

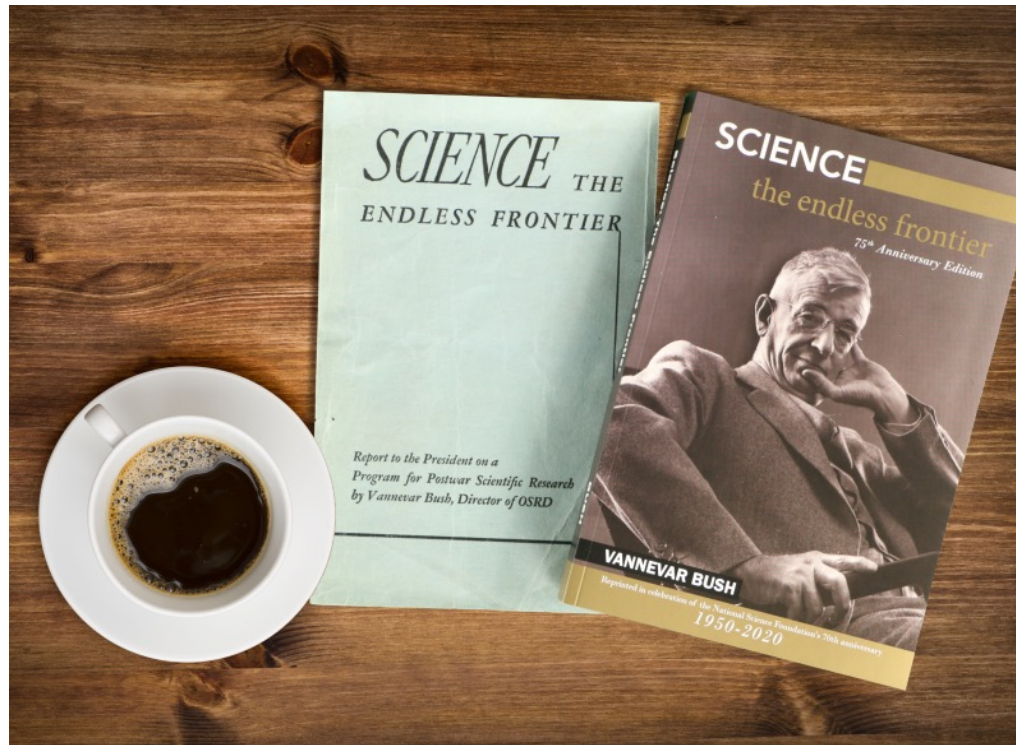


Advancing Technology, Innovation and Partnerships

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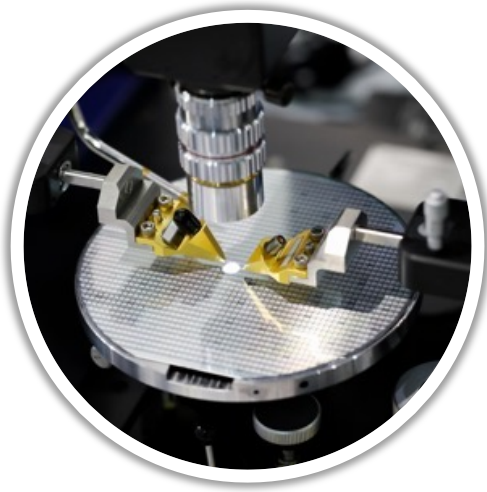
75 years ago: *The Endless Frontier*



A defining moment



An evolving research & innovation ecosystem



Pace of discovery
accelerated by data,
emerging technologies



Demand for
societal impact



Opportunity to leverage
partnerships



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“Technology / supply push”



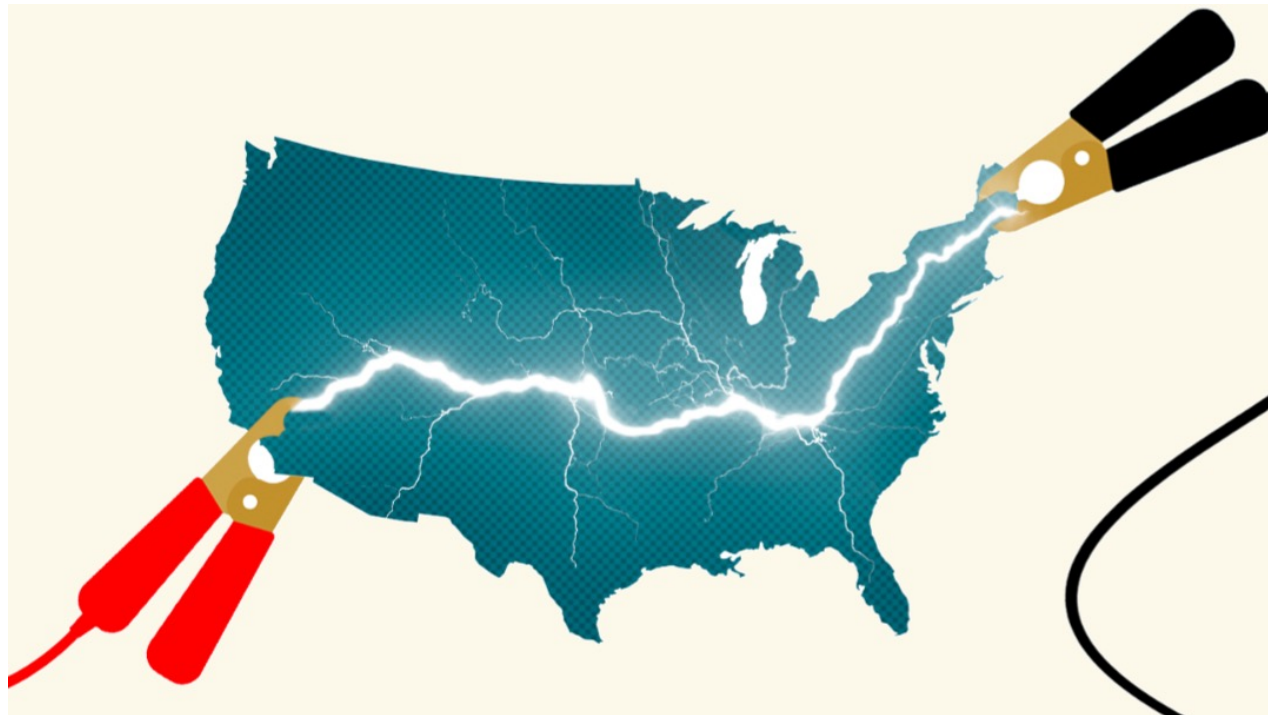
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“Market / demand pull”



Today: *Jump-Starting America*



CHIPS and Science Act of 2022

- Appropriates \$54 billion for semiconductors incentives, R&D, workforce development
- Authorizes NSF, DOE, NIST, NASA
- Authorizes \$81B for NSF:
 - +\$36B for the agency
 - Of that, +\$20B for TIP
- Authorizes a new NSF Directorate for Technology, Innovation and Partnerships




NSF's existing directorates and offices



A new “horizontal” to enhance use-inspired and translational research



Engineering



Computer &
Engineering



Geosciences
(including Polar
Programs)



Social, Behavioral
& Economic
Sciences

DIRECTORATE FOR TECHNOLOGY, INNOVATION AND PARTNERSHIPS (TIP)



Mathematical &
Physical Sciences



Integrative
Activities



International
Science &
Engineering



Ramping up TIP



Jan. 21:
NSF + Intel
announce
semiconductor
workforce
partnership



March 16:
NSF
establishes
TIP

**Privacy-Enhancing
Technologies
PRIZE CHALLENGES**

July 20:
NSF, NIST,
OSTP, UK
announce
privacy prize
challenges



Sept. 7:
NSF, DOD
partner to
advance 5G
security

Activate

Sept. 19:
NSF
announces
Entrepreneurial
Fellowships



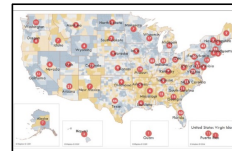
Feb. 15:
Pathways to
enable Open-
Source
Ecosystems
launches



May 3:
NSF Engines
program
launches



July 28:
NSF Engines
Concept
Outlines
published

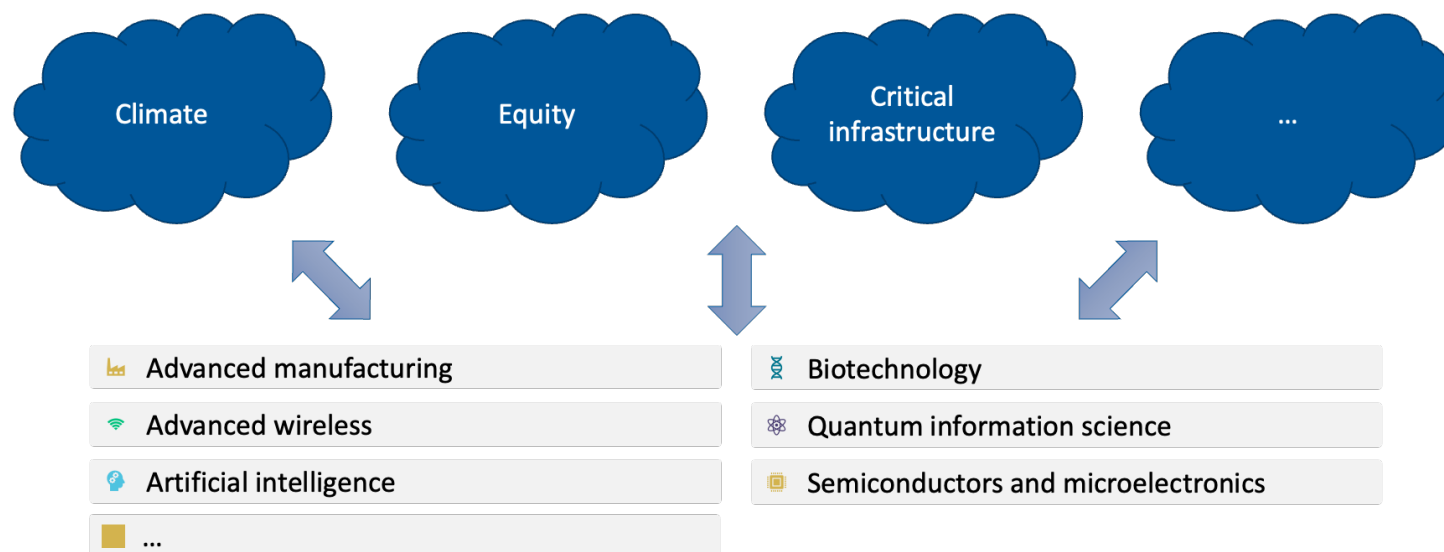


Sept. 8:
NSF awards
five new I-
Corps™ Hubs



NSF Regional Innovation Engines (NSF Engines)

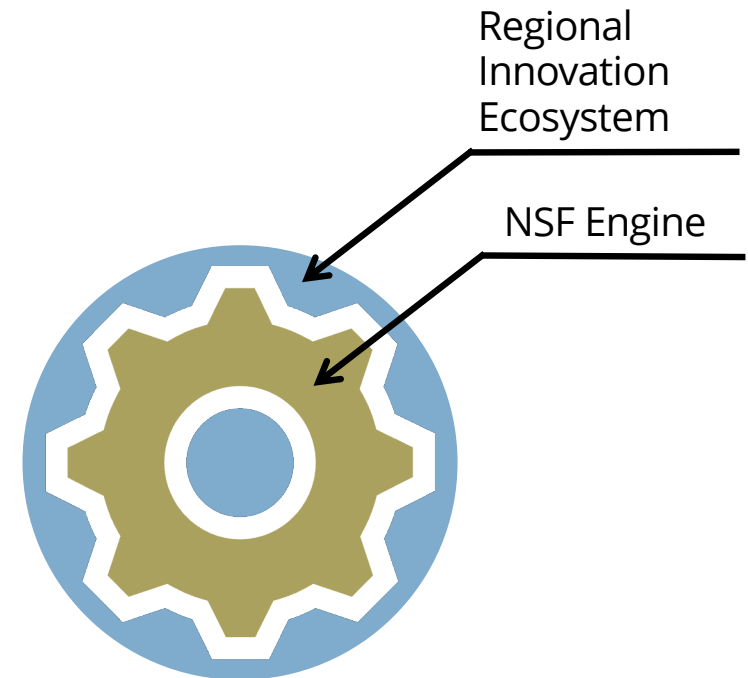
- Cultivate new regional innovation ecosystems throughout the U.S.
- Address major scientific/technological goals while solving societal challenges
- Balance technical and geographic innovation



What is an NSF Engine?

A multi-sector **coalition** of regional partners working together to catalyze a **regional innovation ecosystem** in a **topic area** of regional relevance and national and societal significance.

Engines are led by CEOs and include partners from industry, institutions of higher education, government, and non-profit and community organizations.

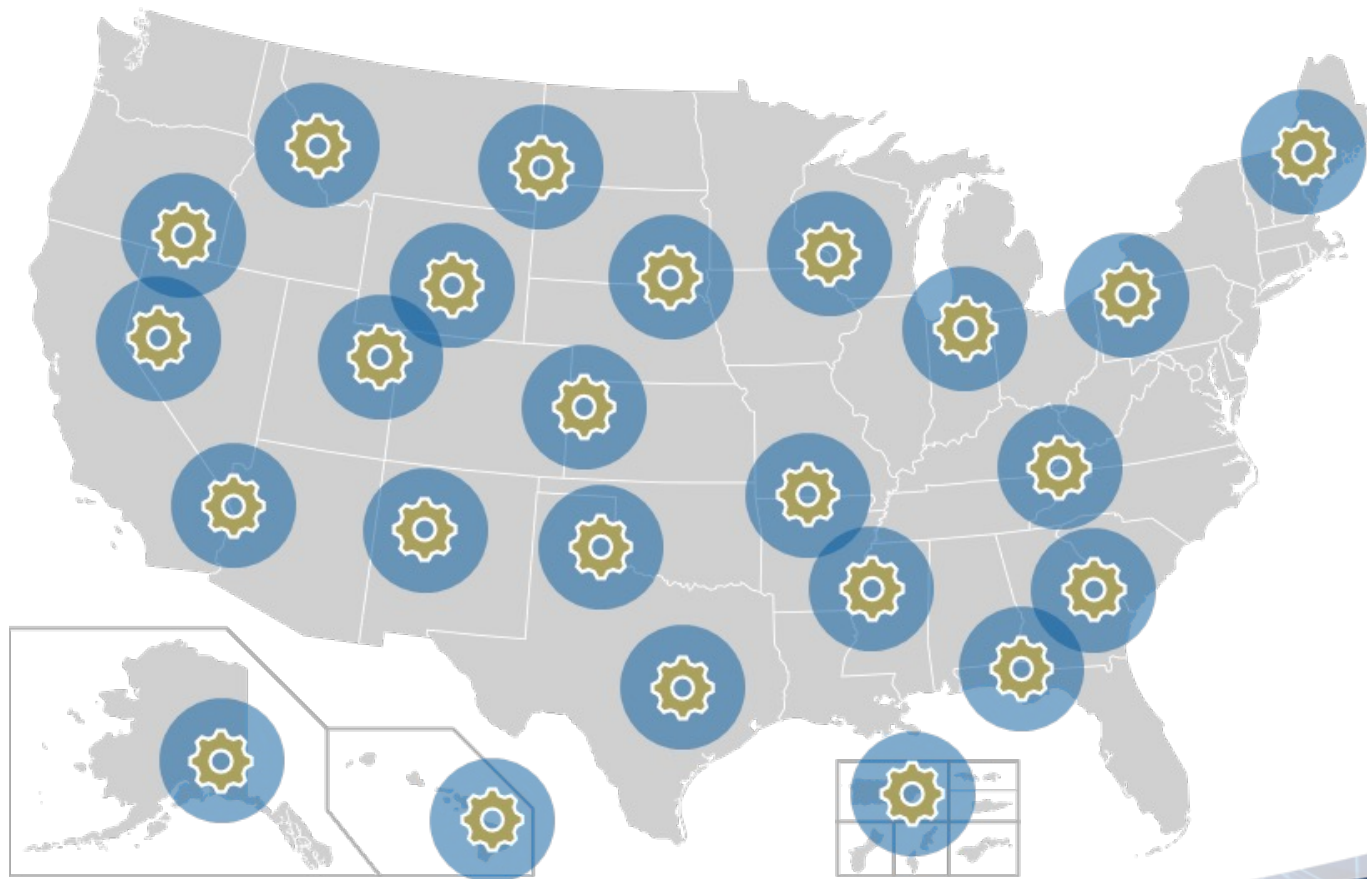


NSF Engines: Intentionally different

- A different scale
- Iterative co-design/co-creation through intentional engagement of broad, diverse stakeholders (“users”)
- Cohort-based training
- Milestone requirements for continued funding
- Focused success expectations:
 - Regional development
 - Individual and geographic diversity, including mentoring
 - Scaling and sustainability
 - Active participation and engagement
 - IP ownership extends to all contributing parties
 - Changing culture
 - Practitioner/entrepreneur development
 - Integrative/additive
- Evaluation of the overall approach



NSF Engines: Expanding innovation across the US





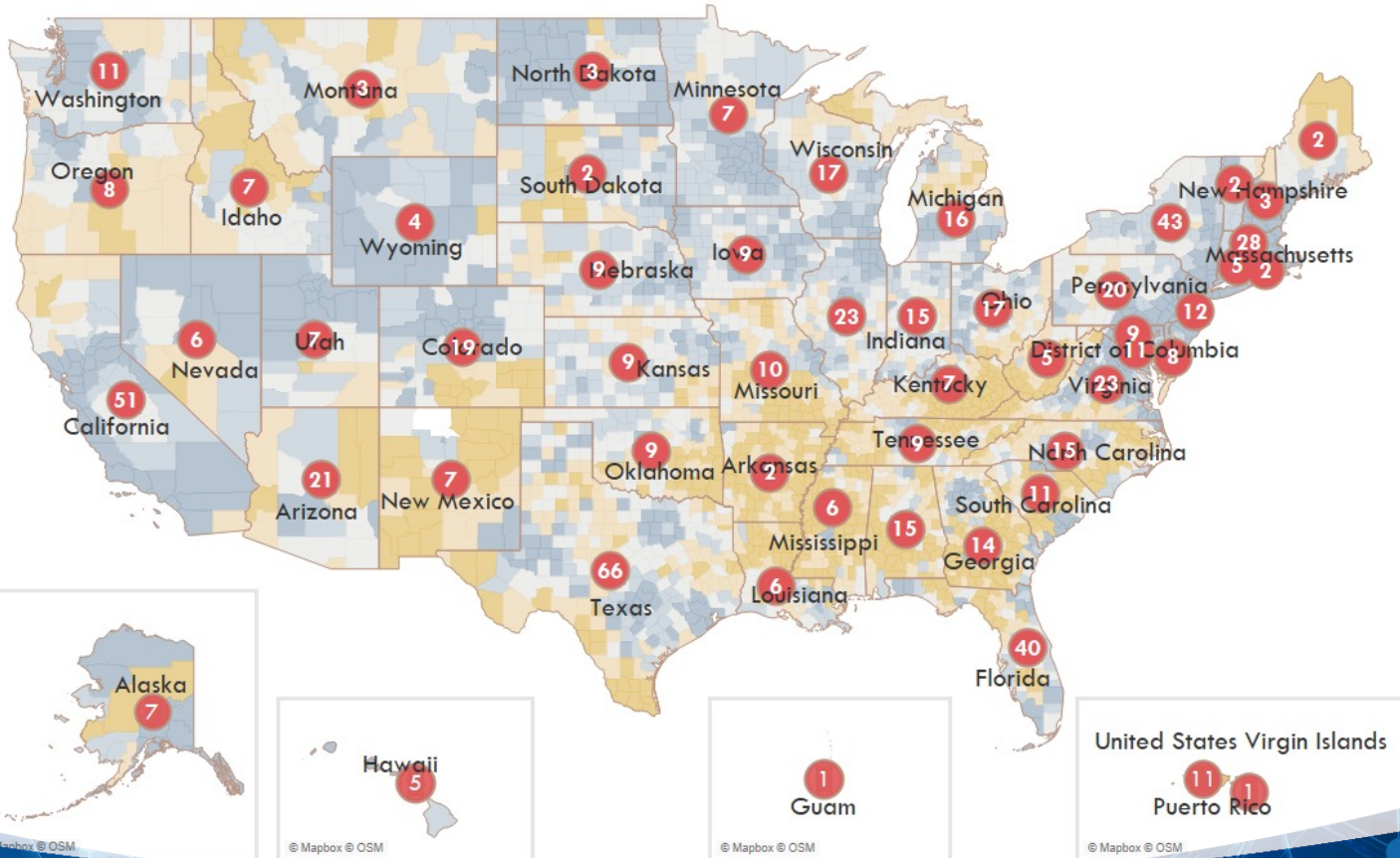
Search by Theme (and more) [↗](#) Search By State [↗](#) **Overview**

Map View of Submissions by Lead Organization State [?](#)

By Organization State

By Lead Organization

By Region of Service



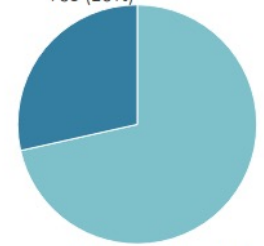
Concept Outline Submission Metrics

Number of Submissions Advancing **679**

Number of Distinct Submitting Organizations **518**

States and US Territories Submitting **54**

NSF Engines Type-2 Proposal
935 (28%)



NSF Engines Type-1 Proposal
2,346 (72%)

To access the full list of all accepted concept outlines, please check out <https://airtable.com/shr0811332401881604>





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- NSF Engines Type All
 - State Name All
 - Submission Organization All
 - Submission ID All
 - Keywords (free text) All
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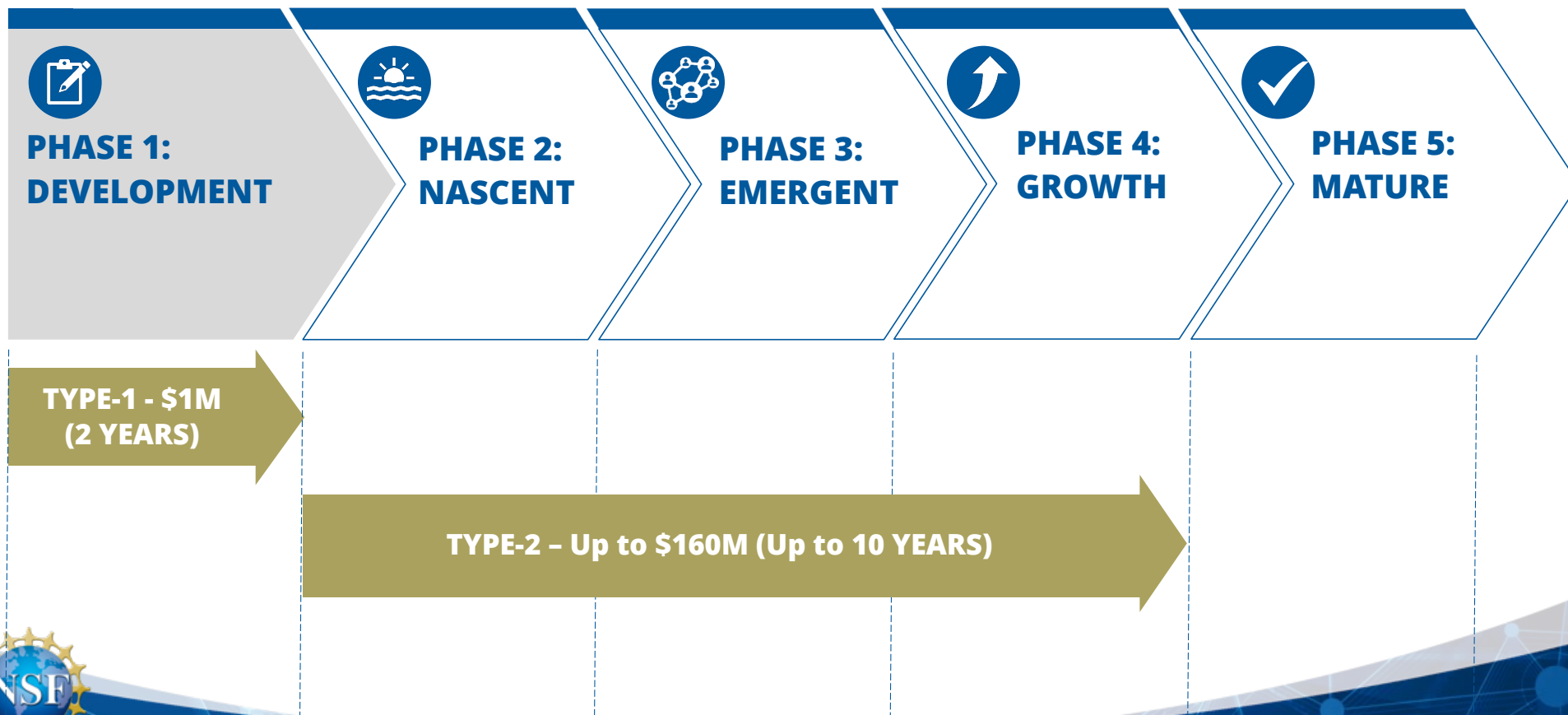


Number of Submissions: 679

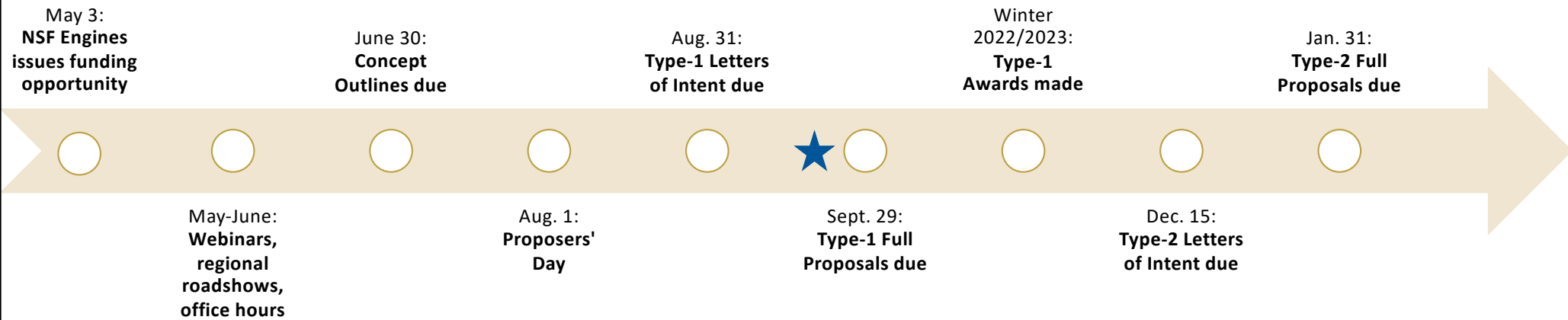
ID	NSF Engines Type	Submission Title	Organization Name	Last Name	Region Of Service	States	Topic Summary	Keywords	
INQ-22-00640	Type 1 Proposal	Bridging the Gap in the Digi..	XLerateHealth	Willmot	The region of service..	KY,WV,SC..	The Engine proposes to ca..	virtual care,digital health,access,equity,southeast	✉
INQ-22-00925	Type 1 Proposal	Carbon-negative cementitiou..	Worcester Polytechnic Ins..	Eggleston	New England	MA	The Engine proposes to cr..	carbon negative,construction material,polysiloxanes,additive manufacturing,in..	✉
INQ-22-00907	Type 1 Proposal	NSF Engines: Type-1: A Ga..	Worcester Polytechnic Ins..	Smith	Southern New Engla..	MA,RI,CT	The Engine proposes the i..	Null	✉
INQ-22-00636	Type 1 Proposal	ICoN: Integrative Connectiv..	Worcester Polytechnic Ins..	Wyglinski	New England (CT, M..	CT,MA,ME,..	The Engine proposes to o..	connectivity,integrative,new england,wireless,workforce development	✉
INQ-22-00491	Type 1 Proposal	NSF Engines: Type-1: WPI – ..	Worcester Polytechnic Ins..	Woolridge	Central MA, the sout..	MA	The engine proposes to w..	biotech manufacturing,tech workforce development,biomedical ecosystem,bio..	✉
INQ-22-01119	Type 1 Proposal	A statewide innovation engin..	WiSys	Sanga	WI	WI	The Engine proposes to w..	agriculture,sustainability,technology,commercialization,startup	✉
INQ-22-00444	Type 2 Proposal	NSF Engines: Type-2: Advan..	Wichita State University	Tomblin	Kansas with a focus ..	KS	The Engine proposes to e..	artificial intelligence,machine learning,hypersonics,lightning	✉
INQ-22-00457	Type 1 Proposal	NSF Engines: Type-1: West ..	Western Michigan Univer..	Atilhan	Western Michigan	MI	The Engine proposes to w..	per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances,pfas,wastewater,environment,remediation	✉
INQ-22-00772	Type 1 Proposal	"AI3 West Living Laboratory..	Western Maricopa Coalit..	Hoffman	The Greater Phoenix..	AZ	The Engine proposes to le..	artificial intelligence,robotics,cognitive applications,health technology,fintech	✉
INQ-22-00772	Type 2 Proposal	NSF Engines: Type-2: Using ..	Western Kentucky Univer..	Brown	South, the Midwest, ..	KY	The Engine proposes lever..	aiot,agritech,commercialization,urban economic development	✉
INQ-22-00772	Type 2 Proposal	NSF Engines: Type 2: Resear..	Western Fire Chiefs Asso..	Van Ballego..	Western United Stat..	CA,CO,W..	The Engine proposes to bu..	wildland fire,wildland fire urban inte	✉
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NSF Engines: Accepting two proposal types



NSF Engines: Timeline and status



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Regional Technology Hubs

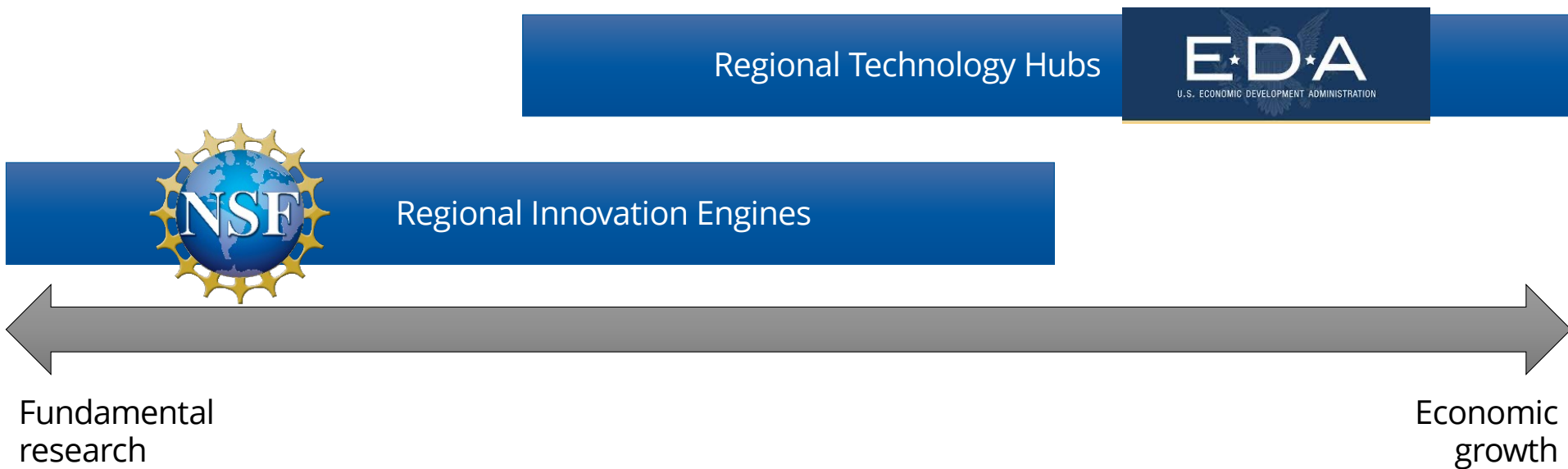


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NSF and EDA are working together

Regional Innovation Engines

- Start at the fundamental research and R&D layer
- Piping into existing economic growth structures
- Create research and translation spine for regions
- Broaden participating by URM populations in STEM
- Multiple entry points and different stages of development
- 8-10 years, up to \$160M per Engine

Place-based

Long-term investments

Economic growth, tech focus

Connective tissue for innovation ecosystem

Public and private partnerships

Regional Tech Hubs

- Build on a region's now and future economic drivers
- Later-stage technology development & demonstration
- Scale up capacity to deploy breakthrough technologies
- Create physical, human, and systems infrastructure
- Lead tech-/industry-aware workforce development initiatives
- Designation, planning, and implementation for hubs



NSF programs power breakthroughs



Public Funds

TIP bridges the gap

RAMP OF OPPORTUNITY

Valley of Death



Private Funds

LAB

SOCIETY

Foundational Research

Use-Inspired Research

Proofs-of-Concept

Prototype Development

Product/Solution Development

National and Societal Impact, Commercialization

TIP Technology, Innovation and Partnerships

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