

Questions:

from Walter Lane to All Participants:

Curious which state holds the world record (LM Bass)?

from Amber Burns to All Participants:

Alex, can you send out the schedule via email? Yes, it will be sent out

from Amber Burns to All Participants:

When will grants audits be based on the updated regs? The first year or two that they do apply, it maybe noted, they may or may not issue a finding due to the timing and the magnitude of the finding.

When the 2 CFR 200 was new there were specific dates, sounds like that may not be the case for the updates

Alex, what is the process for requesting an increase in Program Income to avoid getting caught by deductive default for excess?

- Jim-open dialog to discuss what is needed, with the region.
- If additive method to increase will require an amendment since it will change the grant amount.

Can we have an updated Org Chart?

- from Marilyn Lawal-Carter to All Participants: Yes, we will need to make a few updates and can get the org chart out to you.

from Robbie Hayes to All Participants:

Regarding the 120 day reporting window. For Grants Ending 12/31/20 with a reporting end date of 3/31/21 which in grant solutions say 4/30/21, Is the reporting date 4/30/21 or do we need an amendment or extension if dont report 3/31/21?

- from Tiffany Rollins to All Participants:
- It would be due 04/30/2021. You are still eligible for a one time 90 day extension in addition to that 120 days if needed. Just send in the request before the report is due like normal.
- from James Duffy to All Participants:
On reporting extension requests - should submit those in GS, BUT - should give your grant manager or fiscal manager at WSFR an email heads-up when you submit. GS staff assignments are still wonky enough that we can't be sure we are getting all notifications.

from Matt Roberts to All Participants:

Yesterday, Ryan spoke to new language regarding a 10% de minimis indirect cost rate: Do I understand correctly that, as a state agency currently without a NICRA, we could request to apply, on a grant by grant basis, a 10% indirect cost rate? (

- from Alex Coley to All Participants:
Matt Roberts - that is correct unless your agency receives more than \$35 million in direct federal funding annually. If you receive more than \$35 million you cannot use the de minimis rate

from Shelly Allen to All Participants:

How much of an increase is expected to states? for each program? How should we get RAWA ready

- expectation of similar funds to SF/WR

from Kate Pipkin to All Participants:
Is the current proposed RAWA match 75/25? ?????

from Marisa to All Participants:
Do we know the exact dates for the 2022 meeting yet? There is no specific date set at this time

from Amber Burns to All Participants:
if we want to amend a grant that started before the new regs were published to take advantage of the 120 day reporting deadline, but we don't need any change to budget or scope, how can we do that?

- from Tiffany Rollins to All Participants:
Any grants that end after 11/12/2020 will automatically have final reports that are due 120 days later
- from LeAnne Bonner to All Participants:
Amber, we can change any open award to a 120-day reporting period for the FINAL reports. It's just a change that WSFR has to do in GS.
- from LeAnne Bonner to All Participants:
Any open SFR, WR, SWG, and S6 were changed when the default reporting cycle changes were made a couple months back. For most awards, the 120 days should already be reflected.

from Amber Burns to All Participants:
how will the reporting deadline effect the liquidation timeframes?
what about liquidation? when will grants be removed from access in ASAP for draws?

- from Tiffany Rollins to All Participants:
ASAP has not been updated for the 120 days so if you need to make a draw between days 91-120 you can send us a note and we'll have ASAP opened for that time. This is completely separate from the 90 day extension you are eligible for. Hopefully ASAP will eventually change this and it the grants will be available for the 120 days to draw but for now they aren't.

from Jessie Birkhead to All Participants:
Should we create new grant amendments in TRACS for open multi-year grants that were not established in TRACS initially? Or should we submit those the "old" way?

- from James Duffy to All Participants:
Only grants with a start date on or after Jan 1, 2021 must go into TRACS. If your grant started before that and you need an amendment, fine to do it the old way.

from Amber Burns to All Participants:
Is there a way to run a report that show all grants?

- There maybe a report, but not guaranteed there is a report
- We do not have a canned report, the options available as a grantee are lacking, grants list can be limited to particular state, all programs, or a specific program.

from Amber Burns to All Participants:
do you prefer requests to update deadlines to come from program area instead of fiscal? or vise versa?

- Separate setting and two separate choices in practice, reach out to either side of the house and the change can be updated so the information being accurate.

from Marisa to All Participants:

What is that bird?

- from LeAnne Bonner to All Participants:
the Shoebill! it's a fantastic bird, the only member of its family. Mostly in Uganda and Tanzania, it lives in unfragmented papyrus swamps and eats things like eels with that big bill.

from Amber Burns to All Participants:

Do other agencies have the same issues we do with GS?

- Yes (multiple confirmed)

from Kate Pipkin to All Participants:

It's frustrating not being able to get information without asking for your help. Like fiscal reports, grants lists, etc.

from Matt Elliott to All Participants:

Similar to question about report showing all grants -would be very useful to be able to run report showing all reporting due dates without going through individual projects

- from LeAnne Bonner to All Participants:
We appreciate the input. We can't see what you see, and although they're not ideal, we do have some reports available to us. It sounds like states have no ability to filter any data OR extract any reports.

from Deborah Furrow to All Participants:

Do you know what the black-out period will be and the due date of Grants to be approved and obligated by 9/30/2021?

- No, not at this time, this will be sent out later.

Shout outs:

- I just want to thank the LR4 team and Ryan Oster at Training for working with us as we evolve our process for accounting for program income and closing out grants here in Mississippi. They have made themselves accessible and they've been most helpful!

Notes: