

a school feeding program (such as the National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program). This may be a school district, several school districts, or individual schools. Schools can be public, public charter, or private schools.

Estimated Number of Respondents: The total estimated number of respondents is 32. PLANTS will award eight grants to projects that are collaboratively administered by at least three partners and no more than five partners. An eligible application *must* include at least one SFA and is permitted to include up to four SFAs.

Therefore, a minimum of eight SFAs and a maximum of 32 SFAs will complete the SCALE assessment and PLANTS Data Request. It is expected that a majority of the Directors of the SFAs will complete the assessment (24), while larger organizations may require other food service personnel to complete the assessment (8).

Estimated Number of Responses per Respondent: The estimated number of responses per respondent is 1 per year. SFAs will be asked to complete the SCALE assessment and PLANTS Data Request three separate times during the

grant implementation period between April 2024–June 2027.

Estimated Total Annual Responses: 32.

Estimated Time per Response: The estimated average time for this collection is 4.5 hours. FNS estimates that it will take each respondent 1.5 hours to complete the SCALE assessment and 3 hours to complete the PLANTS Data Request.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 144.00 hours. See the table below for estimated total annual burden for each type of respondent.

	Respondents (A)	Estimated number of respondents (B)	Responses annually per respondent (C)	Total annual responses (B) × (C) = (D)	Estimated avg. number of hours per response (E)	Estimated total hours (D) × (E) = (F)
Reporting Burden						
Local Government	Director of Food Services .. Food Service Employee	23 8	1 1	23 8	4.5 4.5	103.5 36
Sub-total .....	..... Food Service Director	31 1	..... 1	31 1	..... 4.5	139.5 4.5
Total .....	.....	32.00	1	32.00	4.5	144.00

The supporting statement for approved Information Collection Request 0584–0512 explicitly states that if FNS decides to use the uniform grant application package, FNS will note in the grant solicitation that applicants must use the uniform grant application package, and that the information collection has already been approved by OMB. If FNS determines that it needs grant applicants to provide additional information not contained in the uniform package, then FNS will publish at least a 30-day notice soliciting comments on its proposal to collect different or additional information before issuing the grant solicitation. FNS is publishing this 30-day notice to solicit public comment and meet that requirement.

FNS will consider and utilize public comments to adjust the collection of additional information as appropriate and necessary.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Rural Business Cooperative Service [DOCKET #: RBS–23–BUSINESS–0029]

Amended Notice of Funding Opportunity for Rural Energy for America Program Technical Assistance Grant Program for Fiscal Year 2024; Extension of Submission Deadline

AGENCY: Rural Business Cooperative Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice, extension of submission deadline.

SUMMARY: The Rural Business Cooperative Service (RBCS or the Agency), a Rural Development (RD) agency of the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), announced its acceptance of applications under the Rural Energy for America (REAP) Technical Assistance Grant (TAG) Program for fiscal year (FY) 2024 in the **Federal Register** on February 20, 2024. This notice is extending the date by which applications can be submitted.

DATES: The deadline for submissions regarding the NOFO published February 20, 2024, at 89 FR 12815, is extended from March 15, 2024, to March 21, 2024.

ADDRESSES: Completed applications for grants must be submitted electronically via <https://www.Grants.gov> or to the

USDA RD State Office (RDSO) State Energy Coordinator of the State where the project is located via email no later than 11:59 p.m. Eastern Time (ET) on March 21, 2024. The RDSO State Energy Coordinator for the applicable State can be found at: <https://www.rd.usda.gov/contact-us/state-energy-coordinators>.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The Agency is extending the deadline for submissions regarding the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for the Rural Energy for America Program Technical Assistance Grant Program for Fiscal Year 2024 published February 20, 2024, at 89 FR 12815, from March 15, 2024, to March 21, 2024. This change is being made to allow Applicants a full 30 days from publication to prepare their complete applications.

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