

ACTION MEMORANDUM

To: Principal Investigators and Authorized Organization Representatives of Proposals to NASA MUREP Earth Systems Science Research Solicitation (ESSR)

Date: April 30, 2025

From: MUREP/SMD Research Partnership Activity Manager

Subject: Action - Proposal Revision Opportunity due to conflict with the Administration's Executive Orders (EOs).

Bottom Line Up Front: The initial review of proposals submitted in response to EONS Appendix #13: FY 2024 MUREP Earth Systems Science Research is complete. To ensure compliance with the Administration's Executive Orders (EOs) and NASA guidance, proposers have an opportunity to revise and resubmit proposals in areas that conflict or are non-compliant. Therefore, before the proposals can be reconsidered, all PIs must revise and resubmit their proposals to address any content that conflicts with the Administration's EOs.

Background: To ensure compliance with the Administration's Executive Orders—"Ending Radical and Wasteful Government DEI Programs and Preferences" and "Defending Women from Gender Ideology Extremism and Restoring Biological Truth to the Federal Government"—as well as alignment with guidance from the NSSC, OMB, and OSTEM, you are required to revise and resubmit your MUREP Earth Systems Science Research proposal for award funding consideration. The revised submission must address the items outlined in the executive orders above which highlight the removal of all references to diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI), underrepresented participants, Environmental Justice (EJ) and gender preference. Please revise only the areas where the conflict exists. If revisions to non-compliant activities necessitate a change in the associated budget, the proposer may propose replacement activities to bring the proposal into compliance.

The Earth Science to Action strategy online has been modified in response to the EOs. It is the research, application and action resource you should refer to for science language to use. Additionally, as provided during the pre-proposal webinars, the pyramid diagram on the Earth Science to Action [strategy page](#) is particularly helpful for accuracy for approved budgeted research strategies, activities and language.

Another reference that you might find helpful to pull from is the 2025-2026 Science Strategy – it's very succinct. The Earth Science language appears on page 12 of the PDF (labeled on the page as 13):

<https://assets.science.nasa.gov/content/dam/science/cds/about-us/2025/2025-2026-NASA-Science-Plan.pdf>.

Directions

Certain content, language, statements, activities, metrics, targets, selection criteria, goals, objectives, or frameworks in your proposal may conflict with the Executive Orders listed above. Revised proposals must be resubmitted following the steps below.

No later than **11:59pm Eastern Standard Time on Wednesday, May 21, 2025**, Proposers are required to upload three **items to this link**:

<https://nasagov.app.box.com/f/dbab1d8f604d4a1ca51a7e1a367c78c1>

1. The revised proposal – **WITHOUT** highlights/strikethroughs
 - a. Naming Convention: Proposal Number_Revised A_ Organization Name
2. The revised proposal – **WITH** highlights/strikethroughs
 - a. Naming Convention: Proposal Number_Revised B_ Organization Name
3. An Excel File documenting actions completed to address any EO conflicts identified during your review of your proposal
 - a. Naming Convention: Proposal Number_Revised Actions _Organization Name. Note, an example has been provided in red below.

Overview of Actions Excel Example:

Item #	Item in Conflict with Executive Order	Proposed Revision	PDF Page (Please include all applicable page numbers)
1	Support marginalized students in STEM with direct funding.	Support all students in STEM with direct funding	8, 12

Please add the following language to the cover page of both of your proposal resubmissions:

1. *Revised Resubmission Based on Executive Orders*
2. *Resubmission Date: May XX, 2025*

Your responsibility as the PI:

In addition to addressing the items listed above, it is your responsibility to ensure that no content in the revised proposal conflicts with the Executive Orders or NASA policy changes in the GCAM. If you have any questions regarding your proposal, including the items outlined in the **“Directions”** section, please contact your Authorized Organizational

Representative (AOR).

Confirmations:

You will receive an email confirmation within 24 hours of submission, except for submissions made on Friday, May 9, which will receive confirmation on Monday, May 12.

Office Hours:

On Wednesday, May 7 from 2:00-3:00pm ET and Wednesday, May 14 from 4:00-5:00pm ET office hours will be held in a TEAMS meeting with the project team to answer your questions. Questions may be submitted to NASAESSR@nasaprs.com, prior to the TEAMS meeting. Dial in by phone is not available. Downloading the TEAMS app may allow you to join from a mobile device.

Wednesday, May 7 from 2:00-3:00pm ET	Wednesday, May 14 from 4:00-5:00pm ET
<p><u>Join the meeting now</u></p> <p>Meeting ID: 249 463 801 290 7 Passcode: du2X5j8X</p>	<p><u>Join the meeting now</u></p> <p>Meeting ID: 296 720 726 226 3 Passcode: zF6u3Tv6</p>

Thank you for your interest in NASA MUREP's Earth Systems Science Research. We appreciate your time as we ensure adherence to NASA and Administration policies.

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