

P. L. 106 - 107 Monthly Report to the Grants.gov Executive Board

03/22/2004 through 04/21/2004

Purpose:

This report focuses on P. L. 106 -107 Initiative events, activities, and updates for the period of **03/22/2004** through **04/21/2004**.

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Background:

The Federal Financial Assistance Management Improvement Act (P.L. 106 -107) mandated the streamlining and standardization of the federal grant-making process. In response to this mandate an interagency structure was established to analyze current policies and processes and recommend changes to them consistent with the objectives of P. L. 106 -107. That structure consists of several Work Groups, with a coordinating body led by the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). Subsequent to the commencement of effort under the P. L. 106-107 structure, the E-Grants initiative, one of the 24 initiatives under the E-Gov umbrella of the President's Management Agenda, began. That initiative was integrally related to P. L. 106 -107 and had its own governance, structure, and schedule, it is now commonly known as Grants.gov. Both initiatives operate under separate Program Management Office (PMO) structures and maintain separate schedules.

Notable Accomplishments

03/22/2004 - 04/21/2004

P. L. 106 - 107 Milestones—FY04 - FY07

Milestone	Due Date	Status
Annual Report to Congress		
Develop 2004 Annual Report to Congress	September 2004	<p>Amber</p> <p>Request for report of updated workgroup activities sent to workgroup chairs.</p> <p>Interagency Reporting workgroup established.</p>
Research and Related (R&R)		
Deliver R&R Application Products (Data and Forms) to Grants.gov	TBD	<p>Green</p> <p>Version 1--application products (Data elements, forms, and instructions) delivered to Grants.gov.</p>
Mandatory		
Define Mandatory Application Data Standards	August, 2004	<p>Green</p> <p>Analyzing data elements for application.</p>
Define Mandatory Award Data Standards	TBD	<p>Green</p> <p>Analyzing data elements for award.</p>
Develop Mandatory Grants Policy Letter	TBD	<p>Green</p> <p>Revised letter with recent comments.</p> <p>Received legal endorsement, USDA.</p>
Post-Award		
Define Unified Invention Reporting Format (Data and Forms)	September 2004	<p>Green</p> <p>Uniform invention reporting format submitted to OMB.</p> <p>Subgroup developing standard formats or sets of data elements for reporting.</p>
Define unified Federal Financial Reporting	September 2004	<p>Green</p>

Milestone	Due Date	Status
Format (Combines SF-269 and SF-272 Data and Forms)		Submitted to OMB – 2/04. Addressing NPRM Comments.
Define Unified Real Property Reporting Format (Data and Forms)	September 2004	Green Form developed and data elements defined.
Define Unified Personal Property Reporting Format (Data and Forms)	September 2004	Green Streamlining form and defining data elements. Received clarification from OMB on areas of confusion regarding A-110 and A-102 as related to the Personal Property Report.
Define Unified Performance Reporting Format (Data and Forms)	September 2004	Green Form developed and data elements defined. Developed report instructions. Sent to Program Offices for informal comment.
Audit Oversight		
Revision to 2004 OMB Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement	March 2004	Green Final draft complete and sent to OMB.
Revision to 2004 OMB Circular A-133	TBD	
Pre-Award		
Information still being collected		

Notable P. L. 106 - 107 Activities and Events

03/22/2004 - 04/21/2004

- 3/24/2004 - Meeting of Performance Progress Reporting workgroup to revise form and data elements.
- 3/25/2004 - Data Analysis and Forms Development workshop presented by Grants.gov.
- 3/31/2004 - Stakeholder meeting.
- 4/1/2004 - Help Annual Report planning meeting.
- 4/06/2004 - Data Analysis and Forms Development workshop presented by Grants.gov.
- 4/6/2004 - Meeting of Mandatory Grants workgroup on Policy Letter and analyzing data elements.
- 4/15/2004 - Meeting of Performance Progress Reporting workgroup on report instructions.
- 4/21/2004 - Defined and documented Data Analysis process for workgroups.
- 4/21/2004 - Meeting with Reports work group to discuss status of each subgroup's activities, and plans for data analysis and form development.