

FY06 PERFORMANCE MEASURES

Goal: Make all awards 30 calendar days prior to their requested start dates.

Performance Details:

30 calendar days or more = 100%

15 - 29 days = 95%

8 - 14 days = 90%

1 - 7 days = 85%

0 days = 80%

*1 - 7 days late = 75%

**8 - 14 days late = 70%

***15 - 21 days late = 65%

****22 - 28 days late = 60%

*****29 - 34 days late = 55%

*Action is elevated to Team Leader/Program Manager for resolution;

** Action is elevated to Grants Officer/GMAC Representative

*** Action is elevated to GMD Director/LO CFO

**** Action is elevated to AGO Deputy Director/LO DAA

***** Action is elevated to AGO Director/LO AA

Assumptions:

-- Must decouple start date of metric from the appropriations date. NOAA has no control over the date of appropriations by Congress.

-- NOAA does have control over the receipt of an application from Grants.gov or by hard copy through prior planning.

-- Prior fiscal year measures inaccurately reflected 100% on time performance for most of the first two quarters and

set a false expectation for the remainder of the fiscal year.

-- NOAA's start of the clock contingent upon receipt of an application through Grants.Gov with an acceptable start date, i.e., within timeframe of metric. If application start date is less than the measure, Grants Online system will send up an immediate flag to program officer to renegotiate start date. Renegotiation of start dates is acceptable, however the system will also track NOAA's overall review/processing time as described below.

NEPA: Categorical Exclusion/Environmental Assessment/Environmental Impact Statement - the amount of time stated for each category includes the CE process. For an EA add 60 days and EIS add 210 days to the program office time.

Performance measures for discretionary and non-discretionary funds are as follows based on the above goals and assumptions:

Competitive programs (new awards):

Time clock begins from the closing date of the FRN/FFO for each program announcement, i.e., day proposals are due. Programs with LOI/Preapplication process start the clock when the final application is due which must be stated in the FRN/FFO. Each Program announcement should state the type of merit review the application will go under along with the associated time frame in order to give the applicant an estimated award start date. If not stated in the announcement that information must be provided to Grants Online team for data programming purposes.

240 calendar days - Full merit review (combined mail and panel):

Equals - 150 calendar days (5 months) for merit review/selection process and 90 day lead time for GMD (60 days for review and issuance 30 days prior to start date)

210 calendar days - Mail merit review

Equals - 120 calendar days (4 months) for merit review/selection process and 90 day lead time for GMD (60 days for review and issuance 30 days prior to start date)

180 calendar days - Panel merit review
Equals - 90 calendar days (3 months) for merit review/selection process and 90 day lead time for GMD (60 days for review and issuance 30 days prior to start date)

Multi-Year continuing applications:

90 calendar days - Multi-Year (M/Y) award (release of funds for next year of activities).

Equals - 90 calendar days prior to anniversary date or requested start date with no changes to scope of work (project description) or budget. 45 days for program office and 45 days for GMD (15 days to prepare amendment and issue 30 days prior to start/effective date)

120 calendar days - M/Y with changes to scope of work and budget.

Equals - 60 days for program office to conduct merit review of changes and prepare submission. 60 days for GMD (30 days to complete and issue amendment 30 days prior to start date/anniversary date).

Non-competitive and non-discretionary awards (new awards):

180 calendar days from the receipt date of the 1st application through Grants.gov or date stamped in by LO.

Equals - 90 days to conduct merit review for the non-competitive applications or a programmatic review for the non-discretionary applications. 90 day lead time for GMD (60 days for review and issuance 30 days prior to start date).

Non-competitive and non-discretionary awards (continuations):

Continuation/Renewals of non-competitive and non-discretionary awards with no changes to project description or budget (within a 10% downward limitation)

120 calendar days from the receipt date of the 1st application through Grants.Gov or date stamped in by LO.

Equals - 60 days for LO to complete recommendation package to continue funding. 60 day lead time for GMD (30 days for review and issuance 30 days prior to start date).

Continuation/Renewals of non-competitive and non-discretionary awards with changes to project description or budget (i.e., greater than 10% in reduced funding or overall project changes as determined by FPO).

150 calendar days from the receipt date of the 1st application through Grants.Gov or date stamped in by LO.

Equals - 75 days for LO to complete merit review of changes and recommendation package to continue funding. 75 day lead time for GMD (45 days for review and issuance 30 days prior to start date).

Multi-year continuing applications:

90 calendar days - Multi-Year (M/Y) award (release of funds for next year of activities).

Equals - 90 calendar days prior to anniversary date or requested start date with no changes to scope of work (project description) or budget. 45 days for program office and 45 days for GMD (15 days to prepare and issue 30 days prior to start date)

120 calendar days - M/Y with changes to scope of work and budget.

Equals - 60 days for program office to conduct merit review of changes and prepare submission. 60 days for GMD (30 days to complete review and issue amendment 30 days prior to start date/anniversary date.

Cooperative Institute/Joint Institute type Multi-year programs:

75 calendar days - from Grants.Gov submission date through the review of a proposal submitted under an approved research theme.

Equals - 15 days for Program Office to complete their review. 30 days for GMD to complete their review and issue the amendment 30 days prior to the requested start date/effective date.