem@colorado.edu with your interest!

Changes are Coming!

NIH Forms F Update

The newest formset (Forms-F) for NIH applications will need to be used for opportunity due dates **on or after May 25, 2020**. NIH expects to have the new forms available for ASSIST and Grants.gov Workspace beginning in March 2020.

If you are working with investigators who started a proposal in ASSIST or Grants.gov Workspace, then decided not to apply for February or March deadlines, but intend to submit for the next deadline cycle or later (e.g. anytime after May 25), please note that you will need to use the NEW formset. (i.e., You will have to start the application or Workspace over with the new forms.)

Linked here is a high level summary of the changes with Forms F

Please note: Career/fellowship proposals and proposals with human subjects have significant changes to attachments and form fields, and the new requirements for human fetal tissue information will be incorporated into the existing Cover Page Supplement form.

Full information is available in the following NIH notices:

The full original notice about Forms-F is available at
https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-20-026.html

More information about the attachments for training grant/fellowship/career opportunities is available in a follow-on notice:
https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-20-033.html

Forms-E must be used for due dates on or before May 24, 2020, per this notice:
https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-20-047.html

NSF Biosketch & Current and Pending

Kevin Hewitt from NSF has provided updated information about biosketch and current/pending support documents.

NSF requires a biographical sketch (limited to two pages) for each individual identified as senior personnel. Detailed information about the content is available in the Proposal and Award Policies and Procedures Guide (PAPPG), Chapter II.C.2.f.

Use of an NSF-approved format for the biographical sketch will be required upon implementation of the PAPPG (NSF 20-1), for all proposals submitted or due on or after June 1, 2020.

Approved formats for creating biographical sketches are:

SciENcv - (Available now!) NSF is partnering with the National Institutes of Health (NIH) to use SciENcv: Science Experts Network Curriculum Vitae as an NSF-approved format for use in preparation of the biographical sketch section of an NSF proposal. Adoption of a single, common researcher profile system for Federal grants reduces administrative burden for researchers.

SciENcv will produce an NSF-compliant PDF version of the biographical sketch. Proposers must save these documents and submit them as part of their proposals via FastLane, Research.gov or Grants.gov.

NSF Fillable PDF - (Coming soon!) NSF will provide a fillable PDF for use in preparation of the biographical sketch. Proposers will be able to download it from this page, complete the form, and upload it as part of their proposal via FastLane, Research.gov or Grants.gov.

Implementation Status:

NSF will continue to keep the community informed as approved formats and related information become available.

March 2020: NSF's fillable PDF for the biographical sketch will be available for optional use.

June 1, 2020: NSF requires use of an approved format for biographical sketches upon implementation of the PAPPG (NSF 20-1), for all proposals submitted or due on or after this date.

Click on the links below for additional information!

https://www.nsf.gov/bfa/dias/policy/biosketch.jsp

https://www.nsf.gov/bfa/dias/policy/cps.jsp

https://www.research.gov/common/attachment/Desktop/SciENcv-FAQs.pdf

DOI Transition to GrantSolutions
Attention DOI Financial Assistance Recipients:
DOI is moving to GrantSolutions in 2020!

If you work with DOI, please review the list of tasks at this page:
https://www.doi.gov/grants/grantsolutions

** US Fish & Wildlife transition is expected to be completed by Monday, April 20, 2020. **
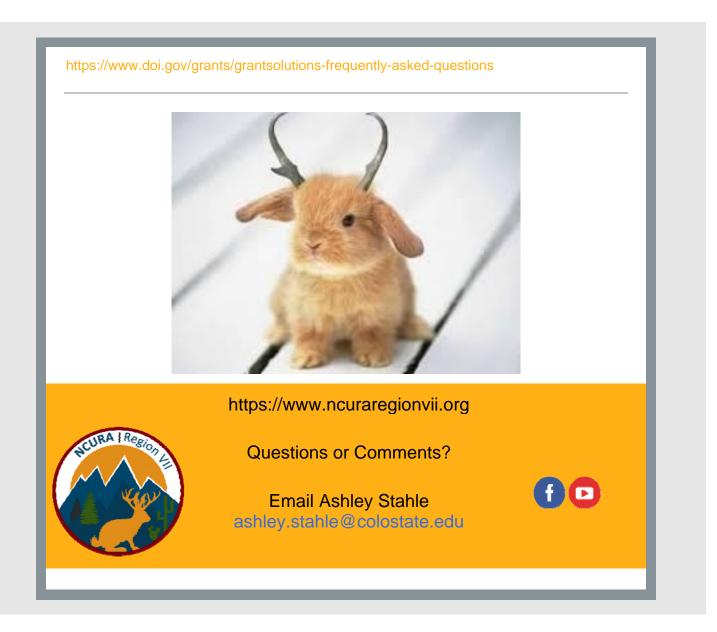
DOI bureaus and offices will transition in three groups:

Group A (transition April 17, 2020): Fish and Wildlife Service, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, and Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement

Group B (transition June 30, 2020): National Park Service

Group C (transition October 27, 2020): Bureau of Indian Affairs/Bureau of Indian Education, Bureau of Land Management, Bureau of Reclamation, Departmental Offices, Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, and U.S. Geological Survey

FAQs can be found in the link below:

https://www.doi.gov/grants/grantsolutions-frequently-asked-questions

https://www.ncuraregionvii.org

Questions or Comments?

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