# Research Competitiveness Subprogram (RCS)



### RCS: Overview



- RCS is a stimulus program directed only toward researchers at the threshold of becoming competitive on a consistent basis in the federal R&D marketplace.
- Proposed research must include fundamental (basic) research contributions rather than simply the application of existing knowledge.
- Junior researchers at the threshold of competitiveness are given priority over senior researchers changing fields.

# RCS: Program Types



#### **RCS**

- ► For projects lasting up to three years
- **►** Max request is \$200,000

#### **RCS One-Year**

- For projects lasting one year
- ► Max request is \$20,000

## **RCS:** Eligibility



- You may only serve as PI or Co-PI on one RCS grant at a time
- If you are currently benefitting from RCS funding or received funding last year (start date 6/1/23), you are not eligible
- If you received funding in FY 2022 or earlier, you are eligible

#### **Disciplines**

- Biological Sciences I and II
- Computer & Information Sciences
- Earth/Environmental Sciences
- Agricultural Sciences

- Engineering A (Chemical, Civil, Electrical, etc.)
- Mathematics
- Physics/Astronomy
- Social Sciences

## **RCS:** Budgets



#### F&A (Indirect) Costs

25% of salary, wages, and payroll benefits

#### **Salary Limitations**

25% of academic salary + 2 summer months

#### Equipment

Must include 25% cash match

# Take advantage of BoR resources!

The Office of Research maintains a webpage dedicated to Board of Regents funding—including a budget spreadsheet that will automatically calculate the correct F&A costs, payroll benefits, and more!

### **RCS: Cost Share**



- Startup funds may be included as cost share.
- **▶** Unrecovered F&A may be included as cost share.
- **Equipment** must include 25% cash match.

## **RCS: In Summary**



- Geared toward researchers who need support becoming competitive in the federal R&D marketplace
- Program Types
  - **RCS**: up to \$200,000 over 3 years
  - ► RCS One-Year: up to \$20,000 for 1 year



Deliverable	Where	Deadline
BoR Notice of Intent	LOGAN	Monday, September 11 by <b>NOON</b>
UNO Proposal Routing form	UNO Website	Tuesday, October 10 by 4:30 PM
BoR Proposal	LOGAN	Tuesday, November 7 by <b>NOON</b>

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