

### **A-133 Single Audit Reports:**

As a reminder, Grants Specialists are to assist their ADODRs in searching for and reviewing A-133 Single Audit reports, ideally before the agreement is awarded. Check the Federal Audit Clearinghouse website for a recipient's most recent report. Search by APHIS CFDA number and look at the findings. Bring anything of concern to the ADODRs attention. Also, put a note in ezFedGrants that the report was checked and if there were findings of concern or not.

### **System for Award Management (SAM) Assurances:**

In the Federal Register there is currently a notice for comment on requiring recipients to complete government-wide certifications and representations for Federal Financial Assistance in their SAM record. When enacted, this will replace the SF-424B. ASC will notify the Agreements Community once this is implemented.

### **Data Act Reporting:**

See attached. An 11<sup>th</sup> slide was added to the deck of authoritative sources for pinpointing locality data. A PDF printout for Country Codes (this might be useful for international agreements) was also added and is attached at the top of this email.

Although some of the Data Act (FFATA) fields in the eFG agreement screen do not have a red asterisks, you will find they are still required.

APHIS is working on correcting the drop down lists for several fields in the Data Act (FFATA) section to accurately reflect all of the Programs. Once that is accomplished, ASC will disseminate guidance to the agreements community on what options to choose from those drop down lists.

Unfortunately, the Congressional District is not being pulled in from the PEGA portal from the application data. We are currently not able to ask for these types of enhancements due to the PEGA upgrade that will be happening in late Spring of 2019.

### **International Agreement Routing:**

Upper management will decide on a system to be put into place for the routing of international agreements before they reach the IS Deputy Administrator, and an announcement will be made from Theresa Braddock to the ASC staff once a decision has been made.

### **Training:**

Please make sure the Federal Appropriations Law training is on your radar to complete in AgLearn. We do not believe it will be automatically brought into your required training so you will likely need to go search for it."