

Research.gov Proposal Preparation Site Survey

1. Please indicate your role(s). (Check all that apply)
 - *Principal Investigator (PI)*
 - *Co-Principal Investigator (co-PI)*
 - *Sponsored Projects Office (SPO)*
 - *Authorized Organizational Representative (AOR)*
 - *Other Authorized User (OAU)*

2. In your past experience with the National Science Foundation (NSF), how often have you used FastLane for proposal preparation in the last 5 years?
 - *Never*
 - *1 to 4 times*
 - *5 to 10 times*
 - *More than 10 times*

3. Please rate your user experience in the following areas for the new Research.gov proposal preparation site:

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
Research.gov proposal preparation is an easy system to learn to use	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Research.gov proposal preparation webpage layout is intuitive	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Research.gov proposal preparation site may help to reduce administrative burden ¹	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Research.gov proposal preparation help tips and notes are helpful	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Real-time compliance checking for proposal sections on the Research.gov proposal preparation site is valuable to me	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Research.gov proposal preparation site consolidated budget form data entry reduces my administrative burden	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Research.gov proposal preparation site use of standard PDFs as the upload format for most of the proposal sections makes the upload process easy for me	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

¹ The “administrative burden” regarding proposals is primarily associated with to the preparation of detailed budgets, ensuring proper proposal formatting, and other related requirements, as well as difficulties with proposal submission that increase workload.

4. For the question above regarding your rating of the “Research.gov proposal preparation site may help to reduce administrative burden,” can you briefly describe how the new Research.gov proposal preparation site may help or not help with this? (text box)

5. What features or information, if any, caused confusion or were difficult to locate on the new Research.gov proposal preparation site? (text box)

6. What’s the one most important feature NSF should add to the new Research.gov proposal preparation site? (Select one)

- *Additional font types*
- *Excel upload for the budget*
- *SPO or AOR lock during proposal review*
- *Ability to invite users to join proposals rather than adding the users*
- *OAU proposal creation enablement*
- *Other _____ (text box)*

7. Your comments, questions, and concerns are very important to NSF. Please include any additional feedback in the space provided. (text box)

8. If you would like to be added to NSF’s list of volunteers who participate in future application usability studies, surveys, and webinars, please enter your contact information below.

Your Name _____ (text box)

Your Organization _____ (text box)

Your Email _____ (text box)

Thank you for participating in this survey!