

APLU BAC Proposed New Approach FAQ

- *Question*

Answer

- *What would the process entail if we moved to this single 'ask' model, in regards to allocation of funding to individual report lines?*

The proposed allocation would be part of the ask. The mockup of the one-pager, and the Option A-B spreadsheet should go a long ways in helping to address the question.

- *If appropriations to NIFA are greater than the sum of the requests for the six priority lines, then where are the additional funds allocated (do we have any control of this)?*

I hope we have this problem. As has always been the case, the only control we have is by virtue of the strength of our advocacy effort. Ideally they would add additional \$'s to our core priorities.

- *If the budget is cut, then how does this translate to individual lines?*

Previous answer applies on control. I would note that, other than the sequester year, any reductions in NIFA lines have occurred outside of our core priorities.

- *How do we ensure that all sections (ESCOP, ACOP, ECOP, 1890s, etc) feel represented in the budget request?*

The entire process described above should help to illustrate that a rising tide floats all boats. ACOP is the most challenging on those as they are not directly reflected in the core six lines, rather they benefit from each. The challenge will be, similar to the CREATE21 process, sections arguing for a bigger portion of an increase that has yet to be realized. The competitive and capacity lines are important across all sections and would significantly increase in the OPTIONS presented.

Timeline

- December 13: BAC Call – Approps strategy discussion
- December 13 – January: BAC reps and EDs lead discussions throughout the system
- January: finalize discussions and answer questions
- January 19: BAC Call – discuss options, feedback, fix anything
- February 16: BAC Call – approve new strategy
- February PBD Meeting: Ratify BAC decision
- March 5 – 8: CARET/AHS