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Dear Colleague Letter: Delay in Issuance of Revised Program Solicitations for CEDAR, GEM, and SHINE

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Dear Colleagues:

On July 3, 2017 the Division Atmospheric and Geospace Sciences (AGS) released a Dear Colleague Letter ([NSF 17-109](#)) announcing our intention to eliminate deadlines for three program solicitations in the Geospace Section – Coupling, Energetics, and Dynamics of Atmospheric Regions (CEDAR), Geospace Environment Modeling (GEM), and Solar, Heliospheric, and INterplanetary Environment (SHINE). During the revision process we determined that additional modifications to the solicitations are required and want to inform the community that the anticipated release date for the revised CEDAR and GEM solicitations is March 1, 2018. We do not plan to release a solicitation for the SHINE program during fiscal year 2018. Investigators who are planning to submit a proposal to one of these solicitations before this anticipated release date are welcome to submit to the respective [Solar Terrestrial, Aeronomy](#), and [Magnetospheric Physics](#) core programs. The Geospace Section remains committed to supporting the science objectives of the CEDAR, GEM, and SHINE programs.

We will continue to use a combination of ad hoc reviews and panel input to assess the intellectual merit and broader impacts of submitted proposals. Supplements, EAGERs, and RAPIDs will continue to be entertained anytime following communication with the appropriate Program Director as indicated in the NSF Proposal & Award Policies & Procedures Guide ([PAPPG](#)). Investigators with additional questions or concerns are encouraged to contact their program officer or the head of the Geospace Section.

Sincerely,
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