

The Office of Sponsored Projects (OSP) is closely monitoring the Government Shutdown. While parts of the federal government (such as DHHS) are fully funded for the entire Fiscal Year '19, other agencies are not.

Information in this guidance applies only to those agencies affected by the partial shutdown, NIH for example, should not be affected.

We will keep you posted as we learn more.

During a Shutdown

Affected federal agency operations cease during a shutdown. These federal agencies may temporarily stop making payments. Expect a lack of federal communications related to affected agency proposals and awards.

OSP will continue with business as usual within any constraints created by unavailable sponsor systems and staff. OSP's goal is to process items received to the extent possible.

Award Impacts-FAQ

Can I continue to work on the project?

At this time, CSUSM Corporation projects funded by affected agencies can continue work unless:

- a notice from the agency or sponsor was received to halt the work.
- agency resources (e.g. personnel, data, facilities) are fundamental to the progress of the project.

Affected Awards

CSUSM Corporation has over 70 active awards totaling over \$11M (including pass thru/flow through funding), a portion of which we either cannot draw down or invoice for incurred expenditures, or if we can, we cannot receive reimbursement.

Affected Awards by Agency (partial listing):

- Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)
- National Endowment for the Arts (NEA)
- National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH)
- National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA)
- National Science Foundation (NSF)

- US Department of Agriculture (USDA)
- US Department of Homeland Security (DHS)
- US Forest Service (USFS)

No-Cost Extension Requests to Affected Agencies

No-cost extensions to affected agencies requiring agency approval are on HOLD awaiting agency review. These will be delayed until affected agencies can resume their work and get up to speed on their backlog. Please abide by the current end date.

Unless directed otherwise by awarding agency:

If the research is **not** accessing agency locations, resources, data, personnel, or additional funding, the work should continue as long as you have available award funding. Performance beyond the time period or amounts covered by the award is not allowed.

Exceeding allotted award amounts is not recommended, may not be reimbursed by the sponsor, and will fall to the department to resolve any potential budget deficit.

Affected U.S. Departments & Agencies (partial listing):

The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has published [agency contingency plans](#) along with [FAQs](#) and [Special Instructions for Agencies Affected](#).

Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration

- National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA)
- **US Forest Services (USFS):**
 - If funds are already obligated you can continue work until further notice from USFS
 - New awards will not be issued
 - FS oversight, support, input etc. is not available
 - Payment requests can't be submitted or approved
 - Review the Lapse in Appropriations [FAQs](#) posted on the agency contingency plan website
- USDA ezFEDGrants System

- ezFED Grants remains available, however, there is no system support until funding is reinstated. If you have an issue with ezFedGrants, email: ezFedGrants@cfo.usda.gov or use the “Contact USDA” feature in the application. ezFedGrants staff will respond when operations resume.

Other [USDA Agencies](#)

Commerce, Justice, and Science

- **National Science Foundation (NSF):** [Information About the Government Shutdown for NSF Proposers and Grantees](#)
 - Will continue to accept proposals in accordance with published deadlines
 - Proposals will not be processed until normal operations resume
 - No new funding opportunities will be issued
 - No new grants or cooperative agreements will be awarded
 - Awardees may continue performance under their NSF awards to extent funds are available and within the awarded period of performance
 - No payments will be made
 - Grantee-approved no-cost extensions (i.e. notification in Fastlane) can be processed
 - NSF-approved no-cost extension will NOT be processed
 - Other [Commerce Bureaus & Agencies](#) and [DOJ Agencies](#)

Interior and Environment

- **Fish & Wildlife (FWS)**
- National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH)
- National Park Services

[DOI Bureaus & Offices](#)

Awards

Federal awards from affected agencies will not be issued during the federal shutdown. Awards that have already reached OSP prior to a shutdown will be processed as normal.

Awards from affected agencies that have been issued a project number can begin or continue work unless notification is received from the sponsor. Cooperative agreements could be affected if federal participation is required, but not available.

Contracts

In the unlikely event a sponsor sends a stop-work order, OSP will immediately notify principal investigators and project directors. If you receive a stop-work order, send to sponsoredprojects@csusm.edu.

Other Post Submission/Post Award Requests

For other requests not yet in OSP, please wait until those affected federal sponsor systems and staffing are available and use the standard process.

Please forward any communications received related to a shutdown and your federal awards to sponsoredprojects@csusm.edu.