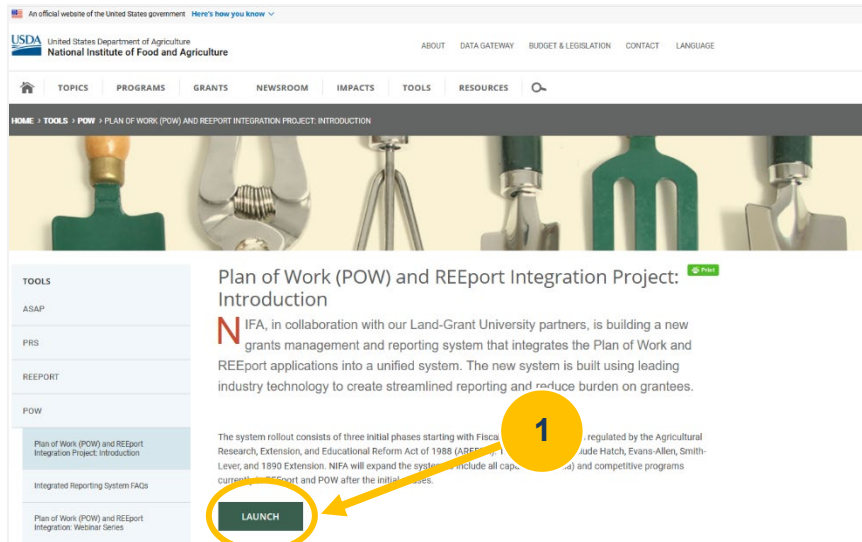


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Overview

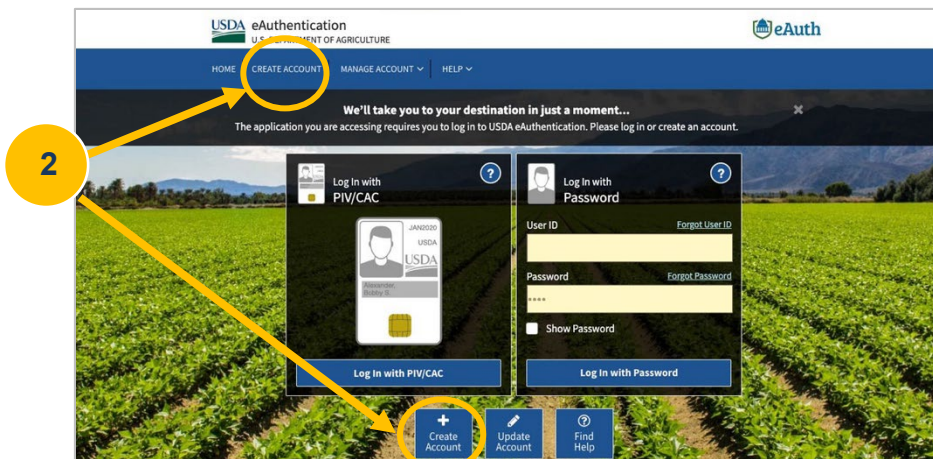
All users of the new NIFA Reporting System will need to complete registration which requires creating an eAuthentication (eAuth) account with identity verification. You will then need to visit the welcome page and request a role from your Organizational Administrator.

- (1) Go to the NIFA Reporting System launch page → Click <http://go.usa.gov/xG8xE>. Then click **LAUNCH**.



- (2) Create new or update existing account:

FOR NEW ACCOUNTS: If you do not have an eAuthentication Account, Click **Create Account** to set up your eAuthentication account.



For Existing Account Holders: If you already have an eAuthentication Account, please skip to Step (10) and make sure you can still log in. If you have not completed the online 5-question Identity Verification Quiz or verified your identity in person by choosing to visit a USDA Service Center for in-person identity verification, proceed to Step (11) where you will see a link to “Verify My Identity.” If you do not see the “Verify My Identity” link, then you are all set and should await instructions for the launch of the new application.

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(3) Select **Customer** and click **Continue**.

(4) Enter your email address and click **Submit**. Please ensure your information is correct as incorrect details may prevent you from activating your account and/or verifying your identity.

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(5) You will receive a Registration email used to complete the account creation process. **If you do not receive the email**, please click **Resend Email**.

(6) Open the Registration email.

(7) Click **Continue Registration**.

The image displays two screenshots related to the USDA eAuthentication registration process. The left screenshot shows the USDA eAuthentication website with a 'Registration Email Sent' notification. It includes a yellow circle with the number 5 next to the 'Resend Email' button. The right screenshot shows an email titled 'Complete Account Registration' from eAuth. It contains instructions to click the 'Continue Registration' button, which is circled in yellow and labeled with a yellow circle containing the number 7. An arrow points from the 'Continue Registration' button in the email to the 'Continue Registration' button on the website.

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(8) Enter your complete name as it appears on a government-issued photo ID. Set your **Password** and click **Submit**.

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Customer Account Registration

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Please provide the information requested below to complete the registration of your account.
Please enter your complete name as provided on a government issued photo ID (no nicknames).

First name
Middle name (optional)
Last name
Suffix (optional)

Your User ID Is Your Email Address
User ID: corbett_aaron@bah.com

Please set your password
Password must be at least 12 characters long and cannot be a commonly used password.

Password
☐ Show Password

Submit

(9) Registration portion is now complete. Click **Log in**. You will be prompted to complete identity verification after you log in **(11)**.

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Customer Account Registration

Account Registration Complete

You have completed the account registration process and your account is ready for use.
We have sent a confirmation email for your records.
Your User ID is: [redacted]

Log in to your application

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(10) Enter your eAuthentication **User ID and Password**. Click **Log in with Password**.

The screenshot shows the USDA eAuthentication login interface. At the top, there's a navigation bar with 'HOME', 'CREATE ACCOUNT', 'MANAGE ACCOUNT', and 'HELP'. Below this, a message states: 'We'll take you to your destination in just a moment... The application you are accessing requires you to log in to USDA eAuthentication. Please log in or create an account.' The main content area features two login panels. The 'Log In with Password' panel is highlighted with a yellow box and a yellow circle containing the number '10'. This panel includes fields for 'User ID' and 'Password', both highlighted with yellow boxes. There are also links for 'Forgot User ID' and 'Forgot Password'. A 'Show Password' checkbox is present. Below the login panels are buttons for 'Create Account', 'Update Account', and 'Find Help'.

Note: If you navigate away from Log in step or return at a later time, you may need to click **Manage Account** on the Menu Bar and select **Update Account** from the dropdown menu.

This screenshot shows the 'MANAGE ACCOUNT' dropdown menu. The menu is open, displaying the following options: 'Update Account' (highlighted), 'Change Password', 'Forgot Password', and 'Forgot User ID'.

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(11) Choose **Verify My Identity** from your profile, off to the right side.

Online Identity Verification requires you to correctly answer a series of questions about your background and personal identity, such as previous addresses, relatives' names, former names, schools you attended, etc. If you are unable to answer enough questions correctly, or you do not feel comfortable using the Online Identity Verification tool, **you must use the In-Person Identity Verification option**. In-Person Identity Verification requires you to visit a USDA Service Center and present your government-issued photo ID to a Local Registration Authority (LRA). The address on the photo ID you use to verify your identity must match the address you used when you registered your account.

Note: If you do not see the “Verify My Identity” link, then you have already verified your identity. Please await instructions for the launch of the new application.

An official website of the United States government [Here's how you know](#)

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Account Information ?

[Continue to Application](#) [Logout](#)

Login Information

i Your User ID is corbett_aaron@bah.com

Email address: [redacted] [✉](#)

Password: **** [✉](#)

11 → [Verify My Identity ?](#)

Personal Information

[Edit](#)

Name: [redacted]

Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA)

PIV/CAC Linking: Not linked ? [Link PIV/CAC](#)

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(12) The Verify Identity page requires you to choose your identity method. We recommend selecting **Verify my identity** online and click **Continue**. You may also choose to visit a USDA Service Center for in-person identity verification, at which point your account registration will be incomplete until you complete the in-person identity verification.

(13) After selecting the **Verify my identity online (recommended)** option, click **I Agree** to the Terms of Service.

Please note: The verification service DOES NOT run a credit report or affect your credit score. Information from your credit history is used to generate the questions, but this information IS NOT retained by the USDA. Use of the OIV tool DOES NOT impact your credit score or credit eligibility.

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(14) On the **Verify Identity** screen, complete the account profile form below and click **Continue**.

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Verify Identity ?

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Additional Information Required

Please complete the form below and confirm it is correct.
This information must match your government issued photo ID (e.g., Driver's License).

First name

Middle name (optional)

Last name

Suffix (optional)

Home country

United States ▼

Home address

Home city

Home state

▼

Home zip/postal code

Home phone

Date of birth

For example: 04 28 1986

Month

Day

Year

To begin the process, you must enter your complete 9-digit Social Security Number (SSN).

Social Security Number (SSN)

☐ Show SSN

Note: USDA eAuthentication does not retain your Social Security Number. It is only used for the identity verification purposes.

Continue

Note: If you have opted to visit a Local Registration Authority, the social security number field will not be displayed. Instead, you will be redirected to the LRA locator website when clicking Continue.

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(15) Complete the five question **Identity Verification Quiz**.

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Verify Identity ?

Identity Verification Quiz

Question 1 of 5:

Which state is associated with your relative HAZEL?

☐ TEXAS

☐ NEW JERSEY

☐ WEST VIRGINIA

☐ MARYLAND

☐ NONE OF THE ABOVE/DOES NOT APPLY

Next >

(16) Click **Submit** at the bottom of the Question 5 of 5 screen to submit your quiz.

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Verify Identity ?

Identity Verification Quiz

Question 5 of 5:

You may have opened an auto loan or auto lease in or around June 2019. Please select the dollar amount range in which your monthly auto loan or lease payment falls. If you have not had an auto loan or lease with any of these amount ranges now or in the past, please select 'NONE OF THE ABOVE/DOES NOT APPLY'.

☐ \$570 - \$669

☐ \$670 - \$769

☐ \$770 - \$869

☐ \$870 - \$969

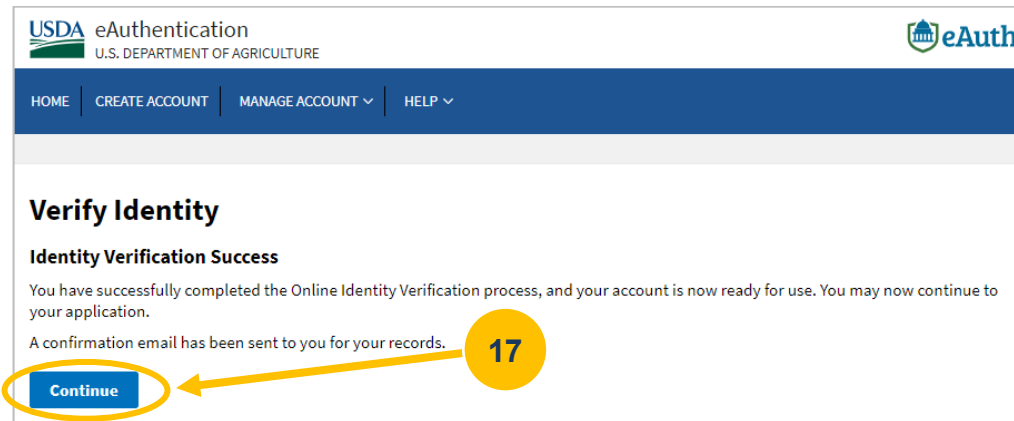
☐ NONE OF THE ABOVE/DOES NOT APPLY

< Previous

Submit

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(17) If you provided enough correct responses to pass the quiz, the Identity Verification Success screen will appear, and you will receive a confirmation email. If you are not able to pass the quiz on the second attempt, you must verify your identity in person by visiting a Local Registration Authority (LRA). Click **Continue**.



(18) Now that you completed the registration process, please contact your Organizational Administrator to **request a role**.



Other Resources

- eAuthentication Account Help:
 - Visit <https://www.eauth.usda.gov/home>, then click “Help” (FAQs, contacts, etc.)
 - Call 1-800-457-3642 select option 1, then select option 4
 - Email eAuthHelpDesk@ftc.usda.gov