

REDD Town Hall

Introducing COMPASS:
Compliance, Proposals,
Agreements & Strategic
Services



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Setting the Course

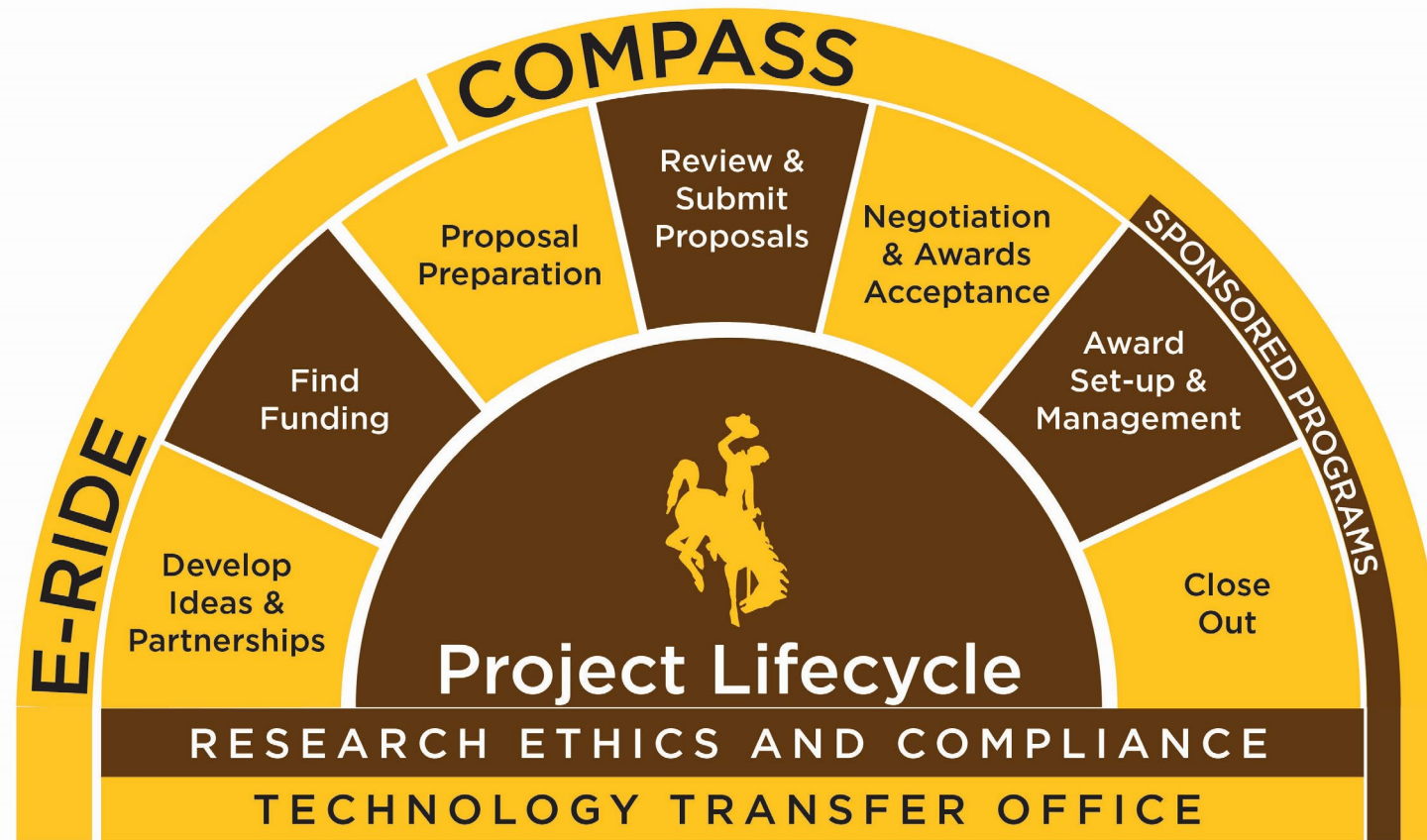
- Introduce the COMPASS unit and team
- Discuss the services we provide
- Share upcoming training and engagement opportunities

Why COMPASS:

Responding to a Changing Landscape

The Research Environment is Evolving	REDD Reorganization	Why COMPASS
Federal & State funding uncertainty	Opportunity to simplify and better align functions	Brings proposal, agreement, and compliance functions together
Increasing complexity	Strengthening customer-facing support for campus	Provides clearer navigation for researchers and departments
Increasing responsibilities	Improving coordination across interconnected services	Enhances coordination, responsiveness, and consistency
	Increasing efficiency and reducing barriers in processes	Supports a more agile and effective research enterprise

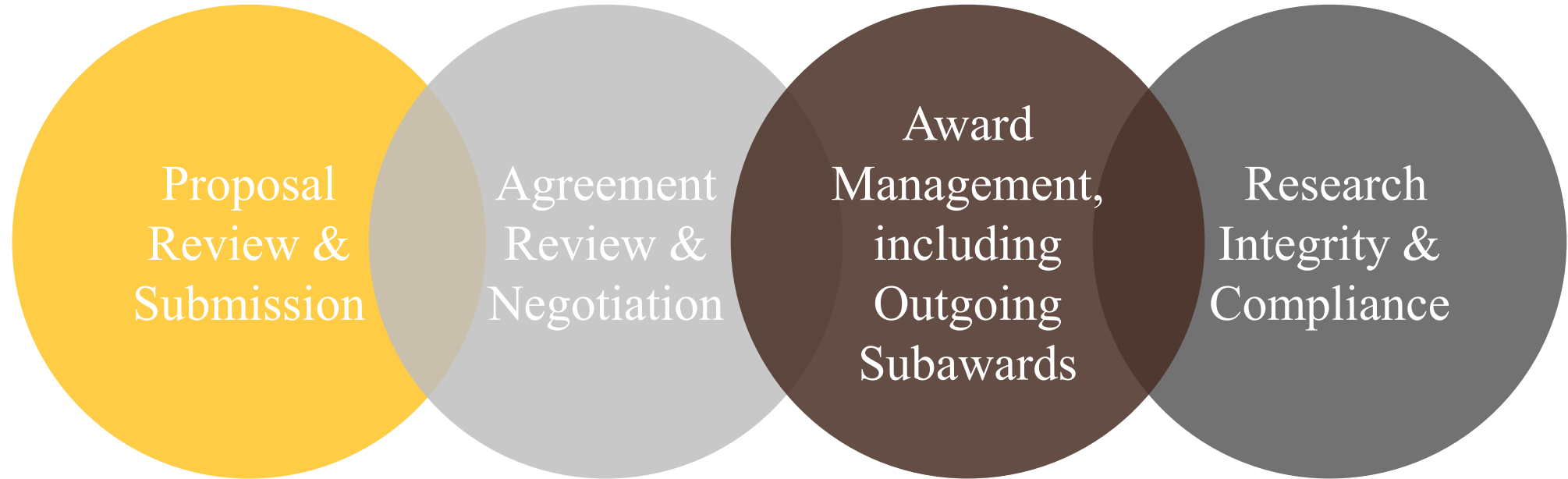
Charting the Journey



Charting The Course

COMPASS helps guide the University of Wyoming community through the sponsored projects lifecycle—proposals, agreements, and compliance—providing direction with clarity, coordination, support, and confidence.

How We Navigate

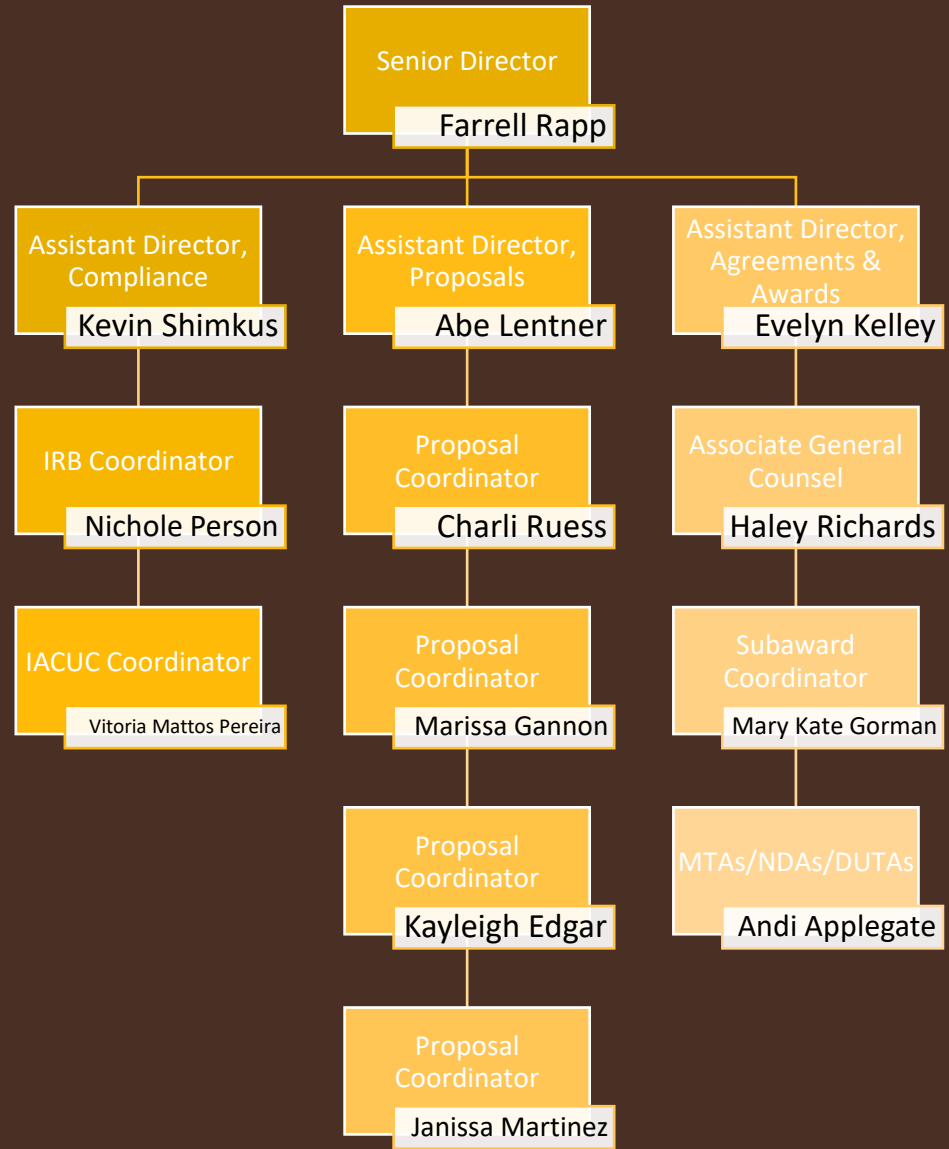


Finding Your Way

If you need... →	Start with...
Proposal submission →	Proposal Team
Agreement Review →	Agreements Team
Award Management →	Agreements Team
Subaward →	Outgoing Subaward Coordinator
Compliance question →	Compliance Team

Your Navigation Team

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Navigating Compliance

We Support You By:

- Submission, approval, and support of animal research (IACUC)
- Submission, approval, and support of human subjects research (IRB)
- Providing training and resources for responsible and ethical conduct of research (RCR)
- Ensuring the highest levels of research integrity, addressing allegations of research misconduct or non-compliance

When to Engage COMPASS:

- When ready to initiate animal or human subjects research
- When federal funding has training requirements
- When unsure how to handle a research integrity situation

Compliance Impact

IACUC:

- **185** new, amended, or renewed protocol items in the last 12 months
- **34 days** - Average approval time for new IACUC protocols

IRB:

- **448** new, updated, or renewed protocol items in the last 12 months
- **12, 14, or 20.5** days – Average approval times for new IRB protocols

Cultivating a culture of research integrity

- More outreach, training, and resources than ever before

Compliance Team

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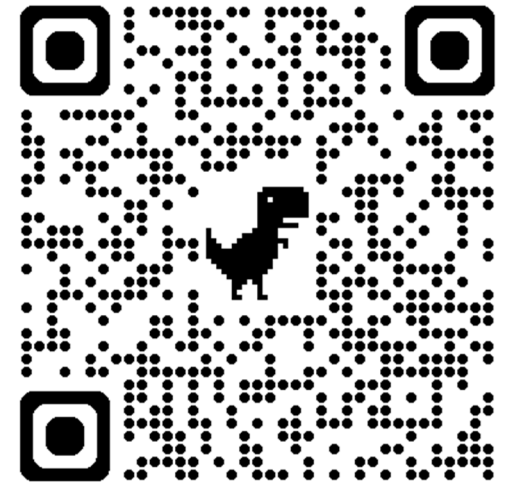
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Navigating Proposals: Proposal Review & Submission

We Support You By:

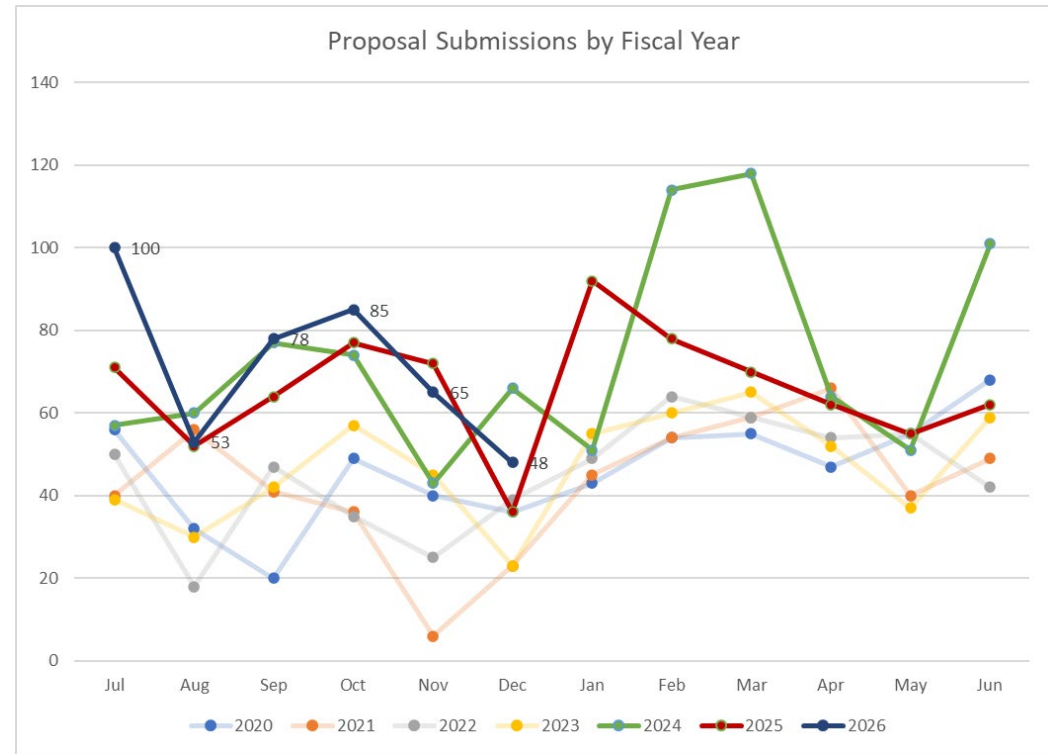
- Reviewing proposals and supplements for compliance and completeness
- Budget review and compliance
- Coordinating institutional review and approvals
- Assisting with sponsor guidelines and submission requirements
- Submitting proposals on behalf of the institution

When to Engage COMPASS:

- At intent to develop a proposal or plan a proposal
- Any time an external entity is going to sponsor an activity on campus
- When sponsor guidelines are complex or unclear
- Prior to internal deadlines for submission

Proposal Impact

- Number of proposal submissions growing by ~8% per year.
- Around 800 proposals submitted each year
- New & increasing compliance requirements for applicants
- New federal programs have shorter turn-around times



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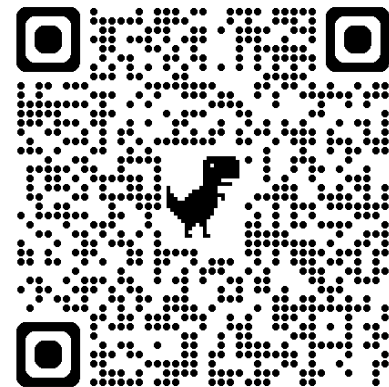
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Navigating Just-in-Time (JIT)

We Support You By:

- Coordinating Just-in-Time (JIT) and pre-award requirements
- Assisting with sponsor requests prior to award issuance
- Ensuring compliance with sponsor and institutional requirements
- Supporting a smooth transition from proposal to award
- IRB and IACUC protocol submission and approval as needed

When to Engage COMPASS:

- When JIT or additional sponsor information is requested
- When clarification is needed on pre-award requirements
- Prior to award setup

Just-in-Time (JIT) Team

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Navigating Agreements: Agreements & Negotiation

We Support You By:

- Reviewing and negotiating sponsored project-related agreements, including grants, contracts, cooperative agreements, non-disclosure agreements (NDAs), material-transfer agreements (MTAs), and Data-Use and Transfer Agreements (DUTAs)
- Protecting university and investigator interests
- Coordinating with sponsors, industry partners, and General Counsel
- Facilitating timely agreement execution

When to Engage COMPASS:

- When entering into a sponsored project-related agreement, including, but not limited to, site access agreements, rental agreements, NDAs, MTAs, and DUTAs
- When terms or risks are unclear

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Navigating Award Set up:

Non-Financial Award Management

We Support You By:

- Reviewing new awards, sponsor requirements and set up
- Ensuring continued compliance with sponsor terms and conditions

When to Engage COMPASS:

- Receipt of a new award
- Questions about status of award or new agreement
- Receipt of new funding increment, supplement or sponsor notice

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Navigating Award Management:

Non-Financial Award Management

We Support You By:

- Reviewing sponsor changes
- Preparing required documentation
- Ensuring continued compliance with sponsor and institutional requirements
- Submitting the request for approval on behalf of the institution (Prior Approvals)
- Technical Reports/Close-out

When to Engage COMPASS:

- When you need to add, remove or change a subaward on your project
- When you need to make a significant change to your award (change in personnel, scope, budget, or extension)
- Assistant submitting a technical report
- Closeout

Award Management Team

Prior Approvals

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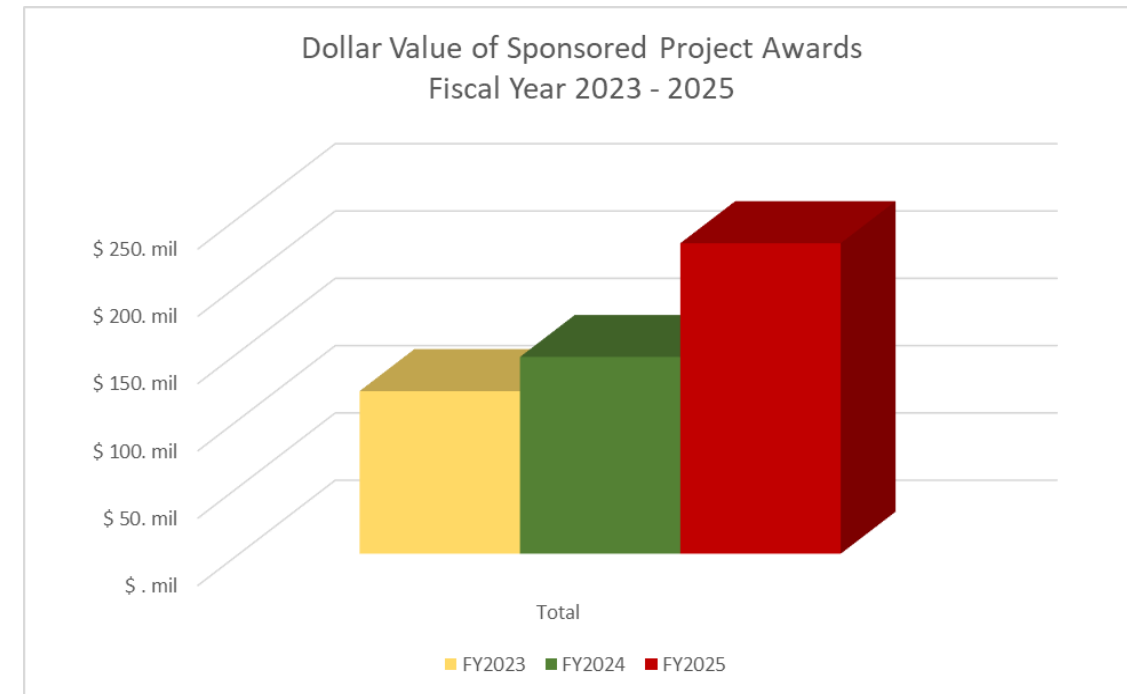
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Award Impact

- Award terms are growing in complexity
- Growth of industry partnerships requiring customized agreements
- R1 Status and growing research expenditures



Navigating Outgoing Subawards

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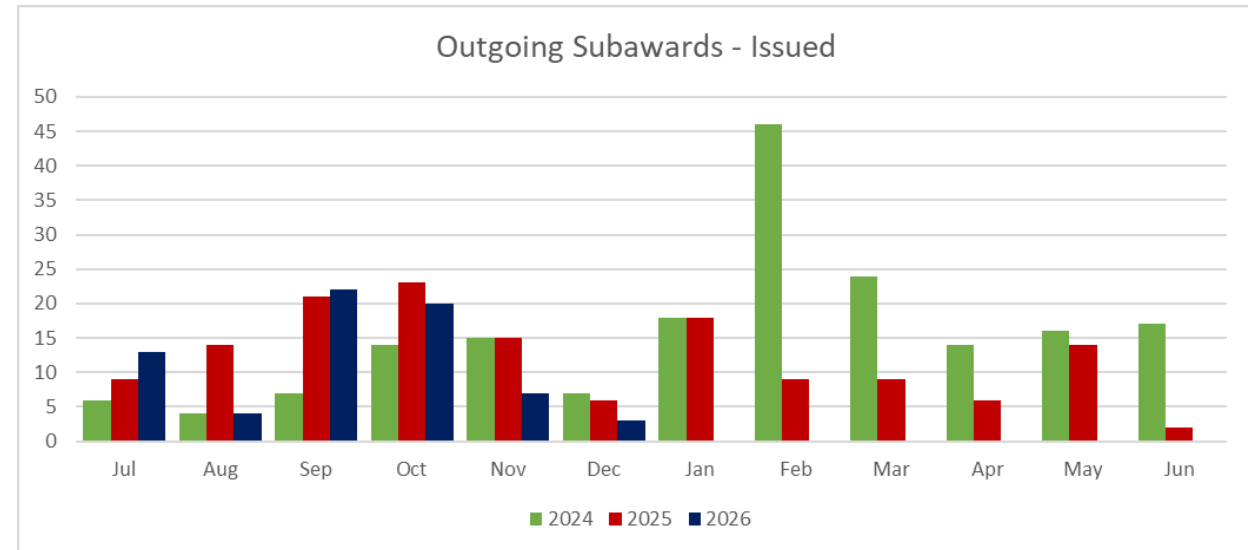
- Preparing and issuing outgoing subawards, including subaward modifications
- Coordinating with subrecipient institutions
- Negotiating subaward terms and conditions
- Completing the subrecipient risk assessment
- Supporting collaborative research relationships

When to Engage COMPASS:

- When including subrecipients in a proposal
- After award when a subaward needs to be issued
- When working with new or complex partners
- When an existing subawards needs to be changed or modified

Subaward Impact

- An average of 13 subawards issued each month
- Improved systems for tracking and monitoring subawards
- Subaward status visible in ROAMWyo



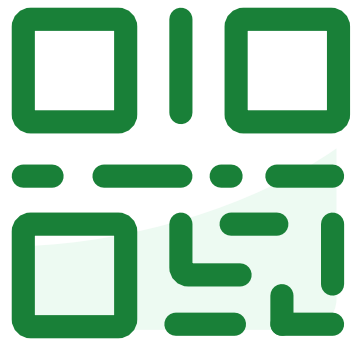
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What tools, services, or guidance would you find most valuable?

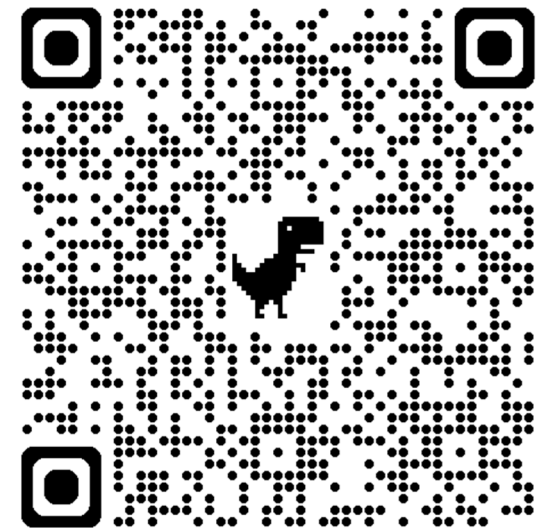


What's one word that describes your ideal support experience?

Partnering in the Journey

- **Engage Early**
- **Connect With Us**
- **What to Expect**
 - Changes you might see
 - Changes you might not see

Use this QR Code to set a meeting with a
COMPASS Team Member



Upcoming Training Opportunities

- Sponsored Projects 101: Award Closeout – Submission of Progress Reports | March 25 | 2 – 3 PM
- ROAMWyo Sponsored Projects, Proposal Form Updates | April 1 | 1 – 1:45 PM
- ROAMWyo Sponsored Projects, Proposal Form Updates | April 2 | 9:30 – 10:15 AM
- Award Review, Negotiation & Management | April 17 | 10 – 11:30 AM
- RCR Seminar: *Authorship & Peer Review* | April 22 | 12-1 PM
- Sponsored Projects 101: Information on REDD Partnerships & Centers | April 29 | 2 – 3 PM
- RCR Seminar: *Research Misconduct* | May 20 | 12 – 1 PM
- Sponsored Projects 101: Optional Q&A | May 27 | 2 – 3 PM

Upcoming Events

- Vivarium Users Townhall | April 13 | 12:30 PM | Classroom Bldg 222
- REDD Town Hall featuring e-RIDE | April 28



Questions

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