Appendix B: Senior Review Generalized Question and Answer Log

*These questions are based on mission questions and are generalized for broader applicability

Q1: What is a Budgetary Prime Mission Objective (PMO)?

If your project has some budget objective, it’s been asked to achieve, that would be the relevant PMO. If you have none then there’s nothing to enter here.

Q2: Is there any flexibility in the categories or subcategories of the Budget Spreadsheet?

Mission unique items should be included in your spreadsheet. If there are no values for a line item or it does not fit your missions, then enter zeros.

Q3: Can we provide brief notes in the budget spreadsheet to define some of the subcategories?

Yes

Q4: Budget Spreadsheet: What are the expectations and level of detail required?

The detail should be sufficient in order to provide reviewers with an understanding of how funding is broken down for the overall mission, reviewers may ask for additional detail.

Q5: Do missions with General Observer (GO) programs need to include separate budgets for science analysis?

Science Data and Analysis costs above and beyond the GO program should be separate.

Q6: Where should science and public outreach be captured?

This should be a separate line item in the project management section.

Q7: How detailed should the Project Data Management Plan be in regards to and compliance with the SMD science information policy?

It should be sufficient to demonstrate compliance including explanations of any exceptions or exemptions.

Q8: What is expected for the Diversity and Inclusion plan?

Diversity and Inclusion plans should be appropriate for mission size. Efforts to achieve measurable, sustainable progress in NASA IDEA goals may be proposed as trades within existing budgets or as part of any overguide requests.