Sponsored Projects Administration has created the attached chart to help you navigate the myriad of proposal deadline changes caused by the government shutdown, including a list of when proposals will be due to SPA. The list currently includes NIH and NSF proposal deadline changes. Please see the SPA Shutdown website for any future updates to this chart.

For those of you who have read NIH's most recent guide notice, NOT-OD-014-003 [superceded by NOT-OD-014-007], you may have noticed the following:

**Opportunity to “Refresh” Applications that are Reassigned to May 2014 Council**

Applicants whose review meetings are rescheduled and whose applications are reassigned to the May 2014 Council and will be notified via email to the principal investigator and the signing official listed on the grant application. In addition, meeting dates listed in the eRA Commons for these applications will be changed to 09/09/9999 so they can be identified.

Applications will proceed to the February/March 2014 review without any action from the applicant. However, NIH is giving applicants the option of withdrawing and submitting a refreshed application. If you choose to replace your application, follow the steps below carefully:

- **Withdraw** the existing application by November 8th. (Note: this happens via a memo from the PI/SPA to NIH; contact SPA for details.)
- Submit the application to the original funding opportunity announcement (FOA), if possible. If that FOA has closed, submit to the appropriate parent announcement. If there is no parent announcement for that activity code, send an e-mail to grantsinfo@od.nih.gov with the previous FOA number and we will work with you to get the application submitted.
- Submit a cover letter with the refreshed application. Indicate that you are refreshing your application for the new council round, include the previous application number, and provide the previous study section assignment.
- Make the application a “new” or “resubmission” to match the withdrawn application.
- All replacement applications are due by November 20th. December 11th. No late applications will be allowed for this special due date.
- Only applicants who are rescheduled for May 2014 Council round may submit at the November 20th deadline. Any other applications to this deadline will be returned without review.

**Please Note:** This situation is NOT the same as having an October proposal deadline moved to November. The option and the instructions listed in blue above are limited to investigators who have been notified by NIH that their previously-submitted proposal has been reassigned to the May 2014 Council meeting. NIH expects to send out such notifications during the week of November 4th. Based on the latest information from NIH, it appears that this may occur only infrequently. Proposals moved to the May 2014 Council date will necessarily have start dates of 7/1/14 or later. This means that the costs and preferred start date will need to be edited as well as any changes to the scientific narrative the PI wishes to make.

Please let SPA know if you have any questions.