Proposal and 2-Minute Video Submission Checklist

The Proposal and 2-Minute Video must be submitted via the online submission form no later than 11:59 PM Eastern on Monday, February 22, 2027. Full details, including formatting requirements, can be found in the 2027 Gateways to Blue Skies Competition Guidelines.

PROPOSAL *To be included in one PDF.*

- ☐ Cover Page
- ☐ Quad Chart (See the Quad Chart Template)
- ☐ Abstract (on its own page)
- ☐ Body (5-7 Pages); address all listed criteria
- ☐ Appendices, if needed

2-MINUTE VIDEO

- ☐ Create and Verify YouTube Account
- ☐ Upload Video (must be horizontal)
- ☐ List Video as "Public" or "Unlisted"

ADDITIONAL REQUIRED ITEMS *To be uploaded separately on the Proposal Submission Form.*

- ☐ 2-3 Sentence Synopsis of Proposed Concept (600-Character Max.)
- ☐ Signed Advisor Attestation & Acceptance of GBS Participation Agreement
- ☐ Signed Foreign National Acknowledgement Form from each FN on team
- ☐ Financial POC Info & Verified Mailing Address
- ☐ Vendor W-9 Form for the Primary Proposing University (Completed by University's Accounting Department)
  - Download, have University Accounting Department complete, and submit this Template Vendor W-9 Form.
  - See Competition Guidelines for additional instructions.

QUESTIONS TO ASK PRIOR TO SUBMITTING

- ☐ Does my team meet all of the eligibility requirements, including having at least 2 students who are U.S. citizens or lawful permanent residents who can attend the Forum if team is selected as a finalist?
- ☐ Does the proposal address all sections listed in the Competition Theme Description & Details?
  - ☐ Proposal describes the infrastructure inspection area, use case, proposed solution, and ConOps.
  - ☐ Proposal describes the innovation and novel aspect of the concept.
  - ☐ Proposal addresses the adoption of proposed concept.
  - ☐ Proposed timeline aligns with the theme timeline, and makes realistic assumptions for proposed advancements in technology readiness levels and adoption timeframes.
- ☐ Does the proposal adhere to format and page count requirements?
- ☐ Are appropriate/needed citations included?
- ☐ Do both the paper and video address feasibility and viability criteria, and thereby create a value proposition for the proposed concept?
- ☐ Does the cover page have all required items?