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Get Started

To access and complete applications, you must download and install the free Application Viewer, PureEdge Viewer.

Minimum System Requirements:

PC:	Mac:
 Windows 98, ME, NT 4.0, 2000, XP 	 Windows Operating System or Windows Emulation
500 Mhz Processor	Program (http://apple.doit.wisc.edu/grants.gov/)
128 MB disk space	500 Mhz Processor
 Internet Explorer 5.01 or higher is 	128 MB disk space
preferred	 Internet Explorer 5.01 or higher is preferred
Netscape Communicator 4.5-4.8,	• Netscape Communicator 4.5-4.8, Netscape 6.1, 6.2, 7
Netscape 6.1, 6.2, 7	Enable Cookies
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Download and Install Application Viewer

To download the Application Viewer,

NOTE: To download the Application viewer, you must have administrator rights. Check with you IT administrator if you encounter problems.

- 1. Click on the **Apply for Grants** option located on the toolbar on the Grants.gov homepage.
- 2. Click on the **Download PureEdge Viewer** link located under the **Step One: Download a Grant Application Package and Instructions** section.

FOR APPLICANTS	Home » For Applicants »
About Federal Grants	APPLY FOR GRANTS
Get Registered Find Grant Opportunities Apply for Grants Track My Application	Applying at Grants.gov can reduce your costs and the time required to find opportunities and process your application. The site provides access to multiple grantors and reduces paperwork, postal costs and storage costs, in addition to its efficiency as a one-stop storehouse of grants information.
Applicant Help	By downloading a grant application package, you can view it offline, giving you the
ABOUT GRANTS.GOV	flexibility to complete the application when and where you want. You can also route it
FOR AGENCIES	through your organization for easy review and then submit it with a simple click.
RESOURCES	Before you apply, remember you must be <u>registered</u> , and you must have the Funding
HELP	Opportunity Number (FON) and/or CFDA number of the desired grant. Once those
CONTACT US	the 4-step process to apply for a grant:
SITE MAP	Step 1: Download a Grant Application Package and Instructions You should have the FON and/or CFDA number. If so, you can find the application package at the following page. If not, return to Find Grant Opportunities <u>Find Grant</u> <u>Opportunities</u> to search for this information. In order to view the application package, you will need to instal the <u>PureEdge Viewer</u> . [link to a small, free program that provides access to the grant application. To operate the PureEdge Viewer, your computer must meet certain <u>system requirements</u> . If you are a non-Windows users, please refer to this <u>support page</u> .



3. This will open the File Download window. Click on the Save button.



4. Browse to where you would like the program to save on your computer. Then click the **Save** button. This will download the program.



- 5. The Download complete window will show its progress.
- 6. When the download has completed, click the **Open** button on the **Download complete** window.





7. Click on the Yes button, when the computer asks Do you wish to continue?



8. Click on the **Next** button to continue.

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	Welcome to the InstallShield Wizard for ICS Viewer 6.0
	Welcome to the ICS Viewer Setup program. This program will install the ICS Viewer 6.0.
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9. Read the License Agreement and click the **Yes** button to accept the agreement and continue with the installation.

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Please read the following license agr	eement carefully.	
Press the PAGE DOWN key to see t	he rest of the agreement.	
END-USER LICENSE AGREEMEN	т	^
This PureEdge Solutions Inc. ("Pure agreement ("EULA") accompanies ti (the "Software") and related explans "Documentation") provided or made EULA is a legal agreement between out your right to use the Software an "Product").	Edge") end-user license he PuseE dge soltware program tory materials (the accessible to you. This you and PuseE dge that sets d Documentation (each a	
Do you accept all the terms of the proclose. To install the ICS Viewer, you	eceding License Agreement? If you ch must accept this agreement.	oose No, Setup will
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10. Enter a user name in the **User Name** field. Enter University of South Carolina in the **Company Name** field. Click the **Next** button.

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11. It is recommended that you save the program at the default location displayed in the **Destination Folder** box. Click the **Next** button to continue.



12. It is recommended that you name the program folder the default name listed in the **Program Folder** field. Click the **Next** button to continue.

S Viewer 6.0 Setup	
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Existing Folders:	
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Centura Compliance	
Creative	
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rallShield	
	< Back Next > Cancel



13. The installation progress will be displayed in the **Install** window.



14. When the installation has completed, click the **Finish** button.



15. This will launch the program and open the ICS Viewer Help Information window.



16. PureEdge will open automatically when an application is opened.



Find Grant Opportunities

Grants.gov provides the ability to search for Federal government-wide grant opportunities and to sign up to receive grant opportunity email notifications.

Search Grant Opportunities

There are four ways to search for Grant Opportunities on Grants.gov.

- Basic Search: Allows you to search by Keyword, Funding Opportunity or CFDA Number.
- Browse by Category: Allows you to search by a grant category that interests you.
- **Browse by Agency**: List grant opportunities by Federal Agency.
- Advanced Search: Allows you to search by date, funding activity, category, funding instrument type, agency, funding opportunity number, CFDA number and/or keyword(s).

To search for grant opportunities,

- 1. Click the **FIND grant opportunities** option of the toolbar located on the left side of the Grants.gov homepage.
- 2. Click the Search Grant Opportunities link located on the Find Grant Opportunities Page

About Federal Grants	FIND GRANT OPPORTUNITIES
Get Registered	
Find Grant Opportunities	With Grants.gov, you can search for grant opportunities throughout the Federal
Search Opportunities	government. To begin your search, click of the link provided here.
Email Subscription	Search Grant Opportunities
Apply for Grants	
Track My Application	You can also register to receive all email notifications of new grant postings by clicking
Applicant Help	
ABOUT GRANTS.GOV	Receive Grant Opportunity Email Alerts

3. Click on one of the search options listed on the **Search Grant Opportunities** page.



4. Complete the necessary fields to search for grant opportunities that you are interested in. Click on the **Search** button at the bottom of the screen. (Example from basic search page)

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5. Your search results will display on a **Search Results** screen at FedGrants.gov.

About Federal Grants Get Registered	Search Results New Search			
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Basic Search	<u>Liose</u> Date	Opportunity Title	Agency	Funding
Browse by Category	Date			Number
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Advanced Search		Award	USAMRAA	BCKP-HPT
Email Subscription		Studies of the Economics of Cancer Prevention, Screening, and Care	National Institutos of	DA 06 204
Apply for Grants		<u>(R21)</u>	Health	FA-00-304
Track My Application Applicant Help	08/25/2006	Development of Advanced Genomic Characterization Technologies (SBIR [R43/R441])	National Institutes of Health	RFA-CA-07- 029

- 6. Check the guidelines on required method of submission.
- 7. If submission via grants.gov is required, record the Funding Opportunity Number or CFDA Number.
- 8. Download the application package. (see Apply for Grants section)

Search Tips It is not required to enter information in all fields before clicking the Start Search button. To select multiple items • Hold down the **CONTROL** or **SHIFT** keys. • Mac users hold the **APPLE** or **SHIFT** keys. Expand your search with wildcards - Asterisk (*) is used to replace one or more characters at the end of the term. - Question mark (?) is used to replace any single character with the exception of the first character of a word. Narrow your search with Boolean operators (OR, AND, and NOT) or special modifiers to include and exclude words when searching. OR (space is also considered as OR). If you type "Housing Farming" or "Housing OR Farming", the results would contain a match if Housing or Farming appears in the grant opportunity listing. AND (+ is also considered as AND). If you type "Housing+Farming" or "Housing AND Farming", the results would contain a match if Housing and Farming appears in the grant opportunity listing. NOT (- is also considered as NOT). If you type "Housing-Farming" or "Housing NOT Farming", the results would contain a match if Housing appears in the document and Farming does not appear in the grant opportunity listing. To clear the **Search** form, click the **Clear Form** button.



Receive Grant Opportunity Email Alerts

Grant Opportunity Emails are based on the following options:

- Selected Notices based on Funding Opportunity Number
- Selected Notices based on Advanced Criteria
 - Category of Funding Activity, Funding Instrument Type, Eligible Applicants, CFDA Number, and Agency
- All Grant Notices

To sign up to receive grant opportunity email notifications,

- 1. Click the **Find grant opportunities** option of the toolbar located on the left side of the Grants.gov homepage.
- 2. Click on the Receive Grant Opportunity Email Alerts on the Find grant opportunities page.

About Federal Grants	FIND GRANT OPPORTUNITIES
Get Registered	
▶ Find Grant Opportunities	With Grants.gov, you can search for grant opportunities throughout the Federal
Search Opportunities	government. To begin your search, click on the link provided here.
Email Subscription	Search Grant Opportunities
Apply for Grants	
Track My Application	You can also register to receive all email notifications of new grant postings by clicking
Applicant Help	
ABOUT GRANTS.GOV	Receive Grant Opportunity Email Alerts

3. Click on one of the options listed on the Email Subscription page.



- 4. Enter your e-mail address in the box. Click the **Subscribe to Mailing List** button at the bottom of the screen.
 - a. If you selected the **Selected Notices based on Advance Criteria** link, you must select all the search criteria.
 - b. You may select all that apply. On some browsers, it may be necessary to hold down the CONTROL, APPLE, or SHIFT key to select multiple items
- 5. You will receive announcements of both new opportunities and modifications of existing opportunities.



Apply for Grants

To access and complete applications, you must download and install the free Application Viewer, PureEdge Viewer. To download the PureEdge Viewer, refer to the **GET Started** section above.

Download Application Package and Application Instructions

To download an application package,

- 1. Click the **Apply for Grants** located on the upper right hand corner of the Grants.gov homepage.
- 2. Click on the Apply Step 1: Download a Grant Application Package and Application Instructions link located on the Apply for grants page.

FOR APPLICANTS	Home » For Applicants »		
About Federal Grants	APPLY FOR GRANTS		
Get Registered			
Find Grant Opportunities	Applying at Grants.gov can reduce your costs and the time required to find		
Apply for Grants	orantors and reduces paperwork, postal costs and storage costs, in addition to its		
Track My Application	efficiency as a one-stop storehouse of grants information.		
Applicant Help			
ABOUT GRANTS.GOV	By downloading a grant application package, you can view it offline, giving you the flexibility to complete the application when and where you want. You can also route it		
FOR AGENCIES	through your organization for easy review and then submit it with a simple click.		
RESOURCES	Before you apply, remember you must be <u>registered</u> , and you must have the Funding		
HELP	Opportunity Number (FON) and/or CFDA number of the desired grant. Once those		
CONTACT US	the 4-step process to apply for a grant:		
SITE MAP	Step 1: <u>Download a Grant Application Package and Instructions</u> You should have the FON and/or CFDA number. If so, you can find the application <u>package</u> at the following <u>page</u> . If not, return to Find Grant Opportunities <u>Find Grant</u> <u>Opportunities</u> to search for this information.		
	In order to view the application package, you will need to install the <u>PureEdge Viewer</u> , [link to a small, free program that provides access to the grant application. To operate the PureEdge Viewer, your computer must meet certain <u>system requirements</u> . If you are a non-Windows users, please refer to this <u>support page</u> .		

- 3. Enter the CFDA number in the **CFDA Number** field or the Funding Opportunity Number in the **Funding Opportunity Number** field. One of these fields to download an application.
- 4. Click on the **Download Package** button.

About Federal Grants Get Registered	DOWNLOAD APPLICATION PACKAGE
Find Grant Opportunities Apply for Grants	Note: You will need to download and install <u>PureEdge Viewer</u> , prior to downloading an Application Package.
Track My Application	To download an application package, enter the appropriate CFDA Number OR Funding Opportunity Number and
Applicant Help	dick the "Download Package" button.
ABOUT GRANTS.GOV	
FOR AGENCIES	
RESOURCES	Funding Opportunity Number:
HELP	Funding Opportunity Competition ID:
CONTACT US	Download Package



5. Click the download link that corresponds to the grant opportunity you are applying.

SELECTED GRANT APPLICATIONS FOR DOWNLOAD

Download the application and its instructions by selecting the corresponding download link. Save these files to your computer for future reference and use. You do not need Internet access to read the instructions or to complete the application once you save them to your computer.

Before you can view and complete an application package, you must have the PureEdge viewer installed. <u>Click Here</u> to download the PureEdge Viewer if you do not have it installed already.

Below is a list of the application(s) currently available for the CFDA and/or Funding Opportunity Number that you entered.

To download the application instructions or package, click the corresponding download link. You will then be able to save the files on your computer for future reference and use.

CFDA	Opportunity Number	Competition ID	Competition Title	Agency	Instructions & Application
11.420	NOS-OCRM-2007- 2000788	2050001	National Estuarine Research Reserve Graduate Research Fellowship Program FY07	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration	download
11.420	NOS-OCRM-2007- 2000789	2050004	National Estuarine Research Reserve Land Acquisition and Construction Program FY07	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration	download

- 6. Confirm you are downloading the correct instructions and application package.
- 7. Enter your email address in the field located on the **Download Opportunity Instructions and Application** page be notified of any changes to this opportunity. You will be e-mailed in the event this opportunity is changed and republished on Grants.gov before its closing date
 - It is strongly recommended that you enter your email address, because if the application
 package is deleted or modified and you are using the original package a rejection notice
 may be received when you submit.

DOWNLOAD OPPORTUNITY INSTRUCTIONS AND APPLICATION

You have chosen to download the instructions and application for the following opportunity:

CFDA Number: 11.420: Coastal Zone Management Estuarine Research Reserves Opportunity Number: NOS-OCRM-2007-2000788: National Estuarine Research Reserve Graduate Research Fellowship Program FY07 Competition ID: 2050001 Competition Title: National Estuarine Research Reserve Graduate Research Fellowship Program FY07 Agency: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Opening Date: 06/12/2006 Closing Date: 11/01/2006

If you would like to be notified of any changes to this opportunity please enter your e-mail address below, and you will be e-mailed in the event this opportunity is changed and republished on Grants.gov before its closing date.

Submit

Download the instructions and application by selecting the download links below. While the instructions or application files may open directly, you may save the files to your computer for future reference and use. You do not need Internet access to read the instructions or the application once you save them to your computer.

1. Download Application Instructions

2. Download Application Package



8. Click on the **Download Application Instructions** link on the **Download Opportunity Instructions and Application** page.

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1. Download Application Instructions

2. Download Application Package

- 9. Save the Application Instructions to your computer for future reference.
- 10. Use the back button to return to the **Download Opportunity Instructions and Application Package** page.
- 11. Click on the **Download Application package** link on the **Download Opportunity Instructions** and **Application** page.

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1. Download Application Instructions

2. Download Application Package



12. Click the **Save** button to save the application to your computer.

Submit Save Print	Cancel Check Package for E	Errors		
GRANTS.GO	V×			Grant Application Package
Opportunity Title: Offering Agency: CFDA Number: CFDA Description: Opportunity Number: Competition ID: Opportunity Open Date: Opportunity Close Date: Agency Contact:	FY06 National Estuarine Research National Oceanic and Atmospher 11.420 Coastal Zone Management Estua NOS-OCRM-2006-2000575 03/06/2006 04/11/2006 Steve Drescher Policy Advisor E-mail: steve.j.drescher@noaa.gv	h Reserve Operati ic Administration rine Research Res	ons serves	This electronic grants application is intended to be used to apply for the specific Federal funding opportunity referenced here. If the Federal funding opportunity listed is not the opportunity for which you want to apply, close this application package by clicking on the "Cancel" button at the top of this screen. You will then need to locate the correct Federal funding opportunity, download its application and then apply.
 I will be submitting ap organization. * Application Filing Name 	pplications on my behalf, and not o	n behalf of a com	pany, state, local (or tribal government, academia, or other type of
Application for Federal Ass Project Narrative Attachment	istance (SF-424) nt Form	Move Form to Submission List		neted Documents for Submission

13. A warning message appears informing you that one or more of the items in this form contains an invalid value and asks if you want to proceed anyway. Click **Yes**.

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?	One or more of the items in this form contains an invalid value. Do you want to proceed anyway? Yes No

- 14. Browse to where you want to save the application on your computer.
- 15. Enter a name for the application package in the **File Name** field.
- 16. Click the **Save** button.

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File name: Save
Save as type: InternetForms Document Cancel

17. The application is saved to your computer as an xfd file.



Complete the Application Package

Applications are completed completely off-line.

- 1. Locate and open the application package you saved on your computer.
- 2. Verify that the pre-entered information is for the correct grant opportunity.
 - If the incorrect application is listed, close this package by clicking the **Cancel** button at the top of the screen. Then return to Grants.gov to dowload the correct grant opportunity package.
- 3. SAM will enter the USCERA proposal number in the **Application Filing Name** field located on the **Cover Page** of the application package.

Opportunity Title: FY06 Nat Offering Agency: National CEDA Number: 11.420	ional Estuarine Research Reserve Operations Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration	This electronic grants application is intended to be used to apply for the specific Federal funding
CFDA Description: Coastal 2 Opportunity Number: NOS-OCI Competition ID: 03/06/200 Opportunity Open Date: 04/11/200 Agency Contact: Steve D Policy A	one Management Estuarine Research Reserves M-2006-2000575 6 6 6 escher Visor	opportunity referenced here. If the Federal funding opportunity listed is not the opportunity for which you want to apply, close this application package by clicking on the "Cancel" button at the top of this screen. You will then need to locate the correct Federal funding opportunity, download its application and then apply.

- 4. To open a form in the **Mandatory Documents** box and **Optional Documents** box, click on the form name to select it. Click the **Open Form** button which appears below the appropriate box.
 - Complete the SF 424 or SF 424 R&R first, because it will automatically complete additional fields on other forms.

Save Print Cancel Check Package for Opportunity Number: NOS-OCRM 2006 2000575 Opportunity <	Errors opportunity for which you want to apply, close this application package by clicking on the "Cancel" button at the top of this screen. You will then need to locate the correct Federal funding opportunity, download its application and then apply.
I will be submitting applications on my behalf, and not organization. Application Filing Name: Mandatory Documents Application for Federal Assistance (SF-424) Project Namative Attachment Form Budget Namative Attachment Form CD511 Form Assurances for Non-Construction Programs (SF-424B) Budget Information for Ngu-Censtructions_Programs (SF-424A)	on behalf of a company, state, local or tribal government, academia, or other type of Mandatory Completed Documents for Submission Nove Form to Documents List
Optional Documents Disclosure of Lobbying Activities (SF-LLL) Attachments	Move Form to Submission List Documents for Submission
Open Form	Open Form



- 5. All required fields are noted by an asterisk (*) and/or highlighted in yellow. Optional fields and complete fields are displayed in white.
 - Invalid or incomplete information in fields will generate an error message upon leaving the field.

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O Changed/Corrected Application	Revision				
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Completed by Grants.gov upon submission.					
5a. Federal Entity Identifier:		* 5b. Federal Award Identifier:			
State Use Only:					
6. Date Received by State: 7.7	7. State Applica	ation Identifier:			
8. APPLICANT INFORMATION:					
* a. Legal Name:					
* b. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN/TIN): * c. Organizational DUNS:					

6. To exit the form, click the **Close Form** button at the top of the screen.

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Application	Continuation	* Other (Specify)			
Changed/Corrected Application	○ Revision				
* 3. Date Received:	4. Applicant Identifier:				
Completed by Grants.gov upon submission.					
5a. Federal Entity Identifier:		* 5b. Federal Award Identifier:			
State Use Only:					
6. Date Received by State: / /	7. State Application	n Identifier:			
8. APPLICANT INFORMATION:					
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* b. Employer/Taxpayer Identification N	Number (EIN/TIN):	* c. Organizational DUNS:			
d. Address:					
* Street1:					

7. Some packages may require attachments (see Attach Documents in the Application Package section).



Attach Documents in the Application Package

Some packages may require that you submit specific documents, such as, a program background statement, research plan or appendix.

Depending on the instructions you may be able to attach a pdf, text document, word document or other type of document. Check instructions for any file name requirements.

1. Click the **Add Attachment** button located next to the section you wish to attach.

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12. Consortium/Contractual Arrangements		Add Attachment	Delete Attachment	View Attachm View Attachm	nent
14. Resource Sharing Plan(s)		Add Attachment	Delete Attachment	View Attachm	nent
15. Appendix A	dd Attachments Remove Attachr	nents View Attach	ments		

2. Click the **Attach** button.

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Folders:	Attachments:
Appendix 🔥	<u> </u>
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3. Browse to where the document you wish to attach is located on your computer. Select the correct file and click the **Open** button.

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Search Places	🛅 Grants.gov 🔠
S GroupWise	🚞 NIH and grantsgov 🛛 🕺
🗯 SnagIt 6	🛅 SAM Forms 🛛 📲
🛅 Dani	🛅 Unused Desktop Shortcuts 🛛 🗧
	>
File name:	Open
Files of type: All Files (*.*)	▼ Cancel



- 4. The attached file will appear under the **Attachments** section of the **Form Attachments** box.
- 5. Repeat steps 11 and 12 until you have attached all necessary documents.



6. Click the **Done** button when you have finished attaching necessary documents.

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Appendix	Appendix A.doc Appendix B.doc	<u>^</u>
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Delete Attachments in the Application Package

1. To delete a document that has been attached. Click the **Delete Attachment** or **Remove Attachments** button next to the appropriate field.

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Other Research Plan Sections				
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12. Consortium/Contractual Arrangements		Add Attachment	Delete Attachment	View Attachment
13. Letters of Support		Add Attachment	Delete Attachment	View Attachment
14. Resource Sharing Plan(s)		Add Attachment	Delete Attachment	View Attachment
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2. Select the document to be deleted. Click the **Remove** button on the **Form Attachments** window.



3. Click the **Done** Button when you are finished deleting documents.

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Appendix	Appendix A.doc Appendix B.doc

View Attachments in the Application Package

1. To view an attached document. Click the View Attachments button next to the appropriate field.

Close Form		Print Page	About
Other Research Plan Sections			
11. Vertebrate Animals	Add Attachment Delete Atta	chment View Attac	hment
12. Consortium/Contractual Arrangements	Add Attachment Delete Atta	chment View Attac	hment
13. Letters of Support	Add Attachment Delete Atta	chment View Attac	hment
14. Resource Sharing Plan(s)	Add Attachment Delete Atta	chment View Attac	hment
15 Annuality			
Ib. Appendix Add Attachments Remove Attac	iments view Attachments		



2. If multiple documents are attached, select the correct document and click the **Display** button located on the **Form Attachments** window.



3. To return to the form, click the **Done** button located on the **Form Attachments** window or close the open document.

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Print the Application Package

To print the entire application package, click the **Print** button at the top of the screen on the **Cover Page** of the application package.

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To print a single form, click the **Print Page** button on the top of the appropriate form.

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Route the Package for Internal Approval

1. Move completed forms to the appropriate **Completed Documents for Submission** box.

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Optional Documents Disclosure of Lobbying Activities (SF-LLL)	Move Form to Submission List Move Form to Documents List
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2. Click the **Save** button to save changes made to the application.

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3. Click the **Check Package for Errors** button to make everything is complete.

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- 4. Correct any found errors.
- 5. Save the application package again.
- 6. Log into USCERA (https://sam.research.sc.edu/uscera).
- 7. Click on the Create New Proposal option located on the tool bar.



8. Complete the **Proposal/Award Processing Form**.

Proposal / Award Processing Form						
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Principal Investigator	Dr. James R. Hebert					
Phone (808) 734-4490	Fax (803) 734-5259	Email smithvl2@gwm.sc.	edu			
Institution Co-PI:	Home Department:					
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9. Complete all supplemental forms list under **Step One** on the **Proposal Summary** page.

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	Proposal/Award Processing Form (PAP)	Completed		BudgetBudget Justification	
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Start Approval Process					

10. Click on the **Upload/Manage Documents** button under **Step Two** on the **Proposal Summary** page.

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11. Click on the **Browse** button in the pop up window.

New Upload:	Browse
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Close Window	



12. Browse to where the Grants.gov application package is located on your computer. Select the correct file and click the **Open** button.

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13. Click the **Upload Selected File** button in the pop up window.



14. Click the **Close Window** button in the pop up window.

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15. Click the Start the Approval Process button located on the Proposal Summary page.

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Start Approval Process							

- 16. The proposal is internally routed for all internal approvals.
- 17. Once all internal approvals are received, the SAM office will submit the application package to grants.gov.
- 18. Your SAM administrator receives a series of e-mails confirming receipt of your proposal by grants.gov and the sponsoring agency.



Applicant Help

The following customer support tools are available to assist you when using Grants.gov

Context-Sensitive Help

Context-Sensitive Help provides context-sensitive information for each screen organized in a menu listing topics. Each topic provides detailed information about specific Grants.gov web pages.

- To access the Context-Sensitive Help click Help at the top of any screen.
- Click the **Menu** button on the bottom of the **Help** screen to return the complete topic list.
- Click the **Search** button on the bottom of the screen to search the **Context-Sensitive Help** for information. Enter a word or Phrase in the **Search** field and click the **Search** button.
- Click the Exit button to close the Context-Sensitive Help.

Frequent Questions

Frequent Questions is a list of commonly asked questions answers.

- To access the Frequent Questions, click the **Frequent Questions** link on the left of the **Customer Support** screen.
- The questions are categorized to match the Grants.gov site. To view the questions for a specific category, click the category name on the left of the screen.
- To read the answer to a question, click on the question.
- To quickly return to the top of the question list, click the **Return to Questions** link.

Tutorial

The Tutorial is a computer-based training lesson, designed to teach everything you need to know about using Grants.gov.

- **Tutorials** can be accessed any where within Grants.gov by clicking on the **Tutorial** link at the top of the screen.
- The **Tutorial** is organized by modules. Each module is subdivided into detailed topics.
- Click the **Menu** button on the bottom right of the screen to view a list of modules.
- To access a module, click on the module name or select the module name for the **Module** drop down box on the right of the screen.
- To access a specific topic, click the topic name or select the topic name from the **Topic** drop down box on the right of the screen.
- Click the **Index** button on the bottom of the screen to view a full list of modules and topics.
- Click the **Glossary** button on the bottom of the screen to view a glossary of terms for Grants.gov.
- Click the **Search** button on the bottom of the screen to search the **Tutorial** for information. Enter a word or Phrase in the **Search** field and click the **Search** button.
- Click the **Exit** button to close the tutorial.



User Guide

The User Guide is a well indexed, comprehensive guide to reference information about Grants.gov. It can be accessed online or printed out.

- To view the User Guide, click the User Guide link on the left of Customer Support screen.
- The User Guide can be downloaded as a Microsoft Word document or as a PDF document.

Quick Reference

The Quick Reference is a job aid that will provide the information used most often.

- To access the **Quick Reference**, click the **Quick Reference** link in the middle of the **Customer Support** screen.
- Click on a topic to learn more about that topic.
- To return to the top of the page click the **Return to Top of the Page** link.
- To exit the **Quick Reference**, click on the **X** at the upper right corner of the **Quick Reference** screen.

Contact Grants.gov

Email support@grants.gov

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