SPOTLIGHTED OPPORTUNITIES FOR UNO

• NASA: Release of NASA Space Technology Research Fellowships (NSTRF) - Fall 2015

The National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) Headquarters has released a solicitation, titled NASA Space Technology Research Fellowships (NSTRF) - Fall 2015, on September 17, 2014. The solicitation is available by opening the NASA Research Opportunities homepage at http://nspires.nasaprs.com, selecting “Solicitations,” then selecting “Open Solicitations,” and, finally, selecting the solicitation number “NSTRF15.”

NASA’s Space Technology Mission Directorate (STMD) seeks to sponsor U.S. citizen and permanent resident graduate student researchers who show significant potential to contribute to NASA’s goal of creating innovative new space technologies for our Nation’s science, exploration, and economic future.

This call for graduate student fellowship applications solicits applications from individuals pursuing or planning to pursue master’s (e.g., M.S.) or doctoral (e.g., Ph.D.) degrees in relevant space technology disciplines at accredited U.S. universities. NASA Space Technology Fellows will perform innovative space technology research and will improve America’s technological competitiveness by providing the Nation with a pipeline of innovative space technologies.

Selected candidates will perform research at their respective campuses and at NASA Centers and/or at nonprofit U.S. Research and Development (R&D) laboratories. In addition to his or her faculty advisor, each student will be matched with a technically relevant and community-engaged researcher who will serve as the student’s research collaborator. Through this collaboration, students will be able to take advantage of broader and/or deeper space technology research opportunities directly related to their educational and career objectives, acquire a more detailed understanding of the potential end applications of their space technology efforts, directly disseminate their research results within the NASA/nonprofit U.S. R&D lab community, and enhance their understanding of the research process.

Links: http://nspires.nasaprs.com/

ARTS, HUMANITIES AND INTERNATIONAL

• U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID); Dominican Republic USAID-Santo Domingo: Urban Land use and Climate Change Adaptation Planning

Notice seeking applications for projects to support the Dominican Republic's government and people adapt to the impacts of climate change, specifically unreliable and low quality drinking water; and urban and coastal flooding. The project will work in Santo Domingo National District, Santiago, and the two coastal cities of San Pedro de Macorís and Las Terrenas, as well as the watersheds that contain them. RFA clarification questions are due October 2, 2014. Applications are due October 22, 2014. Approximately $6.7 million is available to support one award. A fifteen percent cost share is required.

Links: Grants.gov

• U.S. Department of Interior (DOI); National Park Service (NPS): IMRO-Japanese American Confinement Sites Grant Program

Notice seeking applications to fund projects aimed at identifying, researching, evaluating, interpreting, protecting, restoring, repairing, and acquiring historic confinement sites where Japanese Americans were detained during World War II. Applications are due November 12, 2014. Colleges and universities working to preserve historic Japanese American confinement sites and their history are eligible to apply. Approximately $3 million is available in funding. A 2:1 cost share is required.

Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov

EDUCATION and ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

• U.S. Department of Labor (DOL); Bureau of International Labor Affairs: Child Labor Beneficiary Monitoring Toolkit

Notice seeking applications to develop a toolkit to support the design and implementation of beneficiary monitoring systems by child labor elimination projects around the world. Applications are due October 31, 2014. Approximately $1 million is available to support one or more awards over a three year period. An informational webinar will be held within 30 days of September 18, 2014.

Links: Grants.gov

• U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT); Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA): FY 2015 MCSAP High Priority Notice of Funding Availability

Notice seeking applications to develop commercial motor vehicle (CMV) safety programs that: 1) Carry out high priority activities and projects that improve CMV safety; 2) Increase compliance with CMV safety regulations; 3) Increase public awareness about CMV safety; 4) Provide education on CMV safety and related issues; 5) Demonstrate new safety related technologies; and 6) Reduce the number and rate of crashes involving CMVs. Applications are due November 17, 2014. Approximately $15 million is available to support 50 awards for projects lasting up to two years. Approximately $5 million of this amount is set aside for awards in 10 high priority states listed in the solicitation. Eligibility is limited to state agencies, local government, and organizations representing state agencies that use and train qualified officers in coordination with state motor vehicle safety agencies but opportunities exist for collaboration with colleges and universities.

Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov
HEALTH and MENTAL HEALTH

• U.S. Department of Defense (DoD); U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA): Genomic Medicine Program Advisory Committee

Notice announcing a public meeting to provide advice and make recommendations to the Secretary of Veterans Affairs on using genetic information to optimize medical care for Veterans and to enhance development of tests and treatments for diseases particularly relevant to Veterans. The public meeting will be held on October 10, 2014 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. ET at the U.S. Access Board at 1331 F Street NW., Suite 1000, Washington, D.C.

Links: Federal Register notice

• U.S. Department of Health (HHS); National Institutes of Health (NIH); National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID): Targeted Clinical Research to Address Select Viral Infections

Notice seeking information from organizations describing their research efforts in the evaluation of the natural history as well as the use of alternative and innovative research methods and clinical trial design strategies in the support/advancement of the development of therapeutic strategies for rare and/or emerging viral diseases (non-HIV) of medical importance in targeted patient populations. White papers must be sent to the contact by October 8, 2014.

Links: FBO Notice

• U.S. Department of Health (HHS); National Institutes of Health (NIH); Scientific Management Review Board (SMRB): Office of the Director, National Institutes of Health

Notice announcing a meeting scheduled to discuss challenges and solutions to engaging pre-college students in biomedical science, as well as ways to streamline the NIH grant review, award, and management process while maintaining proper oversight. The meeting will be held October 14, 2014 from 10:15 am to 6:00 pm, ET, at National Institutes of Health, Building 31, 6th Floor, Conference Room 6, 31 Center Drive, Bethesda, MD. To view a webcast of the meeting and see the full agenda, visit http://smrb.od.nih.gov.

Links: Federal Register notice

• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC); Namibia Mechanism for Public Health Assistance, Capacity, and Technical Support (NAM-PHACTS) under the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR)

Notice seeking applications to provide technical assistance to strengthen individual and institutional capacity within key units of the health system in Namibia for the development and execution of high-impact, evidenced-based public health interventions in line with national plans, policies, and priorities. Applications are due October 16, 2014. Approximately $5 million is available to support four to eight awards.

Links: Grants.gov

• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC): Peer-to-Peer Capacity Building in the Public Sector to Support Management, Leadership, and Sustainability of HIV Programs in PEPFAR Countries under the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR)

Notice seeking applications to enhance capacity of host country governments in up to 16 PEPFAR supported countries to independently manage and lead an effective response to their HIV epidemics. Applications are due October 24, 2014. Approximately $4 million is available to support one award.

Links: Grants.gov

• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC): Technical Assistance and Support for the Development and Implementation of Key Aspects of HIV/AIDS Care and Support Services in South Africa under the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR)

Notice seeking applications in the development and implementation of key aspects of HIV/AIDS care and support services nationwide and/or in selected provinces in South Africa. Applications are due November 3, 2014. Approximately $6.5 million is available to support one to three awards.

Links: Grants.gov

• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC): Building Effective Health Information Systems under the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR)

Notice seeking applications to support the design, development, implementation, and use of health information systems (HIS), such as electronic medical records (EMR), human resource information systems (HRIS), district health information systems (DHIS), electronic case-based surveillance systems and other systems used to implement or monitor PEPFAR programs to improve evidence-based planning and decision making. Applications are due October 20, 2014. Approximately $1.8 million is available to support three awards.

Links: Grants.gov
• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); National Institutes of Health (NIH); National Cancer Institute (NCI): National Cancer Institute

Notice announcing a meeting to discuss NCI programs and related science. The agenda is scheduled to include: an NCI update; consideration of how advocates can advance cancer immunotherapy research; distress screening; and working group discussion. The meeting will be held October 21, 2014, from 9:00 am to 3:30 pm, ET, at National Institutes of Health, 31 Center Drive, Building 31, C-Wing, Conference Rooms 6 & 8, Bethesda, MD (Non-NIH employees must use the Building 1 entrance).

Links: Federal Register notice

• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); National Institutes of Health (NIH); National Center for Advancing Translational Sciences (NCATS): Clinical and Translational Science Award (U54)

Notice seeking applications from medical research institutions to participate as hubs in the CTSA program. This program includes three parts which are linked at the time of application, but will be separated at the time of award: UL1 award for a translational science hub that provides an Administrative Core and four additional components; (1) Translational Science Base; (2) Research Expertise and Methods; (3) Research Implementation and Participation; and (4) Network Resources and Optional Modules; KL2 award for mentored career development programs; TL1 award (optional) to support research training for pre- and post-doctorates. A technical assistance webinar will be held on Wednesday, September 17, 2014, from 12:00 to 1:30 pm EDT at event. Letters of intent are requested by November 16, 2014. Applications are due December 16, 2014. Approximately $110 million is available to support up to 21 awards. LIMITED SUBMISSION: Only one application per institution is allowed.

Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov

• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); National Institutes of Health (NIH); National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID): NIAID Career Transition Award (K22)

Notice seeking applications to increase and maintain a strong cohort of new and talented NIH-supported independent investigators that will address the health needs of the Nation. The NIAID CTA is specifically designed to facilitate the transition from a postdoctoral research position to an independent research position. Applications are due February 12, June 12, October 12, annually. Program expires September 8, 2017.

Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov

• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); National Institutes of Health (NIH); National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID), Division of Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (DAIDS): Staged Vaccine Development

Notice seeking applications to provide support to multifunctional teams for advanced development and manufacture of HIV vaccine candidates that have demonstrated success in NHP challenge studies, equivalent preclinical animal models or early human clinical trials, and have demonstrated manufacturing feasibility. Areas of interest include: Recombinant HIV protein; POX virus; DNA vaccines; Replication defective adenovirus vectors; Replication competent viral vectors; Adeno-associated virus (AAV) vectors. Applications are due December 1, 2014. Four to six awards are expected. Award amounts vary by stage.

Links: FBO notice

• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); National Institutes of Health (NIH); National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH); Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD); National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke (NINDS): Consortium on Biomarker and Outcome Measures of Social Impairment for Use in Clinical Trials in Autism Spectrum Disorder (U19)

Notice seeking applications or the Consortium on Biomarkers and Outcome Measures of Social Impairment in Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) in order to generate objective tools for use in clinical trials of behavioral or pharmacologic interventions. Letters of intent are requested by November 10, 2014. Applications are due December 10, 2014. Approximately $3.5 million is available to support one award.

Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov

• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); National Institutes of Health (NIH); National Institute of Nursing Research (NINR); National Institute on Aging (NIA); National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders (NIDCD): Self-Management for Health in Chronic Conditions (R01)

Notice seeking applications to support research in self-management focused across conditions. A recent report from the Institute of Medicine (IOM) identifies the epidemic of chronic condition as the nation’s leading health challenge and calls for cross-cutting, coordinated public health actions for “living well with chronic illness”. Applications are due February 5, June 5, and October 5, annually.

Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov
• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); National Institutes of Health (NIH); National Institute on Aging (NIA): Analyses of Datasets on Older Populations with High Prevalence of Mobility Disability to Develop Clinically Meaningful Diagnostic Cut-Points for Low Muscle Mass and/or Low Muscle Strength (U01)

Notice seeking applications for support of analyses of existing data from older populations with high prevalence of mobility disability, low muscle mass, and low muscle strength (weakness). Letters of intent are requested by December 15, 2014. Applications are due January 15, 2015. Approximately $750,000 is available to support one two-year award in FY 2015 and FY 2016.

Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov

• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); National Institutes of Health (NIH); National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders (NIDCD): National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders

Notice announcing a meeting of the NIDCD Board of Scientific Counselors to discuss reports on science and NIDCD activities. The open portion of the meeting will be held October 30, 2014, 8:30 am to 9:15 am, ET, at National Institutes of Health, Building 35A, Room 610, 35A Covent Drive, Bethesda, MD.

Links: Solicitation, Grants.gov

• U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA): Electronic Cigarettes and the Public Health; Public Workshop

Notice announcing a public workshop to obtain and discuss information related to electronic cigarettes and public health. The workshop will include presentations and panel discussions about the current state of the science, and will focus on product science, packaging, constituent labeling, and environmental impacts. FDA intends to follow this workshop with two additional electronic cigarette workshops, with one on individual health effects and one on population health effects. The public workshop will be held on December 10, 2014, from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm, ET, and on December 11, 2014, from 8:30 am to 3:30 pm, ET, at FDA White Oak Conference Center, 10903 New Hampshire Ave., Building 31 Conference Center, the Great Room (Rm. 1503A), Silver Spring, MD. To attend, register by November 25, 2014 at https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/CTP-December-Workshop.

Links: Federal Register notice

SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, and MATHEMATICS

• Environmental Protection Agency (EPA); National Environmental Justice Advisory Council (NEJAC): National Environmental Justice Advisory Council; Notification of Public Meeting and Public Comment

Notice announcing a meeting of the National Environmental Justice Advisory Council (NEJAC) to discuss and receive comments about the nexus between sustainability and environmental justice. Specifically, the NEJAC will discuss these primary areas: (1) Climate Adaptation; (2) Community Sustainability; (3) Agency Efforts on Climate Adaptation; and (4) Engaging Low-Income, Minority, Tribal and Indigenous Communities to address climate change. The meeting is scheduled to begin on Wednesday, October 1, 2014, from 9:00 a.m. until 3:45 p.m.; and will reconvene on Thursday, October 2, 2014, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. ET and will be held at the EPA Potomac Yard offices located at 2777 S. Crystal Drive, Arlington, VA 16202.

Links: Federal register notice

• Environmental Protection Agency (EPA); Office of Research and Development (ORD); National Center for Environmental Research (NCER); Applied Science Division (ASD): Student Services Contract - Washington DC

Notice seeking applications from students to assist in the administration, management, and communication of the STAR grant research program. Program will last 52 weeks from the date of award, anticipated from September 2014 through September 2015. Students may work up to 50 hours a week. Applications are due October 12, 2014. Eligible applicants must have at least a Bachelor’s degree from an accredited college or university. This degree, or a more advanced one, must have been received within the last two (2) years, or the student contractor must be currently enrolled as a student in good standing in a graduate degree program at a recognized educational institution. The degree, degree program, or concentration of study shall be in one of the following (or related) disciplines: Environmental Sciences, Physical Sciences, Life Sciences, Communication, or Science Journalism.

Links: FBO notice

• National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA): Announcement of Opportunity for Astrophysics Small Explorer Mission

Notice seeking proposals to provide frequent flight opportunities for high quality, high value, focused astrophysics science investigations that can be accomplished under a not-to-exceed cost cap and that can be developed relatively quickly, generally in 36 months or less, and executed on-orbit in less than three years. Notices of intent are strongly encouraged by October 15, 2014. Proposals are due December 18, 2014. A preproposal conference will be held October 7, 2014, and information for attending will be posted at http://explorers.larc.nasa.gov/APSME/MO/index.html. NASA anticipates two or three Step 1 awards of up to $1 million to initiate concept studies and reports which will be evaluated in Step 2. One proposal will be selected from Step 2 to be further developed for flight and operations.

Links: Solicitation, FBO Notice, Grants.gov
• **National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA):** Astrophysics Explorer Mission of Opportunity Solicitation as Salmon-2 AO Amendment

Notice seeking proposals to conduct astrophysics scientific investigations in space for three award types: Partner Missions of Opportunity (PMOs); New Missions using Existing Spacecraft (NMESs); and Small Complete Missions (SCMs). Notices of intent are strongly encouraged by October 15, 2014. Proposals are due December 18, 2014. A pre-proposal conference will be held October 7, 2014, and information for attending will be posted at http://explorers.larc.nasa.gov/APSMEX/MO/index.html. Approximately $65 million is available to support one or two awards.

Links: [Grants.gov](#), [FBO Notice](#)

• **National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA):** NASA Space Technology Research Fellowships - Fall 2015

Notice seeking applications from individuals pursuing or planning to pursue master’s or doctoral degrees in relevant space technology disciplines at accredited U.S. universities. Fellows will be partnered with a community-engaged researcher and conduct research at their respective campuses and at NASA Centers and/or at nonprofit U.S. Research and Development laboratories. Applications are due November 13, 2014. There are two phases in the application process: Phase A consists of an application by the student and Phase B consists of an application from the student’s institution. Applicants must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents and must be enrolled in a master’s or doctoral program related to space technology by fall of 2015.

Links: [FBO Notice](#)

• **National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA):** Space Technology Research Development Demonstration and Infusion-2015

Notice releasing an umbrella NASA Research Announcement (NRA) titled “Space Technology Research, Development, Demonstration, and Infusion-2015 (SpaceTech-REDDI-2015)” in October 2014. It is anticipated that this umbrella solicitation will be open for one year (through October 2015) and follow-up umbrella SpaceTech-REDDI solicitations will be issued annually at about the same time. The number and value of awards will depend on the availability of funds and the quality of proposals received.

Links: [FBO notice](#)

• **National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA):** Earth Science Subcommittee

Notice announcing a meeting of the Planetary Science Subcommittee (PSS) of the NASA Advisory Council (NAC). The purpose of the meeting is to solicit from the scientific community and other persons, scientific and technical information relevant to program planning. The meeting will be held October 10, 2014, 12:00 p.m.-2:30 p.m., Local Time. The meeting will be open to the public telephonically. Any interested person may call the USA toll free conference call number 800-988-9663, passcode 8015, to participate in this meeting by telephone.

Links: [Federal Register notice](#)

• **National Science Foundation (NSF):** Request for Information (RFI)—National Privacy Research Strategy

Notice seeking information on the vital privacy objectives that should be considered for the goals of the strategy. The National Privacy Research Strategy will be used to guide federally-funded privacy research and provide a framework for coordinating research and development in privacy-enhancing technologies. Submissions must be received no later than October 17, 2014.

Links: [Federal Register notice](#)

• **National Science Foundation (NSF); Directorate for Computer & Information Science & Engineering (CISE); Division of Advanced Cyberinfrastructure (ACI); Advisory Committee for Cyberinfrastructure:** Advisory Committee for Cyberinfrastructure

Notice announcing a meeting to discuss policies, programs and activities related to ACI. The meeting will be held October 29, 2014, from 10:00 am to 5:00 p.m. ET, and October 30, 2014, from 8:30 am to 1:00 pm, ET, at National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Room 1235, Arlington, VA.

Links: [Federal Register notice](#)

• **National Science Foundation (NSF); National Nanotechnology Coordination Office:** Public Meetings of the National Science and Technology Council; Committee on Technology; Nanoscale Science, Engineering, and Technology Subcommittee; National Nanotechnology Coordination Office

Notice announcing a public meeting of the NSF Committee on Technology; Nanoscale Science, Engineering, and Technology Subcommittee to discuss environmental, health, and safety issues related to nanomaterials. Teleconferences and web meetings for the CORs will take place periodically between September 18, 2014 and September 30, 2015. Meeting dates, call-in information, and other COR updates will be posted on the Community of Research page at http://us-eu.org/.

Links: [Federal Register notice](#)
University of New Orleans Office of Research and Sponsored Programs
Weekly Funding Opportunities September 22, 2014

- **U.S. Department Interior (DOI); Bureau of Land Management (BLM); Fire and Aviation Directorate:** Joint Fire Science Program (JFSP)
  Primary Announcement (7 Statements)
  Links: [Grants.gov](https://www.grants.gov)

- **U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA); National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS):** Notice of Invitation for Nominations to the Advisory Committee on Agriculture Statistics
  Notice seeking public nominations to the Advisory Committee on Agriculture Statistics. Written nominations must be received on or before October 24, 2014 in a variety of formats, including email, efax, and ground mail. Please see notice for delivery directions.
  Links: [Federal Register notice](https://www.federalregister.gov)

- **U.S. Department of Commerce (DOC); National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA); National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS):** FY2015 Community-based Marine Debris Removal
  Notice seeking proposals to catalyze the implementation of locally-driven, community-based marine debris prevention, assessment, and removal projects that will benefit coastal habitat, waterways, and NOAA trust resources. Proposals are due November 17, 2014. Approximately $2 million is available to support up to 15 awards.
  Links: [Grants.gov](https://www.grants.gov)

- **U.S. Department of Commerce (DOC); National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA); National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS):** Year 2015/2016 Atlantic Sea Scallop Research Set-Aside
  Notice seeking proposals to conduct research on scallop fishery resources or scallop management decisions. See the solicitation for a list of specific research priorities in order of importance. Proposals are due November 12, 2014. Successful applicants will be awarded a scallop quota set-aside measured in pounds of scallops.
  Links: [Grants.gov](https://www.grants.gov)

- **U.S. Department of Defense (DOD); Air Force Office of Scientific Research (AFOSR); Office of Naval Research (ONR); Army Research Office (ARO):** Defense University Research Instrumentation Program (DURIP) Fiscal Year 2015
  Notice seeking applications to acquire research equipment to improve the capabilities of U.S. institutions of higher education to conduct research and to educate scientists and engineers in areas important to national defense. Applications are due November 17, 2014. Approximately $46 million is available to support multiple awards ranging from $50,000 to $1.5 million.

- **U.S. Department of Defense (DoD); Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA):** Strategic Technologies
  Notice seeking applications to investigate approaches that enable revolutionary advances in science, devices, or systems. Applications are due by September 17, 2015. Multiple awards are possible.
  Links: [FBO notice, Grants.gov](https://www.defense.gov)

- **U.S. Department of Defense (DOD); Department of the Navy; Office of Naval Research (ONR):** Minerva Research Initiative
  Notice seeking proposals to promote research in specific areas of social science and to promote a candid and constructive relationship between DoD and the social science academic community. White papers are due October 31, 2014. Proposals are due January 30, 2015. Approximately $8 million is available to support five to seven awards over three years.
  Links: [Solicitation, Grants.gov](https://www.onr.navy.mil)

- **U.S. Department of Energy (DOE):** Commission to Review the Effectiveness of the National Energy Laboratories
  Notice announcing a meeting to discuss review of work by the DOE National Laboratories supporting other agencies, as well as a discussion of technology transfer and technology partnering at the laboratories. The meeting will be held October 6, 2014, from 10:30 am to 4:00 pm, ET, at Institute for Defense Analyses, Room 1301, 4850 Mark Center Drive, Alexandria, VA. To attend, email the contact by October 1, 2014.
  Links: [Federal Register notice](https://www.federalregister.gov)
• **U.S. Department of Energy (DOE); Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE):** Notice of Intent: Building America Industry Partnerships for High Performance Housing Innovation

Notice seeking applications to demonstrate market-relevant strategies that will lead to 40% energy savings in existing homes (pre-post retrofit) by 2030 and 50% savings in new homes. Application deadline has yet to be determined.

Links: [Solicitation](#), [Grants.gov](#)

• **U.S. Department of the Interior (DOI); Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS):** FY2015 Webless Migratory Game Bird Program RFP

Notice seeking proposals to support activities that will improve management of the 16 species of migratory shore and upland game birds in North America. Proposals are due November 14, 2014. Approximately $280,000 is available to support up to five awards.

Links: [Solicitation](#), [Grants.gov](#)

• **U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT); Surface Transportation Board:** Notice of Rail Energy Transportation Advisory Committee Meeting

Notice announcing a meeting of the Rail Energy transportation Advisory Committee (RETAC) to continue discussions regarding issues such as rail performance, capacity constraints, infrastructure planning and development, and effective coordination among suppliers, carriers, and users of energy resources. The meeting will be held on October 2, 2014, at 9:00 am, ET, in the Hearing Room on the first floor of the Board’s headquarters at 395 E Street, SW, Washington, DC.

Links: [Federal Register notice](#)

• **U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA):** Projects to Improve Air Quality at Ports - 2014 Diesel Emissions Reduction Act (DERA) Funding Opportunity

Notice seeking proposals for research on achieving significant reductions in diesel emissions in terms of tons of pollution produced by diesel engines and diesel emissions exposure, from fleets operating at marine and inland water ports located in areas of poor air quality. Proposals are due December 11, 2014. Approximately $5 million is available to support five awards.

Links: [Solicitation](#), [Grants.gov](#)

• **U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA):** Meeting of the National Drinking Water Advisory Council

Notice announcing a meeting of the National Drinking Water Advisory Council to consider various issues associated with drinking water protection and public water systems. The meeting will be held on November 6, 2014, from 8:30 am to 5:00 pm, ET, and on November 7, 2014, from 8:30 am to 2:00 pm, ET, in Room 1117-A at the EPA William Jefferson Clinton East Building, 1201 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC. Members of the public who would like to receive pertinent information or present or submit statements at this meeting should notify the contact by October 17, 2014.

Links: [Federal Register notice](#)

**STATE and REGIONAL OPPORTUNITIES**

• Service Area Competition

Links: [Solicitation](#), [Grants.gov](#)

• New England Fishery Management Council (NEFMC); Public Meeting

Links: [Federal Register notice](#)

• Notice of Resource Advisory Council Meeting for the Dominguez-Escalante National Conservation Area Advisory Council

Links: [Federal Register notice](#)

• Cooperative Research Units Program FY 2015

Links: [Grants.gov](#)