

Resident Instruction Grant Program for Higher Education in the Insular Areas (RIIA)

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Distance Education Grants Program for Higher Education in the Insular Areas (DEG)

This document highlights stakeholder feedback received from Grantsmanship and Project Directors' (PDs) meeting for the Insular Area Technical Workshop held in Tumon, Guam on July 12-14, 2018. The format and audiences for the meeting included.

Format:

- Project Directors/Principal/Investigators/Program Leaders meeting;
- Grants Fiscal Administrative meeting including EEO presentation and one-on-one meetings
- Grantsmanship workshop with added impact assessment

Audiences:

- Competitive and Capacity Project Directors/Principal Investigators/Program Leaders
- Extension Program Leaders
- Insular Area Deans and Experiment Station and Extension Directors
- Insular Area University Presidents/VPs/Trustees
- Insular area Admin/Fiscal staff

UPDATE: Guam stakeholder feedback was collected during the grantsmanship and project directors' (PDs) meeting. Feedback was taken on an individual basis. Dr. Parker had meetings scheduled with PDs throughout the three days. A majority of the comments focused on how the insular community needs a conference grant option so they can meet, plan and collaborate together with institutions located throughout the insular community including Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands. Other comments discussed the difficulties in managing the grants and drawing down funds in a timely manner due to institutional issues.

Implementation of feedback:

We incorporated the stakeholder feedback and incorporated a planning grant option into both Insular Areas RFAs (RIIA and DEG) for FY2019. To address other comments regarding institutional issues in managing grants we have started doing quarterly webinars, during the day for schools located in the Atlantic and at night to reach schools located in the Pacific Time zones. These quarterly webinars will assist our stakeholders in various issues. The first webinar was held September 25th and 27th. Dr. Karl Maxwell presented on the importance of submitting impacts in REEport and how we use the data. In addition, Ms. Maggie Ewell presented on the upcoming 2020 capacity (formula funds) budget changes. The next webinar is scheduled for early December and we will have representatives from ASAP present on how to use ASAP and draw down funds.