

Renewable Resources Extension Act Program

Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 Request for Applications

APPLICATION DEADLINE: October 31, 2022



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Renewable Resources Extension Act Program Initial Announcement

Assistance Listing Number: Formerly known as the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA): This program is listed in the Assistance Listings under 10.515.

Dates: Applications must be received by **5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on October 31, 2022.** Comments regarding this request for applications (RFA) are requested within six months from the issuance of this notice. Comments received after that date will be considered to the extent practicable.

Advancing Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Accessibility (DEIA): NIFA recognizes research, education, and extension efforts will have the greatest impacts when programs are grounded in DEIA. NIFA is committed to enhancing diversity, equity, inclusion, and accessibility of programs and encourages individuals, institutions, and organizations from underserved communities to apply to funding opportunities as lead, co-lead, or subaward recipient(s), and to engage as leaders in the peer panel review process to support the development of strong networks and collaborations. NIFA encourages applications that engage diverse communities and have broad impacts through research, education, extension, and integrated activities to address current and future challenges.

Stakeholder Input: The National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA) seeks your comments about this RFA. We will consider all comments when we develop the next RFA for the program, if applicable, and we will use the input to meet the requirements of Section 103(c)(2) of the Agricultural Research, Extension, and Education Reform Act of 1998 ([7 U.S.C. 7613\(c\)\(2\)](#)) Submit written stakeholder comments by the deadline set forth in the DATES portion of this notice to Policy@usda.gov. This email address is intended only for receiving comments regarding this RFA and not for requesting information or forms. In your comments, state that you are responding to the Renewable Resources Extension Act Program RFA.

Executive Summary: NIFA requests applications for the Renewable Resources Extension Act (RREA) Program for fiscal year (FY) 2023 to assist all states in carrying out a program of extension activities designed to: (1) provide educational programs that enable individuals to recognize, analyze, and resolve problems dealing with renewable resources, including forest- and range-based outdoor recreation opportunities, trees, and forests in urban areas, and trees and shrubs in shelterbelts; (2) use educational programs to disseminate the results of research on renewable resources; (3) conduct educational programs that transfer the best available technology to those involved in the management and protection of forests and rangelands and the processing and use of their associated renewable resources; (4) develop and implement educational programs that give special attention to the educational needs of small, private non-industrial forest landowners; (5) develop and implement educational programs in range and fish and wildlife management; (6) assist in providing continuing education programs for professionally trained individuals in fish and wildlife, forest, range, watershed management and related fields; (7) help forest and range landowners in securing technical and financial assistance

to bring appropriate expertise to bear on their problems; and (8) help identify areas of needed research regarding renewable resources.

This RFA is being released prior to the enactment of an FY2023 Appropriations Act. Subject to any FY 2023 Continuing Resolution, NIFA will distribute funds to the institutions according to the amounts allocated in FY 2022. NIFA will adjust the allocations for FY 2023 once appropriations are finalized. The amount available for support of this program in FY 2022 was \$3,597,600. [Appendix A](#) of this RFA includes specific FY 2022 distributions. NIFA will issue FY 2023 payments subject to the availability of funds and the applicant having met the previous year's reporting requirements. [Part III, B](#) of this RFA identifies if matching is a requirement and, if so, you should pay particular attention to the matching instructions included in [Part IV, B, 6](#) of this RFA.

This notice identifies the objectives for RREA project/program, the eligibility criteria for projects/program and applicants, and the application forms and associated instructions you need to apply for a RREA grant.

The USDA NIFA home page for RREA is:

<https://www.nifa.usda.gov/grants/programs/renewable-resources-extension-act-capacity-grant>

2023 Updates

1. Fiscal Year 2023 reporting requirements have been transitioned from REEport to the NIFA Reporting System (NRS) for Capacity programs. Information regarding NRS and reporting due dates is available at <https://www.nifa.usda.gov/data/nifa-reporting-system>.
2. The [Digital Accountability and Transparency Act of 2014, P.L. 113-101](#) (DATA Act) was signed into law May 9, 2014. The Act requires federal award information be made available for public view on <USAspending.gov>. To fulfill these requirements, there are two additional forms included within the RFA package: the Project/Performance Site Location(s) and Project Abstract forms, OMB Number 4040-0010. The Project/Performance Site Location(s) form will provide more accurate identification of where the federal assistance funding is being utilized. The Project Abstract form will provide more detailed information regarding what the funding is being used for. Any additional information regarding this Act can be found at [Data Act Resources for Web](#).

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PART I – FUNDING OPPORTUNITY DESCRIPTION

A. Legislative Authority and Background

The Renewable Resources Extension Act (Pub. L. 95-306 (92 Stat. 349), [16 U.S.C. 1671-1676](#)) established the Renewable Resources Extension Act Program in 1978. This law provides the basis for federal funding for extension activities associated with fish, wildlife, and water resources on private forest and rangelands and for renewable resource education programs at State Land-Grant Institutions established under the Morrill Act of July 2, 1862, as amended; the Hatch Act of March 2, 1887, as amended; the Morrill Act of August 30, 1890, as amended, including Tuskegee University; and other State-supported colleges and universities offering graduate training in the sciences basic to forestry and having a forestry school.

States are eligible for funds appropriated under this Act according to the respective capabilities of their private forests and rangelands for yielding renewable resources and relative needs for such resources identified in the periodic Renewable Resource Assessment provided for in Section 3 of the Forest and Rangeland Renewable Resources Planning Act of 1974 and the periodic appraisal of land and water resources provided for in Section 5 of the Soil and Water Resources Conservation Act of 1977.

B. Purpose

The purpose of this funding is to assist states in carrying out an extension program designed to assist forest and range landowners and managers in making resource management decisions based on research findings. Forest and rangeland resources include vegetation, water, fisheries and wildlife, soil, and recreation. Projects must address the RREA strategic issues identified in the 2018-2022 RREA Strategic Plan.

The RREA is aligned with the following USDA Strategic Goals for 2022-2026:

1. Strategic Goal 1 Combat Climate Change to Support America's Working Lands, Natural Resources and Communities.
2. Strategic Goal 2 Ensure America's Agricultural System is Equitable, Resilient, and Prosperous.
3. Strategic Goal 3 Foster an Equitable and Competitive Marketplace for All Agricultural Producers.
4. Strategic Goal 5 Expand Opportunities for Economic Development and Improve Quality of Life in Rural and Tribal Communities.

USDA Strategic Plan FY 2022-2026 can be found at

(<https://www.usda.gov/sites/default/files/documents/usda-fy-2022-2026-strategic-plan.pdf>)

PART II—AWARD INFORMATION

A. Available Funding

Subject to any FY 2023 Continuing Resolution, NIFA will distribute funds to the institutions according to the amounts allocated in FY 2022. NIFA will adjust the allocations for FY 2023 once appropriations are finalized. The amount available for support of this program in FY 2022 was \$3,597,600.

The Automated Standard Applications for Payment System (ASAP), <https://www.fiscal.treasury.gov/asap/> operated by the Department of Treasury’s Bureau of the Fiscal Service, will be the payment system for all NIFA grant awards.

B. Type of Application

Applications for FY 2023 are limited to “new” applications.

PART III—ELIGIBILITY INFORMATION

A. Eligible Applicants

Below is a list of the institutions eligible for RREA funding. Failure to meet an eligibility criterion by the time of application deadline may result in the application being excluded from consideration or, even though an application may have been reviewed, will preclude NIFA from making an award.

1. Alabama A&M University
2. Alcorn State University
3. Auburn University
4. Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska
5. Central State University
6. Clemson University
7. Colorado State University
8. Cornell University
9. Delaware State University
10. Florida A&M University
11. Fort Valley State University
12. Iowa State University
13. Kansas State University
14. Kentucky State University
15. Langston University
16. Lincoln University
17. Louisiana State University
18. Michigan State University
19. Mississippi State University
20. Montana State University
21. New Mexico State University
22. North Carolina A&T State University
23. North Carolina State University
24. North Dakota State University
25. Oklahoma State University
26. Oregon State University
27. OSU Extension, Cooperative State Research
28. Pennsylvania State University
29. Prairie View A&M University
30. Puerto Rico Agricultural Extension
31. Purdue University
32. Regents of the University of California
33. Regents of the University of Idaho
34. Regents of the University of Minnesota
35. Rutgers, State of New Jersey
36. South Carolina State University
37. South Dakota State University
38. Southern University

39. Tennessee State University
40. Texas A&M Agrilife Extension
41. Tuskegee University
42. University of Alaska
43. University of Arizona
44. University of Arkansas
45. University of Arkansas Pine Bluff
46. University of Connecticut
47. University of Delaware
48. University of Florida
49. University of Georgia
50. University of Guam
51. University of Hawaii
52. University of Illinois
53. University of Kentucky
54. University of Maine
55. University of Maryland College of Agriculture
56. University of Maryland Eastern Shore
57. University of Massachusetts
58. University of Missouri
59. University of Nevada, Reno
60. University of New Hampshire
61. University of Rhode Island
62. University of Tennessee
63. University of the District of Columbia
64. University of the Virgin Islands
65. University of Vermont
66. University of Wisconsin
67. Utah State University
68. Virginia Polytechnic Institute
69. Virginia State University
70. Washington State University
71. West Virginia State University
72. West Virginia University

Award recipients may subcontract to organizations not eligible to apply if the subcontracts are necessary for the conduct of the project. Failure to meet an eligibility criterion by the time of application deadline may result in the application being excluded from consideration, or even though an application may have been reviewed, will preclude NIFA from making an award.

B. Cost Sharing or Matching

No Match Required – The RREA program has NO matching requirement.

PART IV—APPLICATION AND SUBMISSION INFORMATION

A. Electronic Application Package

Submit only electronic applications via [Grants.gov](https://www.grants.gov) to NIFA in response to this RFA. We urge you to submit early to the Grants.gov system. For information about the pre-award phase of the grant lifecycle, see [Grants.gov Pre-Award Phase](#).

New Users of Grants.gov

Prior to preparing an application, we recommend the project director/principal investigator (PD/PI) first contact an authorized representative (AR, also referred to as Authorized Organizational Representative or AOR)¹ to determine if the organization is prepared to submit electronic applications through Grants.gov. If not (e.g., the institution/organization is new to the electronic grant application process through Grants.gov), *you must complete the one-time registration process* prior to submitting an application. *The registration process can take as long as two weeks to complete. It is, therefore, critical to begin the process as soon as possible.* To register, the AR should select “**Register**” in the top right corner of the Grants.gov web page (or go to [Grants.gov Register](#)).

Steps to Obtain Application Package Materials

To receive application materials:

1. You must download and install a version of [Adobe Reader](#) compatible with Grants.gov to access, complete, and submit applications. For basic system requirements and download instructions, Grants.gov has a test package that will help you determine whether your version of Adobe Reader is compatible.
2. To obtain the application package from Grants.gov, go to [Search for Opportunity Package](#) and enter the following Funding Opportunity Number:

USDA-NIFA-10515-RREAFXXX-23-0001

in the appropriate box. From the search results click on the funding opportunity number to open the funding opportunity package. Select the Related Documents Tab and Package Tap to reference all elements required and the NIFA Grants Application Guide associated with your funding opportunity. A Grant Application Package is tied to a particular funding opportunity. Applications must be submitted only to the particular funding opportunity to which the Grant Application Package is associated. The application package also contains the “[NIFA Grants Application Guide](#).” This guide contains an introduction and general Grants.gov instructions, additional information about the Grants.gov registration process, information about how to use a Grant Application Package in Grants.gov, and instructions on how to complete the application forms.

If you require assistance to access the application package (e.g., downloading or navigating Adobe forms) or submitting the application, refer to [resources available](#) on the Grants.gov website.

¹The Authorized Representative (AR) must have the authority to represent and bind the organization for any agreement (i.e., the individual who is authorized to commit the awardee’s time and other resources to the project, to commit the awardee to comply with the terms and conditions of the award instrument including those set out herein, and to otherwise act for or on behalf of the awardee institution or organization).

Grants.gov assistance is also available at:

Grants.gov customer support

(800)518-4726 toll-free or (606)545-5035

Business Hours: 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Closed on [federal holidays](#).

Email: support@grants.gov

[Grants.gov iPortal](#): Top 10 requested help topics (FAQs), searchable knowledge base, self-service ticketing and ticket status, and live web chat (available 7 a.m. - 9 p.m. Eastern Time).

Have the following information available when contacting [Grants.gov](#):

1. Funding opportunity number (FON)
2. Name of the agency to which you are applying
3. Specific area of concern

B. Content and Form of Application Submission

You should prepare electronic applications following Parts III and IV of the [NIFA Grants Application Guide](#). This guide is part of the corresponding application package (see Section A of this part). The following additional information is needed to prepare an application for this RFA. **If there is discrepancy between the two documents, the information contained in this RFA is overriding.**

Note the attachment requirements (e.g., PDF) in Part IV of the [NIFA Grants Application Guide](#). Any proposals that are non-compliant with the requirements (e.g.; content format, pdf file format, file restrictions, and no password protected files) will be at risk of being excluded from NIFA review. Partial applications will be excluded from NIFA review. We will accept subsequent submissions of an application until the established deadline in the RFA (see Part IV of the [NIFA Grants Application Guide](#) for further information).

For any questions related to the preparation of an application, review the [NIFA Grants Application Guide](#) and the applicable RFA. If you need further assistance, contact:

1. Email: capacitygrantquestions@usda.gov
2. Business hours: Monday - Friday, 7 a.m. - 5 p.m. ET, excluding [federal holidays](#).

Each grant application must contain the following:

1. "Application for Federal Assistance," Form SF-424 R&R Cover Sheet
2. "Project/Performance Site Location(s)" Form
3. "Project Abstract" Form (including attachment in PDF format)
4. Key Contacts Form
5. NIFA Supplemental Information Form
6. Attachment Form (including attachments in PDF format)

The [NIFA Grants Application Guide](#) includes instructions for additional forms not needed for an application in response to this RFA. Complete and submit only the forms associated with the funding opportunity package and as instructed below.

1. SF 424 R&R Cover Sheet

Information related to the questions on this form is available in Part V of the [NIFA Grants Application Guide](#). The following are additional instructions. Please note new instructions are included below for Field 5. The Organizational Information NIFA has included in Appendix A is based on FY2022 applications received for this program. If your organization intends to submit an application using information other than what appears in Appendix A, please contact us at capacitygrantquestions@usda.gov prior to submitting your application

- a) **Field 1. Type of Submission** – Check “Application.”
- b) **Field 5. Applicant Information**
 - i. Enter Legal Name of the Institution as registered in the System for Awards Management (SAM) which appears in the first column of [Appendix A](#) of this RFA
 - ii. Enter the Institutions Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) as it appears in SAM
 - iii. Enter Department Name of Eligible Recipient, if applicable
- c) **Field 7. Type of Applicant** – Enter the Institution type as registered in SAM.gov
- d) **Field 8. Type of Application** – Enter “new”
- e) **Field 11. Descriptive Title of Applicant’s Project** – Enter a short descriptive title (no more than 200 characters including spaces) of the project(s) being paid for with this grant. Do not use acronyms or any special characters
- f) **Field 13. Congressional District of Applicant** – Enter the Congressional District for the Institution’s location provided in Section 5. Applicant Information
- g) **Field 15. Estimated Project Funding** – For item a, enter your institution’s FY 2022 allocation as listed in [Appendix A](#) of this RFA
- h) **Field 17. Complete Certification** - See Part V of the [NIFA Grants Application Guide](#) for the required certifications and assurances (e.g., Prohibition Against Entities Requiring Certain Internal Confidentiality Agreements), then check box
- i) **Field 19. Authorized Representative** – Signature of Authorized Representative in this box shall match information completed within this section. If signature is a designee or other party, a letter on university letterhead designating this signature authority shall be included with the submission as part of the attachments within the Attachment Form

2. Project/Performance Site Location(s) Form

Information related to the requirements on this form is available in Part V of the [NIFA Grants Application Guide](#). The following are additional instructions.

Note: The Primary Place of Performance Site Location is the principal location where the majority of work is being performed, such as a manufacturing plant where items are produced or a hospital where research is being conducted. In many instances, a project’s Primary Place of Performance Site Location will not be the same as the recipient’s legal business address.

- a) Complete only the “Project/Performance Site Primary Location” section of the form
- b) **Organization Name** - Indicate the organization name of the primary site where the work will be performed
- c) **Street1** - Enter first line of the street address for the primary performance site location

- d) **Street2** - Enter second line of the street address for the primary performance site location, if needed
- e) **City** - Enter the City for the address of the primary performance site location
- f) **County** - Enter the County of the performance site location
- g) **State** – From the drop-down menu, select the state code (e.g., NY for New York, CA for California) where the primary performance site location is located. For the following territories, use the following state codes. These codes are at the end of the drop-down menu except D.C.
 - i. Washington DC = DC
 - ii. American Samoa = AS
 - iii. Guam = GU
 - iv. Marshall Islands=MH
 - v. Micronesia= FM
 - vi. Northern Mariana Islands = MP
 - vii. Puerto Rico=PR
 - viii. US Virgin Islands=VI
- h) **Country** – This field should default to USA. Please select the proper country if applicable.
- i) **Zip/Postal Code** - Enter the nine-digit Postal Code (e.g., ZIP code) of the primary performance site location.
- j) **Project/Performance Site Congressional District** - Enter the two-digit Congressional District of the primary performance site location (e.g., 01, 02, 03...). For the following unique areas, the Congressional Districts are:
 - i. Alaska, Delaware, Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, Vermont, Wyoming - 00 is the Congressional District code
 - ii. Washington DC, American Samoa, Guam, Northern Mariana Islands, Puerto Rico, US Virgin Islands - 98 is the Congressional District code
 - iii. Micronesia, Marshall Islands, Palau, US Minor Outlying Islands - 99 is the Congressional District code

3. Project Abstract Form

Information in this form is important to DATA Act requirements for reporting to the public via [USA Spending](#). The abstract submitted should not be more than 18,000 characters (including spaces, dashes, etc.) and should be “a plain language description of the Federal award purpose; activities to be performed; deliverables and expected outcomes; intended beneficiary(ies); and subrecipient activities if known/specified at the time of award.” This information may be a copy of a section of the Institutions FY 2023 plan of work, as long as these areas are included. Remember, whatever information is provided in this abstract will be displayed to the public via the [USA Spending](#) website. Therefore, do not include any proprietary or confidential information.

4. Key Contacts Form

Information related to the requirements of this form is available in Part V of the [NIFA Grants Application Guide](#). These documents must be completed and submitted in PDF format. The Project Role field of the Key Contact form should contain the exact roles indicated below for each contact required. A person’s job title should be entered in the Title field of the Key Contact

form and not in the Project Role field. Missing forms may result in delayed processing of the application.

- a) **Contact 1 Project Role:** Enter the contact information for the State Extension Director or 1890 Administrator.
- b) **Contact 2 Project Role:** Enter the contact information for the RREA Principal Investigator (Project Director) as designated by the State Extension Director's or 1890 Administrator's designee.
- c) **Contact 3 Project Role:** Enter the contact information for the Business Office Manager/Administrator.
- d) **Contact 4 Project Role:** Enter the contact information for the person responsible for drawdowns.

5. Supplemental Information Form

Information related to the questions on this form is available in Part V of the [NIFA Grants Application Guide](#). The following are additional instructions.

- a) **Field 2. Program to which you are applying**
 - i. Program Code Name – Renewable Resources Extension Act Program
 - ii. Program Code – RREAF
- b) **Field 3. Type of Applicant** - Enter the Institution type as registered in SAM.gov
- c) **Field 6. ASAP Recipient Information** – Check “Yes” and enter in the Institution ASAP Recipient ID corresponding with the Institution receiving the award
- d) **Field 8. Conflict of Interest List** - Do not attach a conflict-of-interest list, leave this section blank.

6. Attachment Form

Information related to the requirements on this form is available in Part V of the [NIFA Grants Application Guide](#). The following are additional instructions.

- a) **Felony Convictions or Tax Delinquent Status** - See Part V of the [NIFA Grants Application Guide](#) for instructions regarding mandatory Felony Convictions or Tax Delinquent Status. For Capacity programs, this mandatory information must be either included as an attached PDF and identified on the Attachment Form or appropriately answered within the “Reps and Certs” section of your SAM.gov registration Submission Dates and Times.

C. Submission Dates and Times

Instructions for submitting an application are included in Part IV of the [NIFA Grants Application Guide](#).

Applications must be received by Grants.gov by **5 p.m. Eastern Time on October 31, 2022**. Applications received after this deadline will normally not be considered for funding.

In case of trouble submitting an application to Grants.gov, you should **FIRST** contact the [Grants.gov Help Desk](#) to resolve any problems. Keep a record of any such correspondence. See [Part IV, A](#) of this RFA for Grants.gov contact information.

Once NIFA accepts your application, you may check the status of your application in the [ezFedGrants](#) portal or by looking in [Grants.gov](#).

If you are not able to validate NIFA received your application by October 12, 2022, contact the Agency Administrative Contact identified in [Part VII](#) of this RFA. Failure to do so may result in the application not being processed and funding being held. You should cite your Grants.gov tracking number on all inquiries until an award number is assigned.

D. Funding Restrictions

(1) Approved NIFA RREA Projects

RREA federal funding must be used on the strategic issues included in the FY 2018-2022 RREA Strategic Plan and identified in the institution's approved 3-Year Plan of Work for FYs 2018-2022. The FY 2018 -2022 RREA Strategic Plan is extended through FY 2024, and can be found on the [USDA NIFA home page for RREA](#).

(2) Indirect Costs and Tuition Remission

In accordance with section 1473 of the National Agricultural Research, Extension, and Teaching Policy Act of 1977 ([7 U.S.C. §3319](#)), indirect costs and tuition remission are unallowable as RREA capacity grant expenditures. Further, costs that are a part of an institution's indirect cost pool (e.g., administrative or clerical salaries) may not be reclassified as direct costs for the purpose of making them allowable.

(3) Carryover of Funds

RREA funds are expected to be fully expended in the fiscal year of appropriation; however current policy allows 50 percent of the prior fiscal year allocation to be carried over into the next fiscal year. These carryover funds must be fully expended by September 30 of the following year (e.g., September 30, 2024 for FY 2023 funds). However, waiver requests may be considered and approved. Requests should be submitted to the national program leaders listed in [Part VII](#) of this RFA, who will provide the required format for requesting carryover of excess (>50%) funds.

E. Other Submission Requirements

You should follow the submission requirements noted in Part V of the [NIFA Grants.gov Application Guide](#).

For information about the status of a submitted application, see Part VI, Section 6 of the [NIFA Grants.gov Application Guide](#).

Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) and System for Award Management (SAM) – each applicant (unless excepted under [2 CFR § 25.110\(b\) or \(c\)](#), or has an exception approved by the federal awarding agency under [2 CFR § 25.110\(d\)](#)) is required to:

- a. be registered in SAM before submitting its application;
- b. provide a valid UEI number in its application; and

- c. continue to maintain an active SAM registration with current information at all times during which it has an active federal award or an application or plan under consideration by a federal awarding agency.

If you have not complied with all applicable UEI and SAM requirements you may be considered unqualified to receive an award.

Your SAM registration information determines your organization ID in the ezFedGrants system, and the information must match your ASAP recipient UEI and EIN.

PART V—APPLICATION REVIEW REQUIREMENT

A. General

NIFA will review submitted documents to determine if all program, financial, and administrative requirements are met and are current. Missing or incomplete information within an application may require additional submittals and deletion of application(s) already submitted.

B. Organizational Management Information

Specific applicant organizational management information shall be submitted on a one-time basis, with updates submitted as needed. If this information has not been submitted under this or another NIFA program, it is the responsibility of the organization to do so for determination of eligibility prior to the award of a grant identified under this RFA.

We will provide you the forms to fulfill these requirements as part of the Pre-Award process. Although an applicant may be eligible, there are factors that may exclude an applicant from receiving federal financial and nonfinancial assistance and benefits under this program (e.g., debarment or suspension of an individual involved or a determination an applicant is not responsible based on submitted organizational management information).

PART VI—AWARD ADMINISTRATION

A. General

Within the limit of funds available for such purpose, the NIFA awarding official shall make grants to those responsible, eligible applicants.

B. Award Notice

The notice of federal award is the authorizing document. The award document contains award provisions and other pertinent information. See [Notice of Award](#) for further details.

C. Administrative and National Policy Requirements

Several federal statutes and regulations apply to grant applications considered for review and to project grants awarded under this program. These may include, but are not limited to, those listed at [USDA/NIFA Federal Regulations](#).

NIFA Federal Assistance Policy Guide—a compendium of basic NIFA policies and procedures applying to all NIFA awards, unless there are statutory, regulatory, or award-specific requirements to the contrary, is available at the [NIFA Federal Assistance Policy Guide](#).

D. Expected Program Outputs and Reporting Requirements

Organizations receiving RREA funding from NIFA are required to submit the following reports:

1. National Quantitative Indicators Report;
2. Program/Project Initiation in the NIFA Reporting System (NRS);
3. Program/Project progress reports;
4. Project Financial Report; and
5. Federal Financial Report (SF-425)

National Quantitative Indicators (fillable form provided to RREA Project Directors by RREA Program Leader) and one-page Popular Report (format provided to RREA Project Directors by RREA Program Leader).

NIFA is building an integrated reporting portal for research and extension grants. Program/Project Initiations and Progress Reports are to be completed by any institution who has been granted authority to use capacity dollars. Information regarding requirements for submittals of reporting through the NRS are available at the NRS web page <https://nifa.usda.gov/tool/pow-nifa-reporting-system>.

A Project Financial Report must be submitted to NIFA annually for all eligible projects from the preceding fiscal year. A Project Financial Report is also required for expenditures on all state projects to be included in the non-federal funds and matching funds computation. Reports shall be made on the federal fiscal year basis.

Federal Financial reporting via the SF-425 is due within the ezFedGrants portal, at minimum on an annual basis. Please see your Notice of Award for information on additional SF-425's that may be required throughout the life of the award. Information on how to access the ezFedGrants portal can be found on the [ezFedGrants \(eFG\) Grants and Agreements System Overview](#) page. See [RREAF](#) for additional details of reporting requirements.

PART VII – AGENCY CONTACT

For questions regarding RREA projects/program, please contact:

Dr. Diomides Zamora, National Program Leader
Division of Environmental Systems; Institute of Bioenergy, Climate, and Environment;
National Institute of Food and Agriculture
U.S. Department of Agriculture
Telephone: 202-590-6049
E-mail: diomides.zamora@usda.gov

For administrative questions relating to the completion of the grants.gov forms please contact:

Alicia J. Simon, Senior Grants Management Specialist
OGFM/National Institute of Food and Agriculture
U.S. Department of Agriculture
Telephone: 202-253-7102
Email: capacitygrantquestions@usda.gov

PART VIII – OTHER INFORMATION

The USDA NIFA home page for the Renewable Resources Extension is:
<https://nifa.usda.gov/program/renewable-resources-extension-act-capacity-grant>

APPENDIX A

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
National Institute of Food and Agriculture
FY 2022 Distribution to Renewable Resources Extension Act (RREA)
Appendix A – Final

Recipient Name	DUNS Number	State	Allocation
UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA FAIRBANKS GRANTS & CONTRACTS	615245164	AK	\$97,145
ALABAMA A & M UNIVERSITY	079121448	AL	13,500
ALCORN STATE UNIVERSITY EDUCATIONAL BUILDING CORPORATION, THE	075084897	MS	13,500
AUBURN UNIVERSITY	066470972	AL	92,799
BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA	555456995	NE	46,448
CENTRAL STATE UNIVERSITY	008873747	OH	13,500
CLEMSON UNIVERSITY	042629816	SC	72,521
COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT'S OFFICE AT COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY	829068126	CO	58,036
COOPERATIVE STATE RESEARCH, EDUCATION, AND EXTENSION SERVICE, THE O S U EXTENSION	175373752	OH	62,382
CORNELL UNIVERSITY OFFICE OF SPONSORED PROGRAMS	872612445	NY	87,005
DELAWARE STATE UNIVERSITY	114337629	DE	13,500
FLORIDA A&M UNIVERSITY	623751831	FL	13,500
FORT VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY	073459083	GA	13,500
IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY	005309844	IA	46,448
KANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY PRE-AWARDS SERVICES	929773554	KS	46,448
KENTUCKY STATE UNIVERSITY	071317788	KY	13,500
LANGSTON UNIVERSITY	071222780	OK	13,500
LINCOLN UNIVERSITY	071970164	MO	13,500
LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY LSU AGRICULTURAL CENTER	783201833	LA	71,072
MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY	193247145	MI	79,763
MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY	075461814	MS	89,902
MONTANA STATE UNIVERSITY, INC MONT ST UNIV/GRANTS & CONTRACT	625447982	MT	60,933
NEVADA SYSTEM OF HIGHER EDUCATION UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA, RENO	146515460	NV	49,345
NEW MEXICO STATE UNIVERSITY OFFICE OF SPONSORED PROGRAMS	173851965	NM	68,175
NORTH CAROLINA AGRICULTURAL AND TECHNICAL STATE UNIVERSITY NORTH CAROLINA A&T STATE UNIVERSITY	071576482	NC	13,500

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NORTH CAROLINA STATE UNIVERSITY	042092122	NC	91,351
NORTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY	803882299	ND	46,449
OKLAHOMA STATE UNIVERSITY	049987720	OK	66,727
OREGON STATE UNIVERSITY	053599908	OR	88,454
PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY, THE PENN STATE	003403953	PA	78,315
PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY	138170220	TX	13,500
PUERTO RICO AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION	176086184	PR	13,500
PURDUE UNIVERSITY	072051394	IN	53,691
REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, THE DIVISION OF AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES	080668243	CA	95,696
REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF IDAHO UNIVERSITY OF IDAHO	075746271	ID	52,242
REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA OFFICE SPONSORED PROJECTS ADMINISTRATION	555917996	MN	65,278
RUTGERS, THE STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW JERSEY RUTGERS, THE STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW JERSEY	030501568	NJ	46,449
SOUTH CAROLINA STATE UNIVERSITY ACADEMIC AFFAIRS	626143457	SC	13,500
SOUTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY	929929743	SD	46,448
SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY AGRICULTURAL & MECHANICAL COLLEGE SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH AND EXTENSION CENTER	786908579	LA	13,500
TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY	108814179	TN	13,500
TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE EXTENSION SERVICE	781568837	TX	98,593
TUSKEGEE UNIVERSITY	128214178	AL	13,500
UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA	961605172	AZ	63,830
UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS SYSTEM DIVISION OF AGRICULTURE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS	039796771	AR	81,212
UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS SYSTEM HISTORIC BLACK COLLEGE UNIVERSITY	627198211	AR	13,500
UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT OFFICE SPONSORED PROGRAMS	614209054	CT	46,449
UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE	059007500	DE	46,449
UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA DIVISION OF SPONSORED RESEARCH	969663814	FL	82,660
UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA SPONSORED PROJECTS ADMINISTRATION	619003127	GA	94,248
UNIVERSITY OF GUAM	779908151	GU	13,500
UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII SYSTEMS COLLEGE OF TROPICAL AGRICULTURE & HUMAN RESOURCES	930124792	HI	46,449
UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS, THE	041544081	IL	55,139
UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY	007400724	KY	69,624

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UNIVERSITY OF MAINE SYSTEM RESEARCH & SPONSORED PROGRAM	186875787	ME	59,485
UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES	837696475	MD	46,448
UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND EASTERN SHORE UMES	082611302	MD	13,500
UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS OFFICE OF GRANT & CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION	153926712	MA	46,448
UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI SYSTEM CURATORS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI	153890272	MO	75,418
UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND CONTROLLERS OFFICE	144017188	RI	46,449
UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE UT AGRICULTURE EXTENSIONS SERVICE	134399448	TN	73,969
UNIVERSITY OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA U D C	137460275	DC	13,500
UNIVERSITY OF THE VIRGIN ISLANDS	090003765	VI	13,500
UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT & STATE AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE UNIVERSITY OF VERMONT	066811191	VT	46,449
UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN SYSTEM UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN EXTENSION	003255648	WI	76,866
UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING SPONSORED PROGRAMS	069690956	WY	47,897
UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF NEW HAMPSHIRE	111089470	NH	46,449
UTAH STATE UNIVERSITY USU	072983455	UT	50,794
VIRGINIA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE AND STATE UNIVERSITY	003137015	VA	85,557
VIRGINIA STATE UNIVERSITY	074744624	VA	13,500
WASHINGTON STATE UNIVERSITY WSU EXTENSION AND CAHNRS	959235664	WA	84,108
WEST VIRGINIA STATE UNIVERSITY WEST VIRGINIA STATE UNIVERSITY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT	874797876	WV	13,500
WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY	929332658	WV	56,588
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