2020

NIFA Deadline Extensions Due to COVID-19

Due to the disruptions arising from the national response to COVID-19, NIFA is extending the following deadlines. NIFA will continue to monitor the situation and post updates to this guidance on our web site.

AFRI

The following Agriculture and Food Research Initiative (AFRI) application submission deadlines will be adjusted, as follows:

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AREERA

Furthermore, NIFA has also extended the submission deadline for the 2021 Plan of Work for Agricultural Research, Extension, and Education Reform Act of 1998 (AREERA) capacity funded projects and programs from April 1st to May 1st.

NIFA’s goal is to provide applicant institutions additional time as they work through any operational challenges within their institutions arising from COVID-19. Even with increased flexibilities for applicants, NIFA still recommends applicants submit their applications as soon as possible.

Conclusion
At this time, no other deadlines have been extended. NIFA’s policies for accepting late applications are available online. If your application is delayed for a valid extenuating circumstances, please let the program contact listed in the Request for Application (RFA) know about the potential delay and submit all the required documentation after your application had been submitted to us. NIFA will consider your request at that time based on the information provided.

In addition to the announcement on NIFA’s home page, updates are also on the following pages:

- NIFA’s AFRI resource page
- NIFA’s AFRI Deadline page
- NIFA’s Plan of Work page
- NIFA’s POW and REEport Integration

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