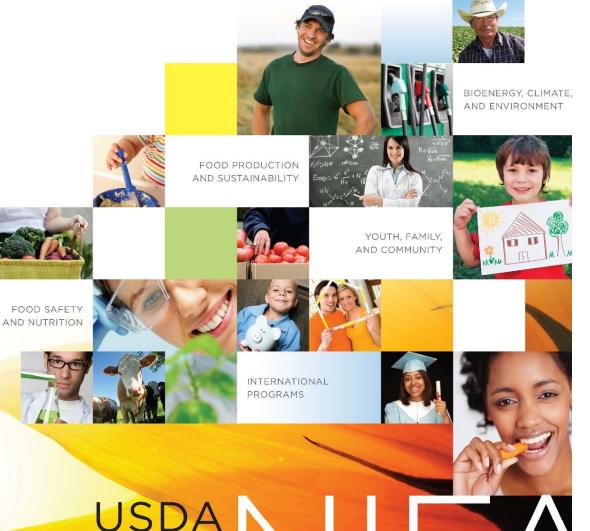


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National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA) Agency Update

January 2018



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Agenda

- ezFedgrants Update
- POW/REEport Integration
- NERAOC Conference
- Reporting Inventions
- Request for Applications

ezFedgrants Update

NIFA Capacity Programs

Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program

Evans-Allen (Section 1445)

The Hatch Act of 1887 (Regular Research)

The Hatch Act of 1887 (Multistate Research Fund)

Extension at 1890 Land-grant Colleges (Section 1444)

CES at 1862 Land-grant Institutions (Smith-Lever Special Needs)

Renewable Resources Extension Act Program

Joint Cooperative Extension Programs at 1862 Land-Grant Institutions and University of the District of Columbia

McIntire-Stennis Cooperative Forestry Research Program

Animal Health and Disease Program

New for FY 2018

- FY 2017 Annual SF 425's (financial reports) submitted through the ezFedGrants portal
 - Prepopulated template
 - Submitted / reviewed / approved in portal
 - Must have access to the system to view and submit



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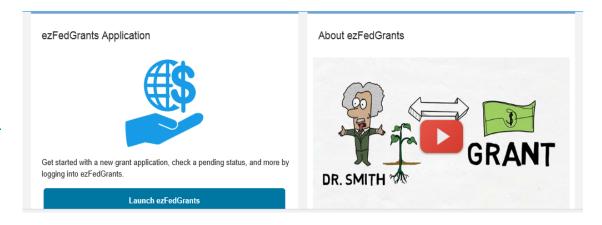
USDA's ezFedGrants Client Page

Access for EXTERNAL USERS

External Portal Search Functionality

USDA's help desk: ezFedGrants@cfo.usda.gov





What has NOT Changed

- Applicants apply through Grants.gov
- Grantees utilize ASAP to draw funds (but new location code)
- Capacity reporting remains the same in REEport and in POW
- Competitive awards will not be managed in ezFedGrants until a later date

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POW/REEport Integration

Plan of Work & REEport Integration

In 2015, the Panel of Experts recommended integration of POW and REEport to improve data quality and reduce duplication and burden of institutes and NIFA.

A NIFA technical team has been actively working with the internal program staff and partners to achieve this goal. We plan to demonstrate the initial functionality at this year's NERAOC conference to solicit feedback prior to the official release. The high level schedule:

- Initial Plan of Work interface in Nov 2018
- REEport Extension and updated Research Initiations in April 2019
- Annual report, Critical Issue integration, and POW update releases in Oct 2020

NERAOC Conference

- National Extension and Research Administrative Officers Conference
- Annual conference intended for administrators and program directors with responsibility over NIFA awards.
- Grand Rapids, Michigan
- April 22-25, 2018
- Registration to open this month
- http://msue.anr.msu.edu/program/info/neraoc

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Reporting Patents

The Bayh-Dole Act

- This Act is implemented by 37 CFR 401
- Purpose:
 - To facilitate and accelerate the transfer of technologies and other such products resulting from federally-funded research into public use, taking advantage of the market-based incentives of the patent and plant variety protection (PVP) processes.

(P.L. 96-517 December 12 1980)

Overview of the Bayh-Dole Act

- How does it do this?
 - It allows the recipient of a federal research contract, grant, or cooperative agreement (capacity awards included) to retain rights to any resulting inventions so long as the recipient complies with certain conditions and procedures.

Overview of Bayh-Dole

- Ownership of the invention may go to the Federal government if the recipient –
 - Does not comply with the Bayh-Dole Act
 - Does not take advantage of its rights to an invention in a timely way or
 - Waives its rights to an invention

Grantees iEdison Reporting

- All NIFA invention reporting must be submitted through Interagency Edison
 - www.iedison.gov
- NIFA Terms and Conditions
 - https://nifa.usda.gov/terms-and-conditions

How Bayh-Dole Requirements are Applied to Patents and PVPs***

Time	Patent Requirement	PVP Requirement
2 months after the institution learns of an invention	Submit invention disclosure	Submit invention disclosure
2 years after the disclosure of an invention	Notify agency whether electing title	Notify agency whether electing title
Election of title or when reporting a PVP application	Confirmatory license	Confirmatory license

^{***}This is not a complete listing, consult 37 CFR Part 401***

iEdison Bayh-Dole Reporting Timeline***

Time	Patent Requirement	PVP Requirement
I year after the election of title (inc. support clause)	File patent application, notify agency	File PVP application, notify agency
Issuance (inc. support clause)	Notify agency upon issuance of patent grant	Notify agency upon issuance of PVP certificate
If requested by agency	Utilization reports	Utilization reports

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NIFA Patent Reporting FY 2017

	iEdison	Special Request
Institution A	0	18
Institution B	0	5
Institution C	0	2
Institution D	4	8

The Importance of Reporting

Failure to comply with the Bayh-Dole Act reporting requirements may result in an institution's loss of rights to the invention.



Upcoming RFAs

- https://nifa.usda.gov/request-application-rfa-schedule
- Shows anticipated dates of publication for upcoming FY 2018 RFAs.

Thank you!!

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