USDA - National Institute of Food and Agriculture (System-to-System)

Instruction Contents	Page
Contents	1
Getting Started	
1. Contact SPA Research Administrator	
2. SPA Research Administrator Services	2
3. SPA InfoEd Support Team Services	
4. SPA Web Site	
Assemble your Proposal Information	3
Login to InfoEd	4
Create New Proposal	5
New Proposal Questionnaire	6, 7, 8, 9, 10
Setup Questions Tab	11, 12, 13
SF424 (R&R) Tab	14, 15
Performance Sites Tab	16
Internal Documents Tab	17
Budget Tab	18
Personnel Tab	19
S2S Tab	20
Finalize Tab - Submit for Internal Review	21
Principal Investigator Certification	22
Submit to Internal Route	23
InfoEd Lock Down	24
Electronic Routing System - Review Dashboard - This is how Deans and Chairs Approve Proposal	24
Routing System Email to Deans, Chairs, SPA and Other Approvers	25
Review Dashboard	26
Final Steps	27

USDA - National Institute of Food and Agriculture (System-to-System)

Get Started

1. Contact SPA Research Administrator

SPA recommends you contact your assigned SPA Research Administrator at least four (4) weeks ahead of your sponsor deadline.

SPA Research Administrators

Gretchen Argraves

Karin Bourassa

Julie Macy

Joshua Tyack

2. SPA Research Administrator Services

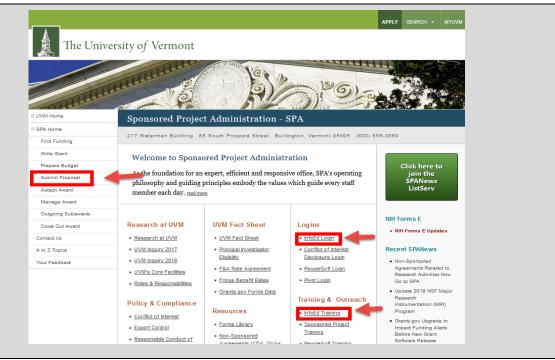
- Interpret the sponsor guidelines
- Provide information for some of the application pages
- Prepare the SPA Budget Worksheet (excel document)
- · Upload the sponsor guidelines to InfoEd (if there are any)
- Convert final version of SPA Budget Worksheet to pdf format and upload to InfoEd
- Preliminary review and approval of proposal at the start of the route
- Final review and approval of final version of proposal at end of the route
- Obtain UVM institutional approval signature

3. SPA InfoEd Support Team Services

- How to upload your proposal document to InfoEd
- How to complete the on-line Routing Form
- How to electronically route the proposal
- Provide help and training for InfoEd Proposal Development and Proposal Tracking systems

4. SPA Web Site

Submit Proposal steps can be located on SPA web site



USDA - National Institute of Food and Agriculture (System-to-System)

Assemble your Proposal Information

Before creating a proposal record in InfoEd, you should have ready some key pieces of information about your project.

This information does not need to be final.

After creating the proposal, you may continue to make changes until you are ready to submit.

To start your proposal in InfoEd, you must provide the following details:

Principal Investigator

USDA NIFA Funding Opportunity (Grants.gov Opportunity Number)

Proposal Department

Proposal Center/Program (if applicable)

Proposal Type: New Proposal or Competitive Renewal

Sponsor Name

Project Title

Project Start and End Dates

Submission Deadline

F&A Rate Type (Research on Campus, for instance)

Additional information specific to your USDA - National Institute of Food and Agriculture funding opportunity

Will your proposal involve the use of human subjects?

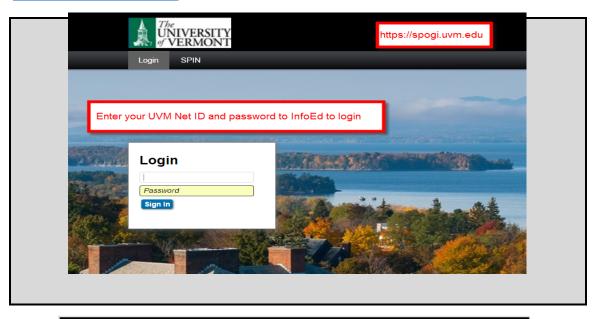
Will your proposal involve the use of laboratory animals?

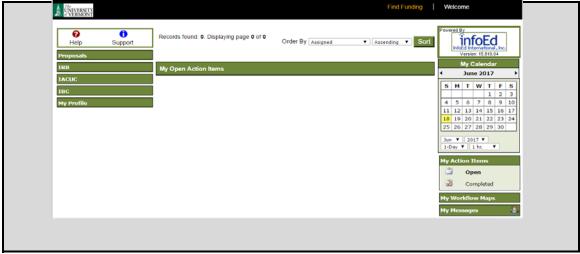
If you have preliminary answers to all of the above, you are ready to begin.

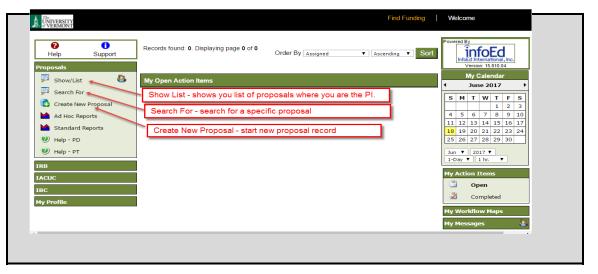
USDA - National Institute of Food and Agriculture (System-to-System)

Login to InfoEd

https://spogi.uvm.edu/







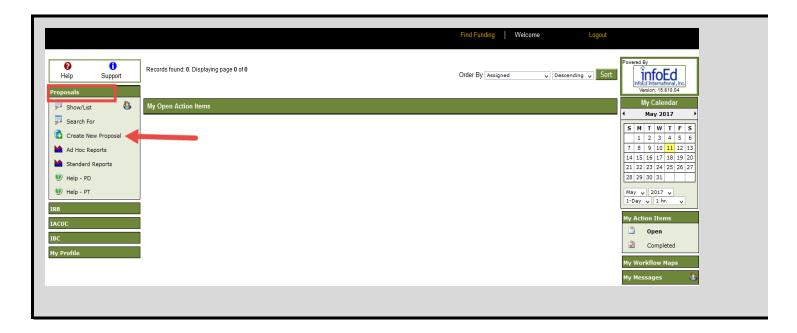
Start a New Proposal

USDA - National Institute of Food and Agriculture (System-to-System)

Create New Proposal

- 1. Login to InfoEd using the link on the UVM SPA Home Page https://spogi.uvm.edu
- 2. Click the "Proposals" button at top left corner (see below).
- 3. Click the "Create New Proposal" button (see below).

If you do not have a "Proposal" button or a "Create New Proposal" button, please contact SPA for assistance.



Start a New Proposal

USDA - National Institute of Food and Agriculture (System-to-System)

New Proposal Questionnaire

The New Proposal Questionnaire takes you step- by-step through the essential details of your proposal.

Answer each question with the most current information you have, then click "continue" to go on to the next question.

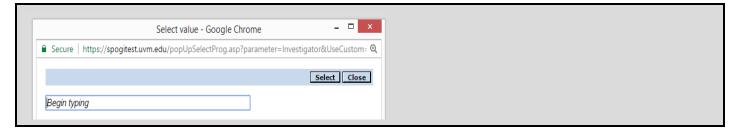
Remember, you may still correct or change this information after you create the proposal.

Principal Investigator

The PI name will default to the name of whoever has logged in to InfoEd to create the proposal. If you are a PI starting your own proposal, your name should appear correctly at the top of the page (see below). If you are a Department Administrator creating a proposal on the PI's behalf, you will need to change the name as follows:

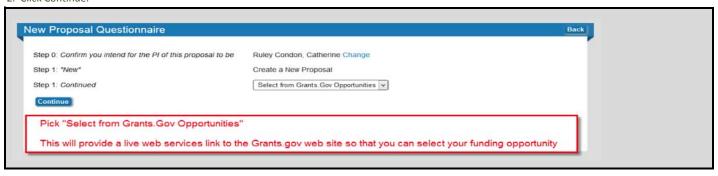
- 1. Click the "Change" hyperlink.
- 2. Begin typing the PI's name until the name appears in the drop-down list.
- 3. Select the name and click "Continue."
- 4. If the PI name does not appear in the drop-down list, please contact SPA for assistance.
- 5. Click continue





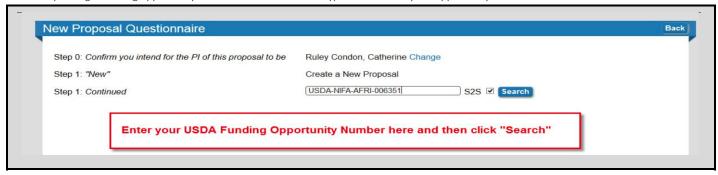
Select from Grants.Gov Opportunities

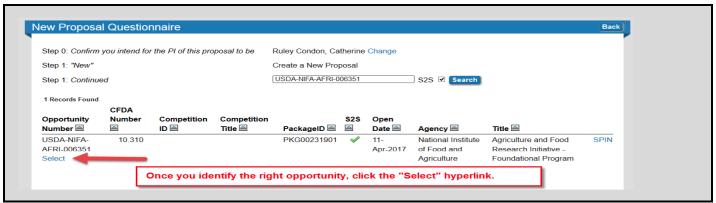
- 1. Pick "Select from Grants.gov Opportunities" in pick list
- 2. Click Continue.



Enter your USDA Funding Opportunity Number and Click Search (\$2\$ button must be checked)

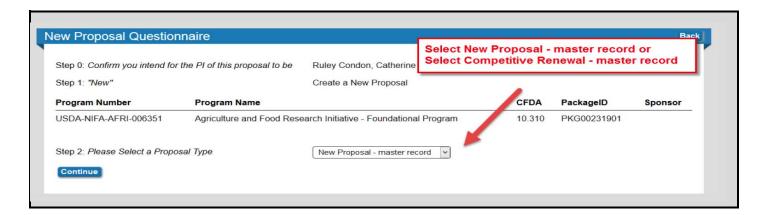
- 1. Enter your USDA NIFA Funding Opportunity Number and Click Search
- 2. This will open a live web services link to Grants.gov web site where you will be able to identify and select your funding opportunity.
- 3. The Search will bring up all opportunities that fit your criteria
- 4. Identify the right funding opportunity and then click the "Select" hyperlink to select your Opportunity Number





Select Proposal Type

- $1. \ \ Most \ proposals \ will \ be \ either \ a \ New \ Proposal Master \ Record \ or \ a \ Competitive \ Renewal Master \ Record.$
- 2. Select the appropriate type and click "Continue."
- 3. Note: If you are working with a Continuation or a Supplement on an existing award, please contact your SPA Research Administrator.
- 4. Click Continue



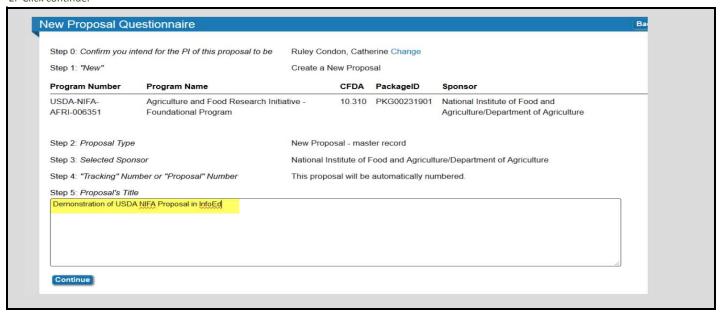
Select Sponsor

- 1. Start typing in National Institute of Food and Agriculture/Department of Agriculture.
- 2. The sponsor name will appear allowing you to select it
- 3. Click Continue



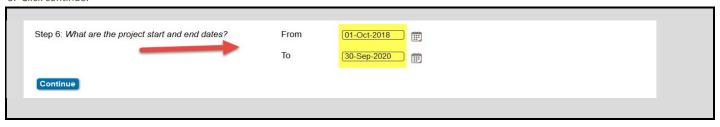
Enter Project Title

- 1. Enter proposal title with the major words capitalized. Please be sure there are no punctuation marks or extra spaces at the end.
- 2. Click continue.



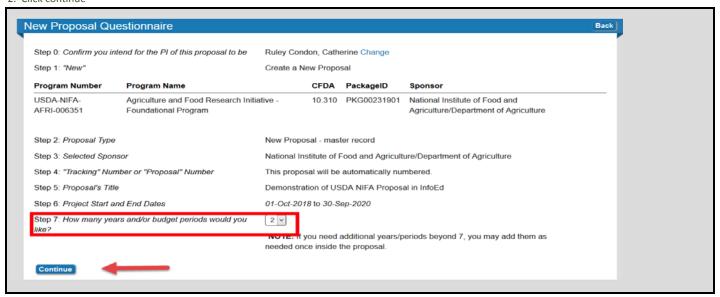
Enter Project Start and End Dates

- 1. Enter the anticipated start and end date for your proposal and click "Continue."
- 2. Be sure that your proposed start and end dates fall within the sponsor's guidelines.
- 3. Click continue.



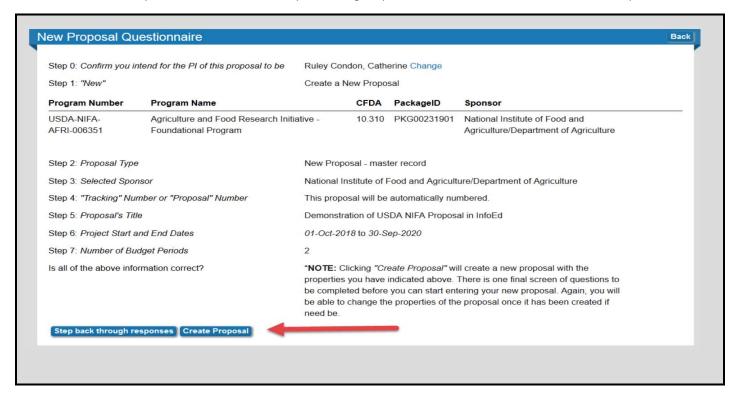
Confirm the Number of Budget Periods You Would Like

- 1. Confirm the number of budget periods is correct
- 2. Click continue



Is all the above Information Correct?

- 1. Review the information you provided in Questions 1 through 7
- 2. Use Back button at top right corner to step back though responses for any needed corrections.
- 3. Confirm the information you have entered or use the "Step back through responses" button to make corrections. Click Create Proposal button.



InfoEd Proposal Number Assigned

- 1. InfoEd will assign a new proposal number.
- 2. Write down the proposal number so you can easily find it later on.

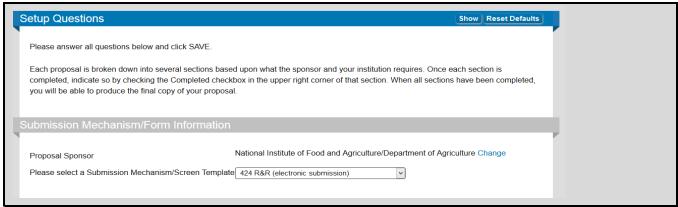
USDA - National Institute of Food and Agriculture (System-to-System)

Setup Questions Tab

The InfoEd "Setup Questions Tab" will prompt you for responses to the questions

Submission Mechanism / Form Information

- 1. Proposal Sponsor: Leave sponsor name set to National Institute of Food and Agriculture/Department of Agriculture
- 2. Submission Mechanism/Screen Template: Leave it set as 424 R&R (electronic submission)



Grants.gov Submission Information

1. Do not change the information in this section

rants.Gov Submission Infor	mation
Opportunity Number	USDA-NIFA-AFRI-006351
Opportunity Title	Agriculture and Food Research Initiative - Foundational Program
Offering Agency	National Institute of Food and Agriculture
Open Date	11-Apr-2017
Close Date	30-Sep-2018 Close Date is 10 days later than the close date posted at Grants.Gov to ensure availability of opportunities within InfoEd/PD for appropriate late submissions.
CFDA Number	10.310
CFDA Description	Agriculture and Food Research Initiative (AFRI)
Competition ID	
Form Version	N/A
PackageID	PKG00231901
Agency Contact	

2. Scroll down to Form section - The forms will auto populate based on the subsequent questions. Do not change the selections.

Form	Version	Included
RR_SF424_2_0	RR_SF424_2_0-V2.0	✓
AFRI_Project_Type	AFRI_Project_Type-V1.0	✓
RR_Budget_1_3	RR_Budget_1_3-V1.3	✓
RR_KeyPersonExpanded_2_0-V2.0	RR_KeyPersonExpanded_2_0-V2.0	✓
Other Project Info	RR_OtherProjectInfo_1_3-V1.3	✓
Personal Data	RR_PersonalData_1_2-V1.2	✓
PerformanceSite_2_0-V2.0	PerformanceSite_2_0-V2.0	✓
NIFA_Supplemental_Info_1_2	NIFA_Supplemental_Info_1_2-V1.2	✓
RR_SubawardBudget30_1_3-V1.3	RR_SubawardBudget30_1_3-V1.3	

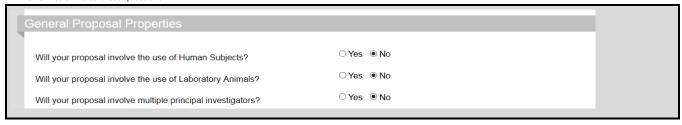
Deadline Information

- 1. InfoEd will guess at the right date, and is often wrong.
- 2. Enter the correct USFDA NIFA deadline for submission



General Proposal Properties

1. Answer Yes or No to these questions.



Associate Department

The Associated Department will automatically default to the Principal Investigator's Home Department.

If the proposal should be setup up in a department other than the Principal Investigator's home department, click the Add button to add the correct department.

Then save the page, using the save button at top left corner.

Then click the radio dial to change the Associated Department to the new Department. Save the page again, using save button at top left corner.

Finally, use the "remove" button next to the incorrect department to remove it. There should only be one department listed here.

Associate Centers/Programs

The Associated Centers/Programs will automatically default to "None Identified".

For most proposals, you need not do anything else with this field. Leave it as "None identified."

However, if you intend to use the PeopleSoft "Program" Chartfield, click the Add button and locate the Center/Program from the list.

Then save the page, using the save button at top left corner.

If you cannot find the appropriate Center/Program, please contact SPA for assistance.



Budget Setup Information

Program Type - UVM F&A Rate

Select Program Type - Select from drop box the appropriate F&A Rate to be used.

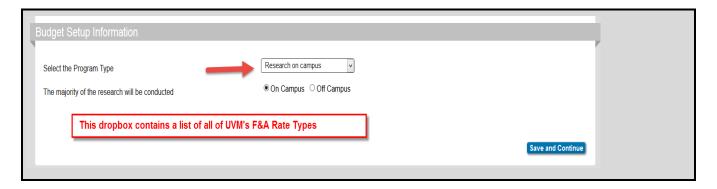
If you don't know which F&A Rate Type to pick, contact SPA for assistance

Indicate whether the majority of the work will be done On Campus or Off Campus.

This should match the F&A Rate you selected above.

Save and Continue

Your proposal record is now set up and you can begin completing the rest of the tabs.



Click Save and Continue. The proposal Setup Questions are now complete.

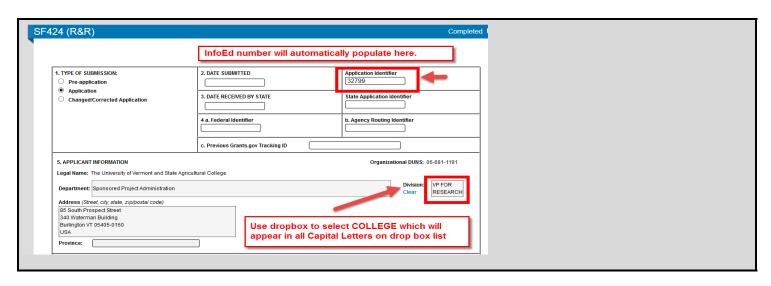
USDA - National Institute of Food and Agriculture (System-to-System)

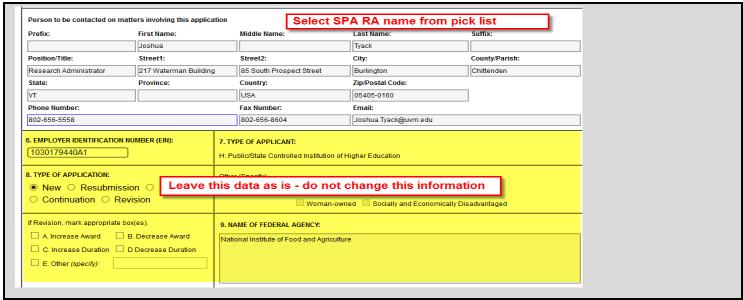
SF424 (R&R) Tab

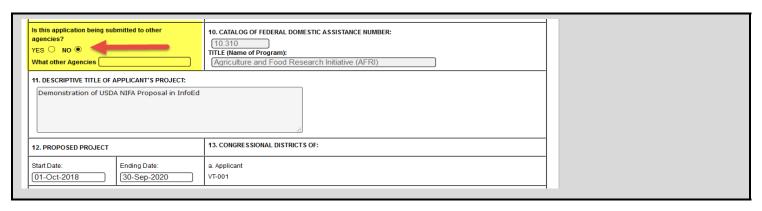
This is the USDA NIFA Cover Page.

Most of the information is automatically populated from the Principal Investigator's InfoEd Profile and from the InfoEd Institutional Data.

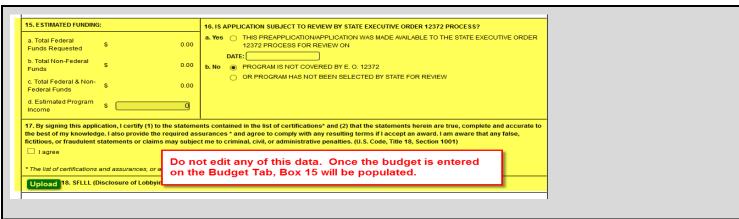
Populate the remaining fields and when done, click the "Completed" box at top right corner of Tab.

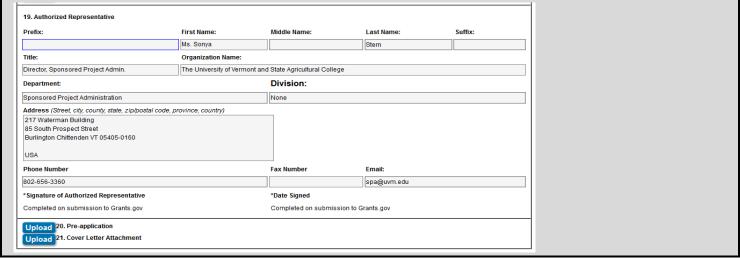










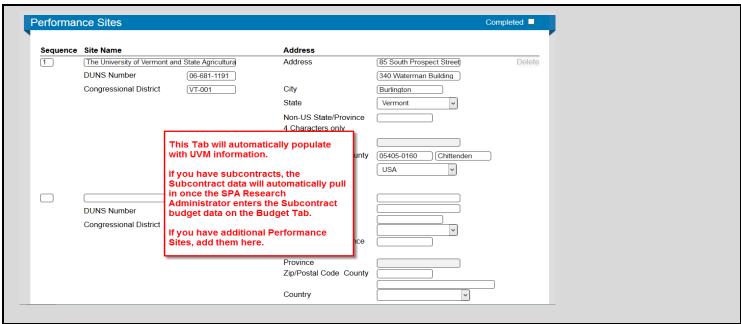


When the data is completed, click the "Completed" checkbox at top right corner of Tab.

USDA - National Institute of Food and Agriculture (System-to-System)

Performance Sites Tab

List Performance Sites here



When the data is completed, click the "Completed" checkbox at top right corner of Tab.

Start a New Proposal

USDA - National Institute of Food and Agriculture (System-to-System)

Internal Documents Tab

There are typically 2 or 3 documents uploaded at the bottom on this Tab.

1. SPA Routing Form (required)

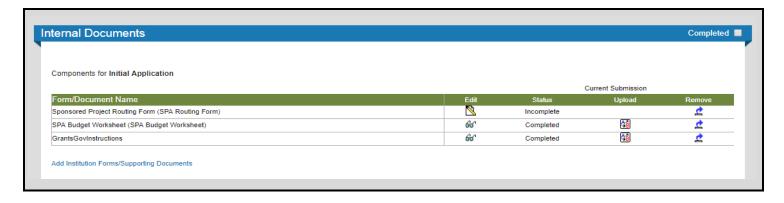
The Principal Investigator or the Department Administrator will open and complete the SPA Routing Form, which is now an electronic form embedded within InfoEd on the Internal Documents Tab.

2. SPA Budget Worksheet (required)

The SPA Research Administrator work closely with Principal Investigator and Department Administrator to develop the proposal budget using the below excel SPA Budget Worksheet. Once the budget is completed, SPA will upload a pdf version of the spreadsheet to InfoEd.

3. Grants.gov Instructions - Gets pulled in automnatically when you create the proposal

Once all required documents are uploaded, click the "Complete" box at the top right corner to the tab.



USDA - National Institute of Food and Agriculture (System-to-System)

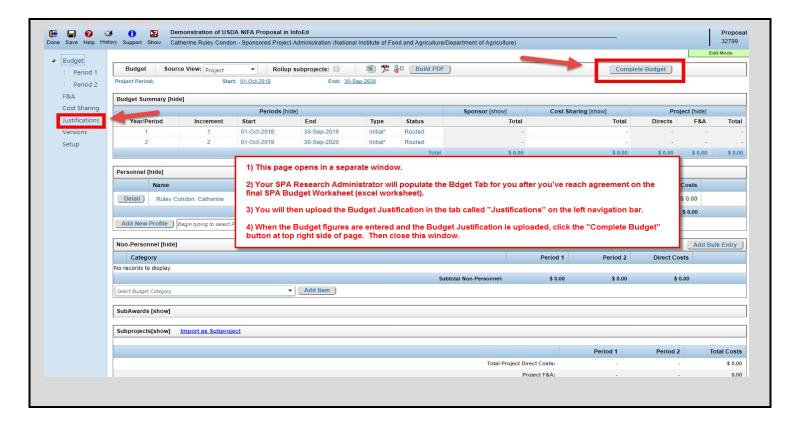
Budget Tab

Your SPA Research Administrator will enter the budget details on this tab.

The Principal Investigator will upload the Budget Justification on this Tab.

When the data is completed, click the "Complete Budget" button at top right corner of Tab.

Then click "Done" to close the window.



Start a New Proposal

USDA - National Institute of Food and Agriculture (System-to-System)

Personnel Tab

After the SPA Research Administrator has entered the budget data on the Budget Tab, the Personnel tab will show a list of personnel.

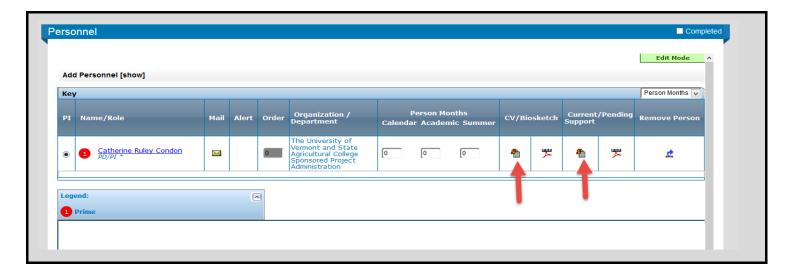
Please do not add personnel to this tab yourself.

Instead, ask your SPA Research Administrator to add people, as necessary.

Once the personnel appear on this tab, please upload the CV/Biosketch for all Key Personnel.

Add the Current/Pending Support form for all required personnel. Refer to guidelines for specific requirements.

When the data is completed, click the "Completed" checkbox at top right corner of Tab.



USDA - National Institute of Food and Agriculture (System-to-System)

S2S Forms Tab

This tab contains each of the sponsor-specific forms you will need for your proposal submission.

Click the "Edit" button to open and complete each of the forms.

When you are done, click the Save button at top left corner of Tab.

Then click the "Completed" button.

Finally, click the "Done" button to close thie window.

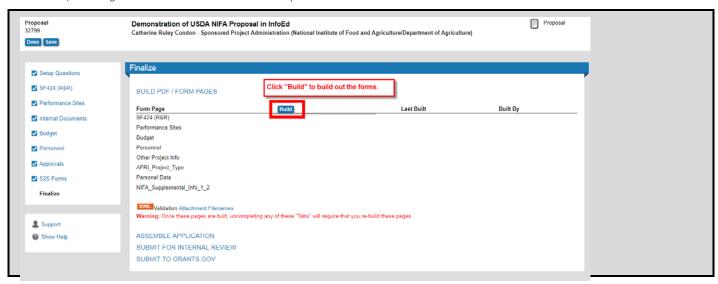
Form	Version	Completed
AFRI_Project_Type	AFRI_Project_Type-V1.0	Edit
Other Project Info	RR_OtherProjectInfo_1_3-V1.3	Edit
Personal Data	RR_PersonalData_1_2-V1.2	Edit
NIFA_Supplemental_Info_1_2	NIFA_Supplemental_Info_1_2-V1.2	Edit

USDA - National Institute of Food and Agriculture (System-to-System)

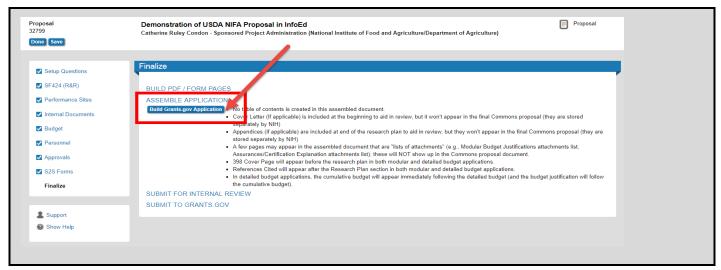
Finalize Tab - Submit for Internal Review

All Tabs must be "Completed" to Build PDF /Form Pages and to Assemble Application

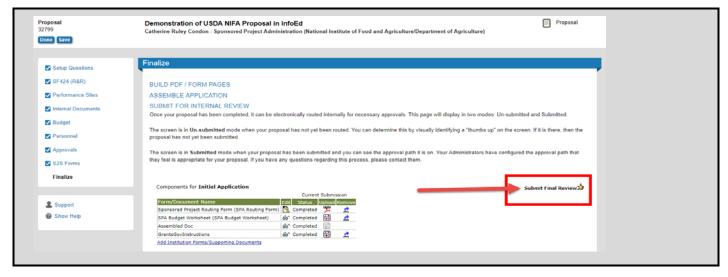
1. Build PDF / Form Pages - this will take a few moments to complete



2. Assemble Application / Build Grants.gov Application - This will create a single pdf representation of the proposal called "Assembled Doc"



3. Click the "Submit Final Review" Thumbs Up to start the route

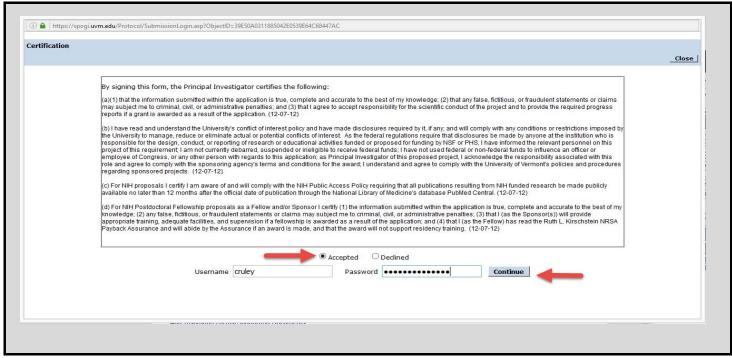


USDA - National Institute of Food and Agriculture (System-to-System)

Principal Investigator Certification

PI reads PI Certification - clicks "Accepted" - enters UVM Net ID at prompt - clicks Continue button If a PI Delegate starts the route, the PI is obligated to send the PI Certification to SPA via email.

The PI Certification must be received in SPA before the proposal may be submitted to the sponsor.



USDA - National Institute of Food and Agriculture (System-to-System)

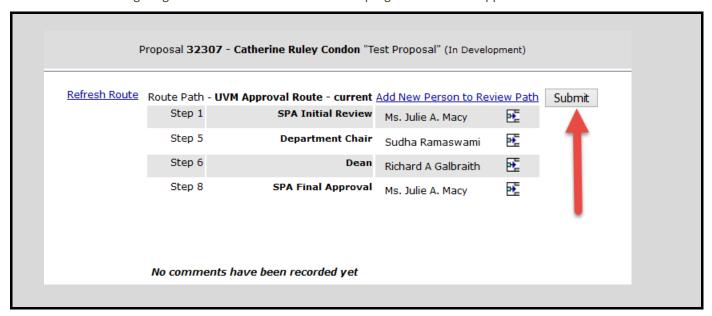
Submit to Internal Route

After a few moments, a list of the required approvers will appear.

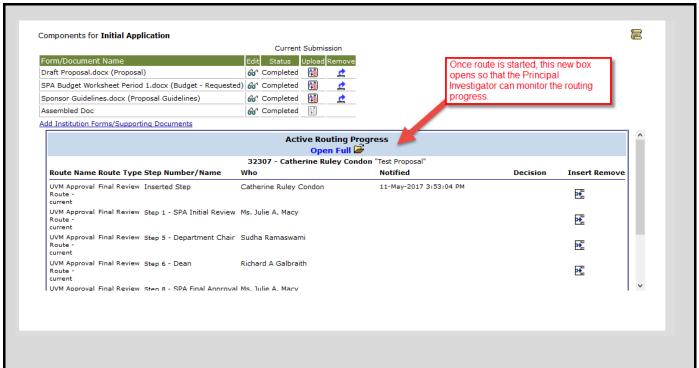
PI clicks Submit button to start internal route.

Once the route is successfully started, the PI will see a new window open on Finalize Tab that

shows "Active Routing Progress. The PI can check here to see progress of internal approvals.



Submit to Route - Click Submit button to start route



Start a New Proposal

USDA - National Institute of Food and Agriculture (System-to-System)

Lock Down - When Proposal is In Route, it is in "Lock Down" mode

While the proposal in in route for approvals, it is in lock down mode and the Principal Investigator will no longer be able to edit the proposal in InfoEd.

We expect that the Principal Investigator will continue to tweak the proposal documents outside of the InfoEd system.

Electronic Routing System - Review Dashboard - This is how Deans and Chairs Approve Proposal

Chairs and Deans receive notification to review and approve your proposal in three different ways

- 1) UVM Email system
- 2) InfoEd My Messages (a back up method if the email is accidentally deleted)
- 3) InfoEd Action Items (another back up method if the email is accidentally deleted)

Start a New Proposal

USDA - National Institute of Food and Agriculture (System-to-System)

Routing System Email to Deans, Chairs, SPA and Other Approvers

From: System Administration, UVM InfoEd [mailto:catherine.ruley@uvm.edu]

Sent: Friday, August 12, 2016 2:57 PM

To: Cathy Ruley Condon < Catherine. Ruley@uvm.edu>

Subject: PROP APPRVL needed for Catherine Ruley Condon -31583

Principal Investigator Catherine Ruley Condon

Proposal 31583

Project Title "Demonstration Proposal"

American Lung Association

Sponsor Deadline 30-Aug-2016

Dear Reviewer/Approver:

Catherine Ruley Condon needs your approval to submit the proposal referenced above.

This email is coming to you via the UVM InfoEd Electronic Proposal Routing System.

You will receive this email in your InfoEd My Messages inbox as well.

- 1) Click Reviewer Dashboard link to access Review Dashboard
- 2) Login with your UVM Net ID (your COM IS login will not work for InfoEd)
- 3) The Review Dashboard will appear in separate window
- 4) Click HELP Tab for instructions (if needed optional/informational)
- 5) Click REVIEW Tab to review and approve proposal documents. After you have reviewed all documents, click the DONE box next to each item. Then click the SAVE icon located at top right corner. You will not be able to approve the proposal unless you save the DONE changes.
- 6) Add Comments: Add comments if you wish. Click the SAVE icon at top right corner when you are finished adding comments.
- 7) See Comments: View other reviewer comments at top right corner of screen. Click the SAVE icon at top right corner.
- 8) My Decision is: Select "Approve Proposal Submission" or "Return to PI for Changes." For approvals, you will must click the Accept button for the Approver Certification. Then click SAVE icon at top right corner. You will be prompted for your Username and Password (UVM Net ID). Then click ACCEPT to finish.
- 9) Click ROUTE Tab to see route path and to confirm your decision has been recorded. You are now done and you may "X" out of the Review Dashboard.

Sponsored Project Administration 217 Waterman Building 802-656-3360

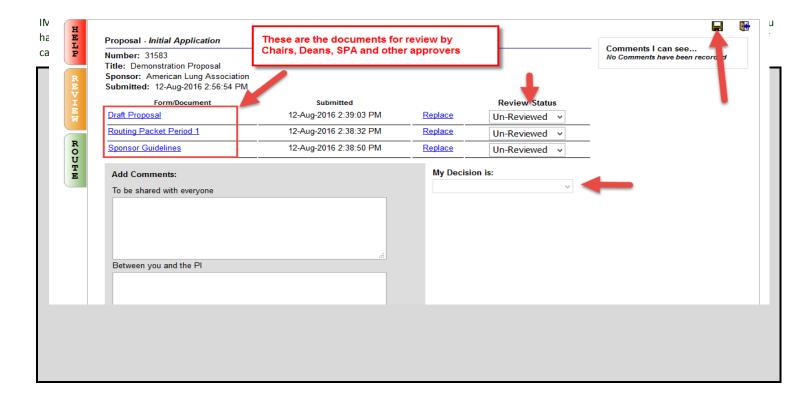
[text updated 12-13-12]

USDA - National Institute of Food and Agriculture (System-to-System)

Review Dashboard

Review Tab

- 1. Comments are optional.
- ${\bf 2.} \ \ {\bf If you wish to add comments, please type our comments in one of the four boxes.}$
- 3. Then click "Save" icon at top right corner page



USDA - National Institute of Food and Agriculture (System-to-System)

Final Steps - After the Route is Completed

While the proposal in in route for approvals, it is in lock down mode

The Principal Investigator will not be able to edit the proposal

We expect that the Principal Investigator will continue to tweak the proposal documents

Once the route is approved, the SPA RA will update the proposal status and the Principal Investigator will be able to replace any draft documents with the final documents

The SPA RA will NOT submit the proposal to USDA NIFA until the Principal Investigator confirms that all uploaded documents and data is in final form.

SPA Research Administrator Final Review & Submission to Grants.gov

Once the PI notifies the SPA RA that the proposal is done and final, the SPA RA performs a detailed review of the final version of the proposal

The SPA RA notifies the PI of any final edits or corrections that need to be made

The SPA RA ensures that all COI disclosures are up to date

Then the SPA RA clicks the "Submit to Grants.Gov" button

Note: Only SPA RA role has authorization to click this button. If anyone outside of SPA tries to submit to Grants.gov, an error message will appear.

Grants.gov Validation Emails

Grants.gov receives the proposal, assigns it a Grants.gov Tracking number, and sends a series of four emails to SPA

- 1. GRANT12021024 Your application has been received by Grants.gov, and is currently being validated.
- 2. GRANT12021024 Your application has been received and validated by Grants.gov and is being prepared for Grantor agency retrieval.
- 3. GRANT12021024 Your application has been retrieved by the Grantor agency.
- 4. GRANT12021024 Grantor agency has assigned the following Agency Tracking Number to your application: 3872345.

These emails are NOT sent to the PI - Just to SPA

These emails will let us know if there is a failure at Grants.gov

The final email will indicate that the proposal was retrieved by the USDA NIFA

The SPA Research Administrator will forward you the final email so that you have confirmation the proposal was retrieved by USDA.