

NIFA Reporting System Monthly Webinar Recap

Date of Webinar: July 21, 2022, 2:00 p.m. ET/ 1:00 p.m. CT via Zoom

Purpose: Beginning with Fiscal Year (FY) 2022, all capacity projects and programs will be managed in the NIFA Reporting System (NRS). The monthly NRS webinars are intended to inform NRS users of ongoing system modifications and enhancements, communicate critical dates, and gather end user feedback.

Agenda:

- Updates for the Plan of Work (POW) Template and Approval Process
- Critical Issues Management

Plan of Work

All partners should have received the 2023 POW guidance and template on July 22, 2022, from nrs@usda.gov. If you did not receive the template and guidance documents, please email the NRS Help Desk at nrs@usda.gov.

As a reminder, the 2023 POW must be submitted outside of NRS via the template to nrs@usda.gov **no later than September 1, 2022**. Templates should be returned with the subject line: 2023 POW – Institution/State Name. Please copy all points of contact from your institution that should receive notifications when the POW Review has been completed and be sure to include the Director.

Once received, PARS will route to the National Program Leader for review or request corrections to the information provided. If contacted for revision or additional information, please provide the requested corrections as soon as possible. Once approval is received from the National Program Leader, PARS will notify the Awards Management Division for the release of Q1 funds.

Critical Issues Management

The add, update and close-out features for Critical Issues management were discussed. Please review the July 21, 2022, presentation for additional details on each of these actions. A live demonstration of Critical Issues management will be provided during the August 18, 2022, NRS Monthly Webinar.

Important Dates

- July 22, 2022 – 2023 Plan of Work .csv template and guidance released
 - August 4, 2022 – Critical Issues Management available in NRS
 - August 18, 2022 – Monthly NRS Webinar
 - September 1, 2022 – Plan of Work due to NIFA via nrs@usda.gov
 - September 15, 2022 – Monthly NRS Webinar
 - September 30, 2022 – NIFA Review of 2023 POW complete
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