

N00014-18-S-B001 - Long Range Broad Agency Announcement (BAA) for Navy and Marine Corps Science and Technology

Frequently Asked Questions

Q1: In regards to the subject BAA, am I correct in assuming that we can respond to this BAA at any time through 30 September 30, 2018 and not just in response to a Special Notice.

A1: Correct, the Long Range BAA (N00014-18-S-B001) is open through 30 September, 2018 and proposals may be sent to ONR during this time.

Q2: My question is whether a program structured with either a subcontract or a Cooperative Research and Development Agreement (CRADA) with a military university would be permissible under these Navy's eligibility requirements?

A2: If an offeror wants to collaborate with members of a military university for a proposal under the BAA, a CRADA would be required. Military universities generally cannot perform as subcontractors to private companies and accept payment for services rendered. Offerors should speak with their counterpart(s) at the military university and confirm that the university has the authority to enter into a CRADA. If they do, the offeror may collaborate with the military university via a CRADA and propose under the BAA with the offeror as the prime contractor.

Q3: Regarding the Notional Schedule on page Appendix 2-6 of the BAA, I have a PI who plans on submitting for the Oct. 1 - Dec. 31, 2017 deadline, but would like to use a project start date of May 1, 2018 instead of the March 1, 2018 one listed in the chart. Will a start date of May 1, 2018 be acceptable or shall I counsel him to move it back to March 1st, as written in the BAA?

A3: As per the ONR grants team, it is recommended that grants offerors use the start dates listed in the BAA. However, if the PI would like to begin work on a different date, that request may be included as the 'effective date' in the proposal.

Q4: There is language on pages Appendix 2-5 & 2-6 and I want to ensure that we are answering these questions correctly – the first four bullet points pertain to the PI and specific project, the 5th bullet is organization specific, and the last bullet is an overview of the items listed.

A4: The first, fourth, and fifth bullets point refer to both the PI and the organization. The second and third bullet points refer to the PI and specific project. The sixth bullet is an overview of the items listed.

Q5: Does the BAA allow for foreign (non-US) prime contractors or subcontractors?

A5: Yes, foreign (non-US) prime contractors and subcontractors are allowed under the BAA. However, offerors will want to confirm with the cognizant Program Officer that their specific area of research does not have any foreign restrictions.

Q6: Am I required to submit the tax liability form for my grants submission?

A6: Yes, as per page Appendix 2-15 of the BAA, all grant applicants are required to complete the "Representation on Tax Delinquency and Felony Conviction".