



**NSF Regional Grants Conference
Transparency, Accountability and
You**

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Ask Early, Ask Often!

Recap and Preview

- Day One
 - NSF overview and budget
 - Proposal preparation and merit review processes
 - Breakout Sessions by NSF Directorate
 - Award management
- Day Two
 - NSF in the Federal context
 - Plenary sessions on International Programs, NSF Inspector General, Polar Programs and crosscutting programs

Topics Covered

- Administration priorities
- Meeting administration priorities
- What it all means for you

Administration Priorities

Focus on “Open Government”

Core Principles:

- Transparency
- Participation
- Collaboration

Open Government Policy:

- The President’s Memorandum on Transparency and Open Government (Jan 21, 2009)
- A Strategy for American Innovation: Driving Towards Sustainable Growth and Quality Jobs
- The Open Government Directive



“My Administration is committed to creating an unprecedented level of openness in Government. We will work together to ensure the public trust and establish a system of transparency, public participation, and collaboration. Openness will strengthen our democracy and promote efficiency and effectiveness in Government.”

- President Barack Obama

Government-wide efforts: Transparency



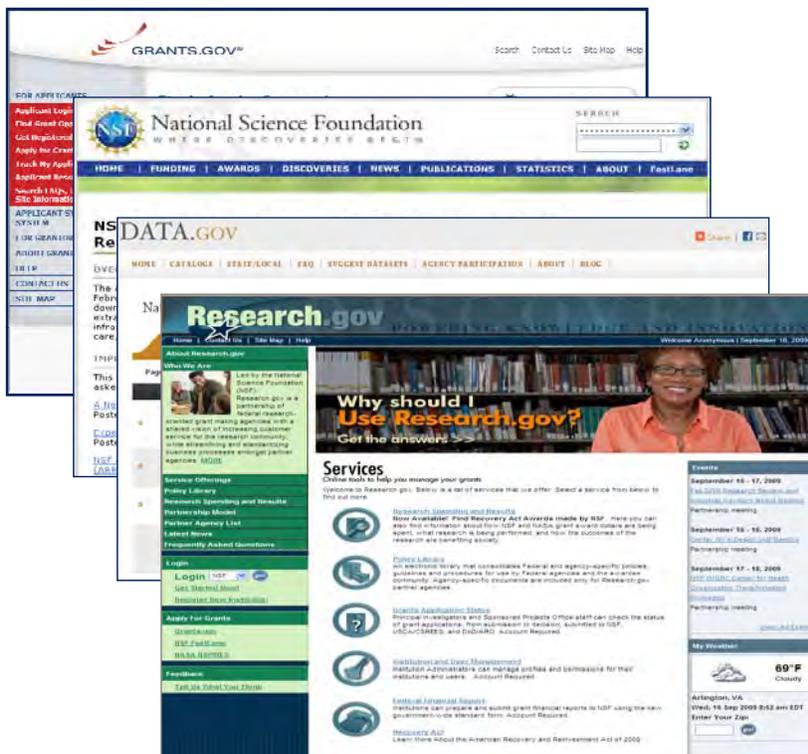
- USA Spending.gov: Financial Transparency
- Recovery.gov: Tracking Economic Stimulus Spending
- Data.gov: One Stop Data Sharing Platform
- IT Dashboard: Visualizing Technology Spending

“Transparency promotes accountability by providing the public with information about what the Government is doing.”

OMB Memo on Open Government, Dec. 8, 2009

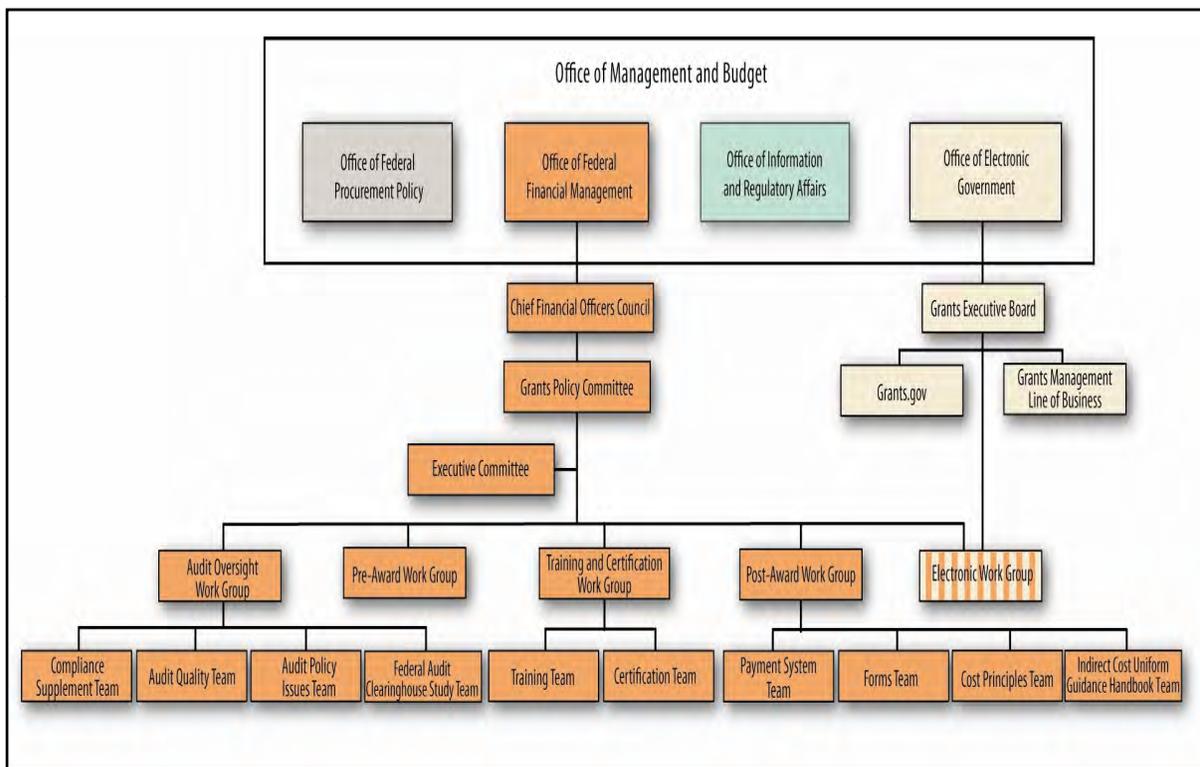
Meeting Administration Priorities

NSF Efforts - Transparency

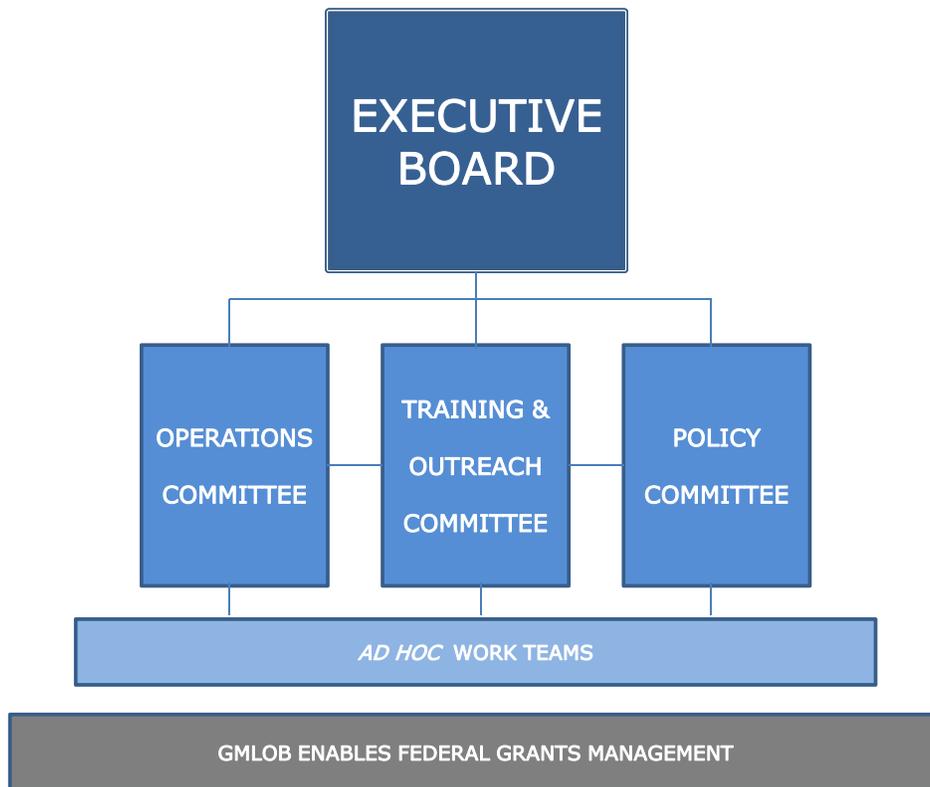


- Grants.gov
- NSF Recovery.gov
- Data.gov: NSF Datasets
- Research.gov

Current Grants Management Structure



Federal Grants Governance Structure



What It All Means For You

NSF Bringing it All Together

- **Technology and Tools:**
 - Research.gov: Partnerships and Services for the Research Community
- **Standards and Policy:**
 - Project Outcomes Report for the General Public (America COMPETES Act)
 - Federal Financial Report
 - Research Performance Progress Report

Research.gov

- Supports the needs of institutions and researchers
- Increases transparency of Federal research spending and outcomes (Research Spending & Results/Project Outcomes Report)
- Provides the public, scientific community, and Congress with easy access to information (SEE Innovation)
- Leverages government-wide standards (RPPR/FFR)

Current Research.gov Partners

Research.gov simplifies the research community's access to information and grant services for multiple federal agencies

- National Science Foundation (Lead Agency)
- National Aeronautics and Space Administration (Partner Agency)
- Department of Defense Research (Partner Agency)
- National Institute of Food and Agriculture (Partner Agency)

Formerly USDA's Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service



Current Research.gov Services

- **Public Facing Services:**

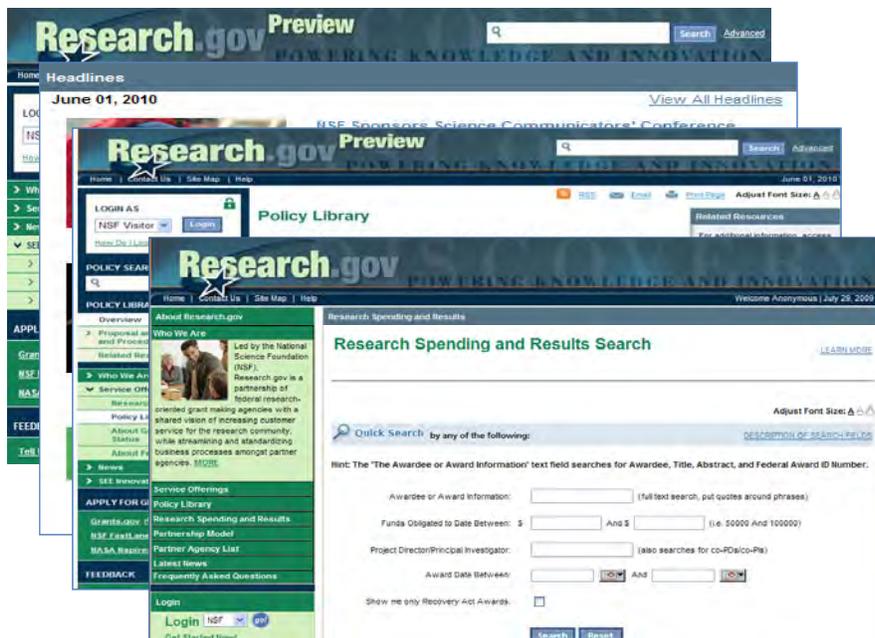
- SEE Innovation (New!)
- Research Spending & Results
 - Find Recovery Act Awards
- Research Headlines & Events
- Policy Library (Government-wide)

- **Research Community Services:**

- Project Outcomes Report for the General Public (New!)
- Grants Application Status
- Federal Financial Reports
- Manage institution and user accounts
- Research Performance Progress Reports (planning stage)
- Application Submission Web Service (now in pilot)



Research.gov: Public Facing Services



- SEE Innovation
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Research.gov: Research Community Services

The screenshot displays the Research.gov website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for Home, Contacts, Site Map, and Help. The main header features the Research.gov logo and the tagline 'POWERING KNOWLEDGE AND INNOVATION'. Below the header, the page is divided into several sections:

- Grants Application Dashboard:** This section shows a list of recent grant applications with columns for Agency, Tracking Number, and Status. Visible entries include:

Agency	Tracking Number	Status
DoD/ARO	55995	
CSREES	2008-04412	
CSREES	2008-04356	
CSREES	2006-04345	
CSREES	2007-05080	
NSF	0718308	
- My Desktop:** This section provides a summary of the user's grant applications, including a table with columns for Agency, Tracking Number, Submitter Institution, Description, Title of Project, Status, Status Date, and Requested Amount. Visible entries include:

Agency	Tracking Number	Submitter Institution	Description	Title of Project	Status	Status Date	Requested Amount
DoD/ARO	5702	Kansas State University	Multifunctional Wels...	organic Frameworks for Deschating Chemical...	Pending	11/09/2009	\$416,249
DoD/ARO	57793	University of Florida - Gainesville	Collaborative Research-Physical Mechanisms Responsible for...		Pending	10/08/2009	\$232,127
- Financial Report Dashboard:** This section displays the Federal Financial Report (FFR) Dashboard, showing a total of 46 FFRs and a requirement for action (1) pending agency action (0) approved (45).

- Project Outcomes Report
- Grants Application Status
- Federal Financial Report

For More Information

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<http://www.nsf.gov/staff>

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