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RE: Justification for posting the CYBER NOFO for less than 30 days

The Small Business Development Center (SBDC) Program has a statutory requirement to ensure that a percentage of SBDC counselors are trained and certified in cybersecurity and can therefore ensure that more small businesses are trained in cyber principles. The current certification process is funded through September 30, 2026. This Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) is designed to grant one award for a 2-year period to ensure SBA can continue that certification process. This expedited NOFO will allow SBA to implement an award for continuity of meeting this statutory requirement using a portion of the cyber pilot funding that also expires at the end of September.

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