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For Mission Agencies, it is essential that research fits within mission area:

- Review ARO CORE BAA to identify the technical program manager that's most aligned with your proposed research topic
- Once you've identified the appropriate program manager, reach out to them directly to initiate discussions
- Research topic should be determined in advance of whitepaper submission

Finding support for what you want to do:

- Watch for who funds related research
- Participate in conferences and workshops funded by PM and/or agencies
- Consider spending summer in government lab or industry partner

What NOT to Do when looking for support:

- Don't ask program manager what he/she would like you to do
- Don't ask program manager how much funding you should ask for. (He/she will tell you about budget limitations when appropriate)
- Don't ask program manager what he/she is currently funding