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## Dear Colleague Letter: Programmatic Changes to the Evolutionary Processes Cluster in the Division of Environmental Biology

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Dear Colleagues:

The Evolutionary Processes Cluster has merged the two programs, Evolutionary Ecology and Evolutionary Genetics, into a single Evolutionary Processes (EP) Program. There is no change in the scope of topics that should be submitted to the Evolutionary Processes Program; any topic that would have been submitted to Evolutionary Ecology or Evolutionary Genetics should now be submitted to Evolutionary Processes. This includes proposals submitted in response to the Division of Environmental Biology core solicitation as well as proposals submitted in response to the Faculty Early Career Development (CAREER), Research Coordination Network, Long Term Research in Environmental Biology, and Opportunities for Promoting Understanding through Synthesis solicitations.

The change is due to the logistics associated with the move to a no-deadline proposal submission, which allows a more fluid management of panel timing and composition. The no-deadline approach allows for a flexible grouping of proposals into panels with a more tailored set of panel reviewers, potentially including panels that will span one or more clusters.

More information about the Evolutionary Processes Program can be obtained through the EP web page and program description (https://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm\_summ.jsp? pims\_id=503664&org=DEB&from=home) If you have any questions, please contact one of the EP program officers listed on the EP web page.

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