

NSF Implementation of the Research Performance Progress Report

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- ★ Research Performance Progress Report Overview
- ★ NSF Implementation of the RPPR
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A person wearing a blue jacket, a brown cap, and white gloves is kneeling in a dirt pit, examining a fossilized skull. The scene is illuminated by a bright light source, creating a strong shadow and highlighting the texture of the soil and the fossil.

RESEARCH.GOV INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

★ NSF is:

- The funding source for approximately 20 percent of all federally supported basic research conducted by America's colleges and universities
- Tasked with keeping the United States at the leading edge of discovery in areas from astronomy to geology to zoology



Research.gov provides easy access to research-related information and services



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Government-wide grantees

- Find grant opportunities and submit proposals
- Apply for grants



NSF Grantees

- Find grant opportunities and submit proposals



Research Grantees

- Support the research community with a modern technology platform
- Submit financial and project reports

Research.gov is the modernization of FastLane, providing the next generation of grants management capabilities for the research community

Research.gov offers grants management services...



- ★ Access Services
 - InCommon
 - Single Sign-on with FastLane
- ★ Reporting Services
 - Project Outcomes Report
 - Annual, Final, and Interim Reports (Coming Soon)
- ★ Financial Services
 - The Federal Financial Report
 - Financial Services
 - Award Cash Management Service (Coming Soon)
- ★ Application Services
 - Grants Application Status
 - Application Submission Web Services

A screenshot of the Research.gov website. The header includes the Research.gov logo, a search bar, and navigation links like Home, Contact Us, Site Map, and Help. The main content area features a large banner for "New! Discover the Outcomes of NSF's Science, Engineering & Education Innovation" with a lightbulb icon. Below this is a "Our Services" section with links to Research Spending & Results, Science, Engineering, and Education Innovation (SEE Innovation), Policy Library, and Grants Application Status. A sidebar on the left contains "MY DESKTOP" with links to Research.gov Services & Tools, and "APPLY FOR GRANTS" with links to Grants.gov, NSF FastLane, and NASA Inspires. A "FEEDBACK" section is also present. The right sidebar includes "My Links" with various federal and research community links, and "Events".

...and public facing services

- ★ Research Spending & Results
- ★ Policy Library
- ★ SEE Innovation
- ★ Research Headlines & Events



The screenshot shows the Research.gov website with the following elements:

- Header:** "Research.gov" logo, search bar, "POWERING KNOWLEDGE AND INNOVATION" tagline, navigation links (Home, Contact Us, Site Map, Help), and date (October 12, 2011).
- Left Sidebar:** "LOGIN AS" section with "NSF Visitor" dropdown and "Login" button; "How Do I Login?" and "Register" links; a menu with "Who We Are", "Service Offerings", "News", "SEE Innovation" (expanded to show "Research Areas", "Locations", "Research Assets"), "APPLY FOR GRANTS" (with "Grants.gov", "NSF FastLane", "NASA Nspires" links), and "FEEDBACK" (with "Tell Us What You Think" link).
- Main Content Area:** "Understanding Quasars" article with a "Learn More" link and a space image; "Science, Engineering & Education Innovation" section with an NSF logo and text about NSF-funded projects; "Research Areas" section with "View All 12" link and "Astronomy & Space" category; "Locations" section with an interactive map and "Browse By Map" button.
- Bottom Section:** A grid of state links for "Locations": Alabama, Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, Washington, West Virginia.



RESEARCH PERFORMANCE PROGRESS REPORT

- ★ The Research Performance Progress Report (RPPR) is the result of a government-wide effort to create greater consistency in the administration of federal research awards by streamlining and standardizing reporting formats
 - The RPPR is the product of Research Business Models (RBM) Subcommittee of the Committee on Science (CoS), a committee of the National Science and Technology Council (NSTC)
 - Upon implementation, the RPPR will be used by federal agencies that support research and research-related activities.
 - NSF has led research agencies in the development of an RPPR data dictionary based upon the OMB RPPR approved policy

Research Performance Progress Report (RPPR)

The RPPR resulted from an initiative of the Research Business Models (RBM) Subcommittee of the Committee on Science (CoS), a committee of the National Science and Technology Council (NSTC). One of the RBM Subcommittee's priority areas is to create greater consistency in the administration of Federal research awards. Given the increasing complexity of interdisciplinary and interagency research, it is important for Federal agencies to manage awards in a similar fashion. Upon implementation, the RPPR will be used by agencies that support research and research-related activities for use in submission of interim progress reports. It is intended to replace other interim performance reporting formats currently in use by agencies. The RPPR does not change the performance reporting requirements specified in 2 CFR part 215 (OMB Circular A-110) and the Common Rule implementing OMB Circular A-102.

Each category in the RPPR is a separate reporting component. Agencies will direct recipients to report on the one mandatory component ("Accomplishments"), and also may direct them to report on optional components, as appropriate. Within a particular component, agencies may direct recipients to complete only specific questions, as not all questions within a given component may be relevant to all agencies. Agencies may develop an agency- or program-specific component, if necessary, to meet programmatic requirements, although agencies should minimize the degree to which they supplement the standard components. Such agency- or program specific requirements will require review and clearance by OMB. Agencies also may use other OMB approved reporting formats, such as the Performance Progress Report (PPR), if those formats are better suited to the agency's reporting requirements, for example, for research centers/institutes, clinical trials, or fellowship/training awards or in connection to reporting on program performance.

[OSTP/OMB Policy Letter](#)

Agency RPPR Implementation Plans

[DHHS/NIH \(and Other PHS Agencies\)](#)

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- ★ NSF will offer a new project reporting service on Research.gov which implements the RPPR format, replacing NSF's annual, final, and interim project reporting capabilities in the FastLane System
 - One of the key drivers in development of the project reporting service is to improve the user experience
 - Another key driver is to incorporate more structured collection of the project reports data for enhanced NSF use
 - NSF has led research agencies in the development of an RPPR data dictionary based upon the OMB RPPR approved policy

★ Mandatory Category:

- Accomplishments: What was done? What was learned?

★ Optional Categories:

- Products: What has the project produced?
- Participants & Other Collaborating Organizations: Who has been involved?
- Impact: What is the impact of the project? How has it contributed?
- Changes/Problems
- Special Reporting Requirements (where applicable)
- Appendix 1: Demographic Information for Significant Contributors

Key Differences of the New Project Report System



- ★ Project reporting dashboard
- ★ Structured collection of data
- ★ Rich text editor
- ★ PDF upload to support images, charts, and other complex graphics
- ★ Improved citation search through Thomson Web of Science
- ★ Special reporting requirements are controlled by solicitation
- ★ PI no longer provides demographic information on significant participants

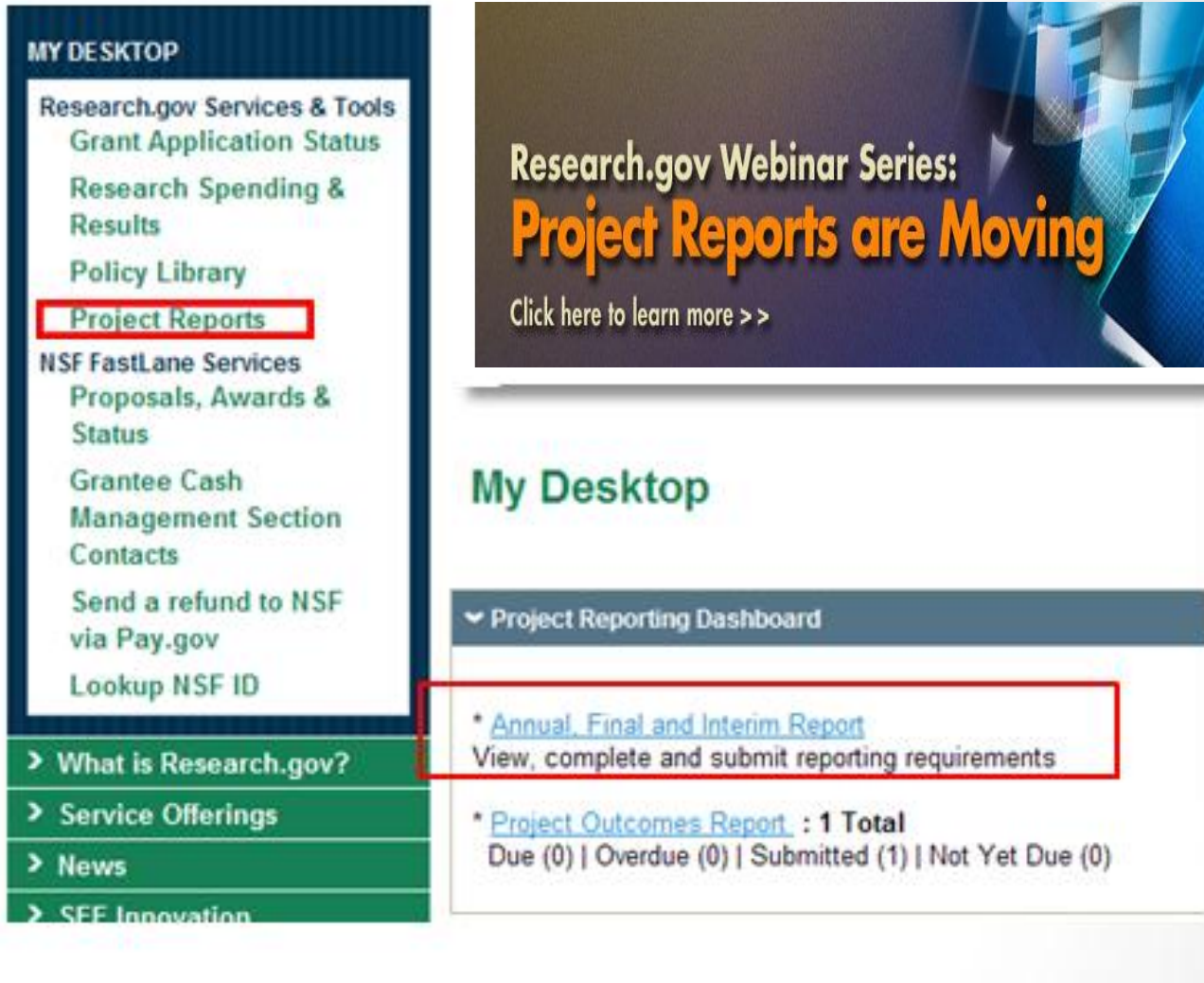
- ★ Project Report Pilot currently underway with 19 research organizations submitting project reports on Research.gov
- ★ Final Target Launch Date: March 18, 2013
 - ★ All NSF awards and institutions
 - ★ NSF awardees must stop submitting project reports in FastLane starting on February 1, 2013
 - ★ Program Officers must approve all submitted reports by March 15, 5 PM EST

Detailed Timeline and Activities



October 2012	November 2012	February 2013	March 2013
Pilot Phase 1	Pilot Phase 2	Full FastLane FREEZE	Full Operations
<i>6 Pilot Institutions</i>	<i>Expand to 25 additional Pilot institutions</i>	<i>Institute NSF-wide freeze on new project reporting in FastLane</i>	<i>All institutions migrated to Research.gov</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Communication with affected PIs and Institutions • FastLane freeze for 6 pilot institutions • POs approve all pending FastLane project reports for 6 pilot institutions • Overdue dates will be extended to 3/15 for all reports due between 9/15-12/3 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Communication with affected PIs and Institutions • FastLane freeze for 25 additional pilot institutions • POs approve pending FastLane project reports for 25 pilot institutions • Due dates extended to 1/21 for all reports due 12/4-1/21 with overdue date of 4/30 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide regular reports to Divisions with status of pending reports • POs approve all pending FastLane project reports by March 15 • Overdue dates will be extended by 45 days for reports overdue between 1/31-3/31 and by 30 days for reports overdue between 4/1 -4/30 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Turn off FastLane and migrate all users to Research.gov • Resume regular project report review and approval activities

Project Reports Access: PI View



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- Research.gov Services & Tools
 - Grant Application Status
 - Research Spending & Results
 - Policy Library
 - Project Reports**
- NSF FastLane Services
 - Proposals, Awards & Status
 - Grantee Cash Management Section
 - Contacts
 - Send a refund to NSF via Pay.gov
 - Lookup NSF ID

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My Desktop

▼ Project Reporting Dashboard

- * [Annual, Final and Interim Report](#)
View, complete and submit reporting requirements
- * [Project Outcomes Report](#) : 1 Total
Due (0) | Overdue (0) | Submitted (1) | Not Yet Due (0)

- ★ Login with FastLane User ID and password
- ★ Access Project Report Dashboard or navigation

Annual, Final, and Interim Project Reports: PI View



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Project Reports

[What is the difference between an Annual, Final, Interim and Project Outcomes Report?](#)

Reports Due | Reports Due < 12 Months | All Awards

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Award Number	Award Title	Report Type	Status	Days Until Overdue	Report Overdue Date	Action
0830294	NEESR-SG: Smart and Resilient Steel Walls for Reducing Earthquake Impacts	Annual	Returned	OVERDUE	10/01/2011	Create/Edit
0723064	MRI: Acquisition of Equipment to Simulate Collapse of Engineered Systems under E...	Final	Due	OVERDUE	05/01/2012	Create/Edit
0421577	NEESR-SG: Seismic Behavior, Analysis and Design of Complex Wall Systems	Final	Due	OVERDUE	06/30/2012	Create/Edit
1000440	Collaborative Research: Machine Vision Enhanced Post Earthquake Inspection and ...	Annual	Due	OVERDUE	07/27/2012	Create/Edit

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Award 0723064 - Final Project Report

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Report Content

Cover

Accomplishments

Products

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Impact

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Impact - What is the impact of the project?

INSTRUCTIONS - This component will period.

For NSF purposes, include, where appropriate, scientists, or new disciplines.

If there is nothing significant to report

* What is the impact on the development of the principal discipline(s) of the project?

Describe how findings, results, techniques that were developed or extended, or other products from the project made an impact or are likely to make an impact on the base of knowledge, theory, and research and/or pedagogical methods in the principal disciplinary field(s) of the project.

Nothing to report

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Project Report: PI View

Search Products/Journals



Cover Accomplishments **Products** Participants Imp

Products - What has the project produced?
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* Required fields

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 - Publications
 - Technologies or techniques
 - Inventions, patent applications, and/or licenses
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 - Other Products
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Project Report: PI View

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 - Accomplishments
 - Products
 - Special Requirements

Project Report: SPO View

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Reports Due | Reports Due < 12 Months | **Report Search** | All Awards

Search for an Award's Project Report (s):

Search by any of the following criteria.

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Award Number:

Award Title:

Award Status: Active Closed

PI/Co-PI Last Name:

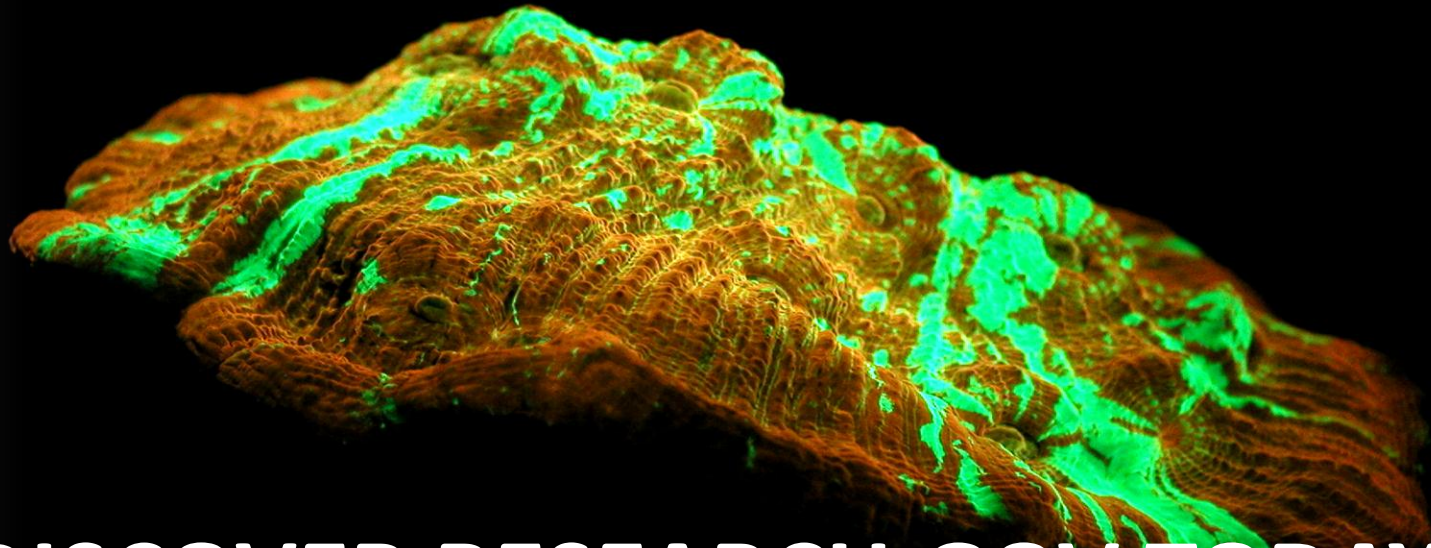
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Report Type: Required Interim (PR) OR Annual (APR) Final (FPR) Project Outcomes (POR)

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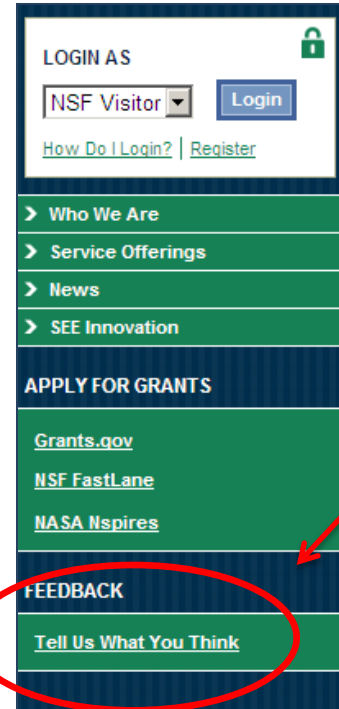
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