

Below are a summary and key takeaways from the subject presentation given at the 2017 Large Facilities Workshop.

Evolving NSF Oversight & Other Developments

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Description: LFO provided an overview of the past year's activities, status of projects in design and construction, and framed the workshop break-out session discussions. Ongoing activities include implementing the [American Innovation and Competitiveness Act \(AICA\)](#) and recommendations from the [National Academy of Public Administration \(NAPA\) Panel Report on NSF Use of Cooperative Agreements to Support Large Scale Investment in Research](#). NSF clarified that the AICA requirements will be applied in a reasonable, appropriate way going forward. NSF has strategically implemented AICA requirements for facilities already in design and construction. Generally speaking, current Recipients with design and construction awards where the project is less than 75% complete have been brought into compliance. For active operations award (i.e. 3 years into a 5-year award) no additional actions are required for annual funding increments; these will be based on the last proposal submission and standard NSF review. However, future audit requirements based on annual risk assessments or award end date will apply. NSF will exercise judgement when considering each case, particularly where there is flexibility. All future proposals and subsequent awards must be in full compliance.