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#### Comment

90-2 has become easier to use and after holding a training for the new FOs, it Yes, I mean there should just be the long form and not both the long and short. As far as the 90-4, the main feedback I get from FOs is for an excel format budget I like the excel 90-4 format. It is different with the years adding on in the form vs a Can you break them out into a PDF form so you can upload into Grants.gov or With respect to the 90-4 – please provide an EXCEL worksheet rather than Word With respect to the 90-2 – the dropdown for research readiness seems fine. Only I would also agree that any box we do not have to fill in, should be removed from Saw that. Most of the readiness levels are not something, at least at RISG, that we That said, if we are checking off one of the top 3 most all the time, no big deal in I have spent the afternoon working on 90-4 forms, so I am feeling rather familiar I haven't had any problems with the 90-2 forms and like the requirement of cross-Since we do not really have a choice for the 'research readiness levels' being There are nine categories, some of them very similar, so there could be confusion Can the 90-2 form be linked to PIER or some other mechanism developed so that Make sure the macros in 90-2 form, especially to look ups – affiliation and partners Provide a better definition of 'multiprogram' yellow box as well as regional project. The suggestion for getting rid of unused cells is a good idea.

As per the 90-4 budget forms there are a couple of changes that could be helpful. Is this the 90-2 that I have my PIs complete? If so, what is critically needed is Finally, I receive my proposals via email from PIs as 1 compiled pdf file, so ideally For the 90-2 forms, I don't think Illinois-Indiana Sea Grant has a problem dropping Regarding readiness levels, I think it will be important for NSGO to consider and Some feedback on the 90-4 form is that it would be really nice to have an Excel Is it possible to have categories in the 424 part of the application packet and our I see under the omnibus guidance that was provided us, the comparison between

#### Response

We have two versions of the 90-2 form, the short form designed to provide a (in response to a question about what she meant in previous comments about "do We will examine all 90-4 templates and suggestions for improvement of the form,

A vote for an Excel-based 90-4 form that can cover four years of a project and Some commercial grant application software could not accept Excel file

We are looking at 90-4 Excel-based templates provided by the network and intend The rules for when the readiness levels must be provided are still being worked We plan to implement this suggestion to drop unused fields.

NOAA is revisiting its working definitions of Readiness Levels to make sure they A comment on readiness levels.

Another call for a spreadsheet-based (e.g., Excel) version of the 90-4 form. We will (2) provide an Excel spreadsheet version of the 90-4. (no response necessary)

A comment on readiness levels

We will do this.

NOAA is working on clarifying and improving the definitions of these readiness We are looking into whether this is technically possible, and we will see if this can Will check the macro workings, and the clarity of the instructions provided.

We plan to implement this suggestion to drop unused fields.

Another request for an Excel version of 90-4, which can provide multiyear totals.

We agree that detailed guidance is a good idea and will work with programs to We will work on a mechanism to accept information in a PDF file format. This will We plan to implement this suggestion to drop unused fields.

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Commenter is referring to the fact that the budget categories on the 90-4 form do (a followup comment addressing the concerns of the previous comment about the

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please make an Excel version of the 90-4 form, with enhancements provide a PDF version of the 90-2 form collecting information on readiness levels is fine removing unused fields is fine address/improve the macros used to fill out the 90-2 form provide more/better/different guidance on how to fill out the 90-2 and 90-4 forms

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