



This webinar is on the use of the eForms site for Single Family Housing (SFH) Direct Section 502 and 504 applications.

eForms

- eForms allows applicants, loan application packagers, self help grantees, and others to submit applications electronically.
- Applications that are “accepted” in eForms upload into UniFi automatically where they can be ‘parsed’ for further processing.
- Section 502 Direct and Section 504 Direct Applications are accepted via eForms.
- Intermediaries and state approved opt-out packagers under the certified loan application packaging process are required to submit applications via eForms.

eForms allows applicants and individuals working on behalf of the applicant to search for and complete forms requesting services from Rural Development (RD). With the eForms site, users can electronically submit a direct loan application package including all items needed by the Agency to determine applicant eligibility for either the 502 or 504 program. Using eForms is beneficial to both the submitter and the Agency.

For the submitter, eForms provides a convenient and secured way to submit a loan application package to the Agency that contains all the required documents.

For the Agency, eForms streamlines the application process and reduces paper consumption.

Intermediaries and certified state approved opt-out packagers are required to submit applications through eForms. eForms usage is encouraged for other groups like non-certified packagers, self-help grantees, applicants, and others.

Resources

- User Guide available on SharePoint (RD Staff Only)
- Training Video with Handouts and User Guide
 - Single Family Housing Direct Home Loan website
 - Direct Loan Application Packagers website
- RD Help Desk
 - 1-800-457-3642, select USDA applications (2), Rural Development (2)
 - RD.HD@USDA.GOV

The User Guide is available on the Direct SharePoint site under Certified Packaging-eForms for RD staff.

The User Guide and Training Video with Handouts can be found on the Single Family Housing Direct Home Loan website (“To Apply” tab) (<https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/single-family-housing-direct-home-loans>) and the Direct Loan Application Packagers website (Trainings/Webinars Section) (<https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/services/direct-loan-application-packagers>). The links are available in the training notes.

Users that encounter technical problems should direct questions to the RD helpdesk.

The 3 major steps of eForms

1. Submit a Package
2. Agency Review
3. Import into UniFi

eForms is an easy process with three major steps including Submit a Package, Agency Review, and Import into UniFi.

Step 1: Submit a Package

eForms – Login.gov Account

To submit loan application packages via eForms, users must:

- Obtain Login.gov ID
- The eForms [User Guide](#) provides guidance on creating a Login.gov account

To apply in eForms, the user must obtain a Login.gov account. Login.gov accounts are based on an individual, not an organization; therefore, each staff member that will be submitting packages through eForms for the intermediary, certified and non-certified packager, and self-help grantee will need a Login.gov account.

An applicant submitting a package directly through eForms (who isn't working with a packager) must obtain a Login.gov account. If the applicant's loan closes, this Login.gov account can later be used to make mortgage payments online.

The eForms Quick Reference Guide in the Standardized Application Package provides step by step guidance on obtaining Login.gov account for submitting a package using eForms.

Submit a Package

- Navigate to the eForms website and login:
<https://forms.sc.egov.usda.gov/eForms/welcomeAction.do?Home>
- Browse forms from the menu options and search Form Number 410-4
- Export and import completed Form RD 410-4 OR Select "Upload 1003 Form"
- Name the package and select the county/RD office combination
- Attach required documents for a complete application (Attachment 3-J or 12-E)
Packagers:
 - Include items listed in Attachment 3-A
 - Follow the Stacking Order Checklist
- Submit the Package

The submitter, including applicants and packagers, follow these steps:

Navigate to the eForms website and login with the Login.gov ID and password.

Browse the forms to locate Form RD 410-4.

Complete Form RD 410-4. Options discussed on a later slide.

The user names the package and selects the county/RD office combination that will receive the application.

They attach documents required for a complete application based on Handbook-1-3550, Attachment 3-J or 12-E. Packagers must also include items outlined in Attachment 3-A and follow the Stacking Order Checklist.

Lastly, they click submit and receive a confirmation number.

The following slides provide more details on this process.

Login to eForms:
<https://forms.sc.egov.usda.gov/eForms/welcomeAction.do?Home>

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Welcome to the USDA Service Center Agencies eForms.

eForms allows you to search for and complete forms requesting services from Farm Service Agency (FSA), Natural Conservation Service (NRCS), and Rural Development (RD). There are 2 ways to use the eForms site.

- You can click the Browse Forms menu option on the left of the page and search for your form. You can complete the form, print it out and either mail or fax the form to your local service center. A user ID and password is not required.

OR

- You can complete the forms online and submit the forms electronically to your local service center. You will be able to save the forms to use again and you can package multiple forms together to submit all at one time. You will need to obtain a USDA eAuthentication ID and Password with a verified identity, which you can do by registering below. Once your account is created, follow the process to verify your identity.

If you already have a USDA eAuthentication ID and Password with a verified identity, you can Login below.

[Login](#) [Register](#)

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The submitter will login to eForms using the Login.gov ID and password.

Browse for Form RD 410-4

The image displays two screenshots of the USDA Service Center Agencies eForms website. The left screenshot shows the home page with a blue arrow pointing to the 'Browse Forms' link in the left sidebar. The right screenshot shows the 'Browse Forms' search page with a blue arrow pointing to the 'Search' button. The search page includes a sidebar with navigation options and a main search area with the following fields:

- Agency Name: All
- Program Name: All
- Service Name: All
- Form Number: 410-4
- Title or Keywords: (empty)
- Show Results: 10 Per Page

The 'Search' button is highlighted with a blue arrow.

Click Browse Forms, enter 410-4 in the Form Number, and click Search.

Form RD 410-4, Uniform Residential Loan Application

- There are two ways to complete Form RD 410-4:
 - Import the industry standard Form 1003 (intermediaries only),
 - Export the 410-4, complete offline, and then import the completed form into eForms.

*Always make sure the instruction icon appears next to the 410-4 being submitted!

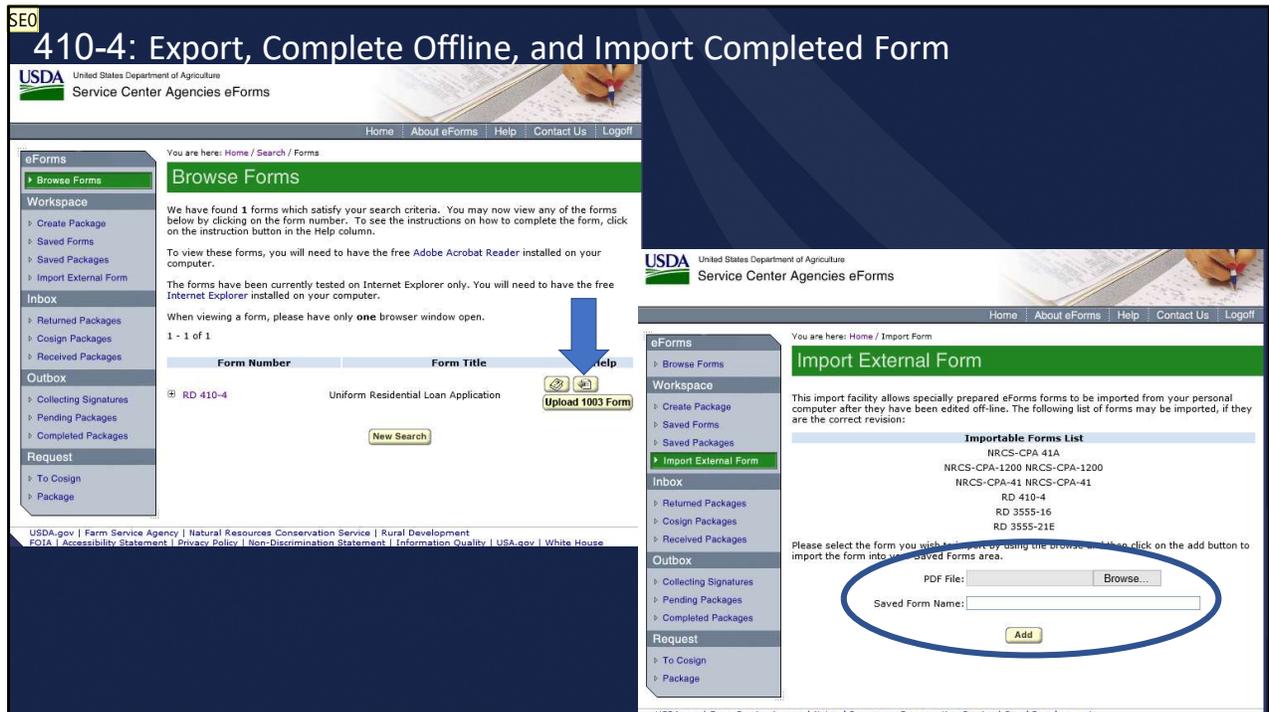


There are two ways to complete Form RD 410-4:

1. Import the industry standard Form 1003; this is only available to intermediaries that have a system prefigured to “talk” with the eForms site. This option is not typical and is never used by applicants.
2. Export the 410-4, complete offline, and then import the completed form into eForms.

The Form RD 410-4 in eForms must be used to submit an application. Always make sure the instruction icon, as shown, appears next to the 410-4 being submitted. Submitting an incorrect version or multiple versions of the 410-4 will result in errors within eForms and cause delays in processing the application. The 410-4 in the Standardized Application Package cannot be imported into eForms, applicants must use the version available in eForms only. If the icon does not appear next to the 410-4 form, the Agency will not be able to process the package within eForms.

The applicant or packager should not add comments in the application data fields, such as 'not working' or 'not applicable', or use symbols and punctuation, as these will cause issues.



To complete the 410-4 offline, the submitter will click “Export Form for Offline Completion”. The form is saved to the desired location on their computer where the submitter can complete the form at their convenience.

When the application is ready for submission, the submitter will login to eForms. Select “Import External Form”, click on Browse to locate and select the saved 410-4 pdf, enter the Saved Form Name, and click “Add.”

The form is added to the Saved Forms in eForms.

410-4: Export, Complete Offline, and Import Completed Form Create a Package

Create a Custom Package

The screenshot shows the 'Create Package' interface. The breadcrumb path is 'Home / Create Package'. The main heading is 'Create Package'. Below the heading, there is a question: 'What kind of package would you like to create?'. Two options are provided: 'Custom Package' and 'Service Package'. The 'Custom Package' button is highlighted with a blue arrow.

Select the imported 410-4

The screenshot shows the 'Create Package' interface with the 'Custom Package' option selected. The breadcrumb path is 'Home / Create Package / Custom Package'. The main heading is 'Create Package'. Below the heading, there is a message: 'Please select the forms by checking the box next to the form name to be included in the package. Including forms in a package and submitting it to a service center will not remove it from your Saved Forms folder.' Below this message is a table with columns: 'Add To Package', 'Name', 'Status', 'Last Saved', and 'Actions'. The table contains one row with the following data:

Add To Package	Name	Status	Last Saved	Actions
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Doe, John	Active	08/03/2020	Continue Cancel

 A blue arrow points to the 'Add To Package' checkbox.

Enter a Package Name & Create the Package

The screenshot shows the 'Create Package' interface with the 'Custom Package' option selected. The breadcrumb path is 'Home / Create Package / Custom Package / Name Package'. The main heading is 'Create Package'. Below the heading, there is a message: 'Please enter a unique name for this package.' Below this message is a text input field labeled 'Package Name:'. Below the text input field is a dropdown menu labeled 'USDA Receiving Agency:' with 'Rural Development' selected. Below the dropdown menu is a 'Create Package' button.

Next the submitter clicks “Create Package” and Selects “Custom Package.” A list of all saved forms is displayed. The submitter will choose the desired uploaded 410-4 that was uploaded by checking the “Add to Package” checkbox and clicking “Continue.”

The next screen requires the Package Name and the USDA Receiving Agency should prefill with Rural Development. The package name should not contain special characters. Please note, the package name is only seen by the submitter but can be used by packagers to distinguish between applicants’ packages within the Saved Packages workspace. The submitter clicks “Create Package.”

The package is moved to Saved Packages.

410-4: Export, Complete Offline, and Import Completed Form Saved Packages

The screenshot shows the USDA Service Center Agencies eForms interface. The page title is "Saved Packages". Below the title, there is a table with the following data:

Name	Last Updated	Agency	Actions
Doe, John	08/03/2020	RD	 

A blue arrow points to the submit icon in the Actions column for the package "Doe, John".

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In Saved Packages, click the submit icon under the Actions column.

The next steps require the submitter to select a RD office to receive the package.

Select the State, County, RD Office

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You are here: Home / Saved Packages / State

Saved Packages

Please click on a previously selected service center or use the map to select a new service center: [Text Version](#)

Name	Address	Action
BRANDON SERVICE CENTER	300 COMMUNITY WAY BRANDON NC, 30642-2573	Select Map
KNOXVILLE SERVICE CENTER	4730 NEW HARVEST LN KNOXVILLE TN, 37918-7000	Select Map

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You are here: Home / Saved Packages / State

Saved Packages

Please click the state from which you wish to select the service center to submit your package: [Map Version](#)

Alabama	Maryland	South Carolina
Alaska	Massachusetts	South Dakota
Arizona	Michigan	Tennessee
Arkansas	Minnesota	Texas
California	Mississippi	Utah
Colorado	Missouri	Vermont
Connecticut	Montana	Virginia
Delaware	Nebraska	Washington
District of Columbia	Nevada	West Virginia
Florida	New Hampshire	Wisconsin
Georgia	New Jersey	Wyoming
Hawaii	New Mexico	American Samoa
Idaho	New York	Federated States of Micronesia
Illinois	North Carolina	Guam
Indiana	North Dakota	Marshall Islands
Iowa	Ohio	Northern Mariana Islands
Kansas	Oklahoma	Palau
Kentucky	Oregon	Puerto Rico
Louisiana	Pennsylvania	Virgin Islands of the U.S.
Maine	Rhode Island	

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Intermediaries, certified and non-certified packagers, and self-help grantees should contact the State Office or eForms State Point of Contact before submitting a package in order to submit to the correct intake office. If the packager is selecting the wrong intake office, please have the State Office or eForms State Point of Contact communicate with them regarding the process.

eForms will still provide submitters with all site locations; therefore, some applications could be submitted to the incorrect office for intake. These packages must be redirected by RD staff to the correct intake office within eForms; redirecting is discussed in this presentation in Step 2: Agency Review.

When selecting an RD Service Center, the submitter can make a selection by clicking a specific area on the map or they can select text version (which is located in the upper right corner) to select an area through the text list of the map. For intermediaries or packagers that have submitted application packages in the past, a list of previously selected RD Service Centers appear above the map for quick selection. The text version is recommended since it simplifies the process. By selecting Text Version, a list of states in alphabetical order is displayed. The submitter will click on the desired state.

Select the State, County, RD Office Continued

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You are here: Home / Saved Packages / State / County

Saved Packages

You have chosen **Iowa**. Please click the county from which you wish to select the service center to submit your package:

ADAIR	DAVIS	JEFFERSON	POCAHONTAS
ADAMS	DECATUR	JOHNSON	POLK
ALLAMAKEE	DELAWARE	JONES	POTTAWATTAMIE
APPANOOSE	DES MOINES	KEOKUK	POWESHIEK
AUDUBON	DICKINSON	KOSSUTH	RINGGOLD
BENTON	DUBUQUE	LEE	SAC
BLACK HAWK	EMMET	LINN	SCOTT
BOONE	FAYETTE	LOUISA	SHELBY
BREMER	FLOYD	LUCAS	SIOUX
BUCHANAN	FRANKLIN	LYON	STORY
BUENA VISTA	FREMONT	MADISON	TAMA
BUTLER	GREENE	MAHASKA	TAYLOR
CALHOUN	GRUNDY	MARION	UNION
CARROLL	GUTHRIE	MARSHALL	VAN BUREN
CASS	HAMILTON	MILLS	WAFELLO
CEDAR	HANCOCK	MITCHELL	WARREN
CERRO GORDO	HARDIN	MONONA	WASHINGTON
CHEROKEE	HARRISON	MONROE	WAYNE
CHICKASAW	HENRY	MONTGOMERY	WEBSTER
CLARKE	HOWARD	MUSCATINE	WINNEBAGO
CLAY	HUMBOLDT	O BRIEN	WINNEBIEK
CLAYTON	IDA	OSCEOLA	WOODBURY
CLINTON	IOWA	PAGE	WORTH
CRAWFORD	JACKSON	PALO ALTO	WRIGHT
DALLAS	JASPER	PLYMOUTH	

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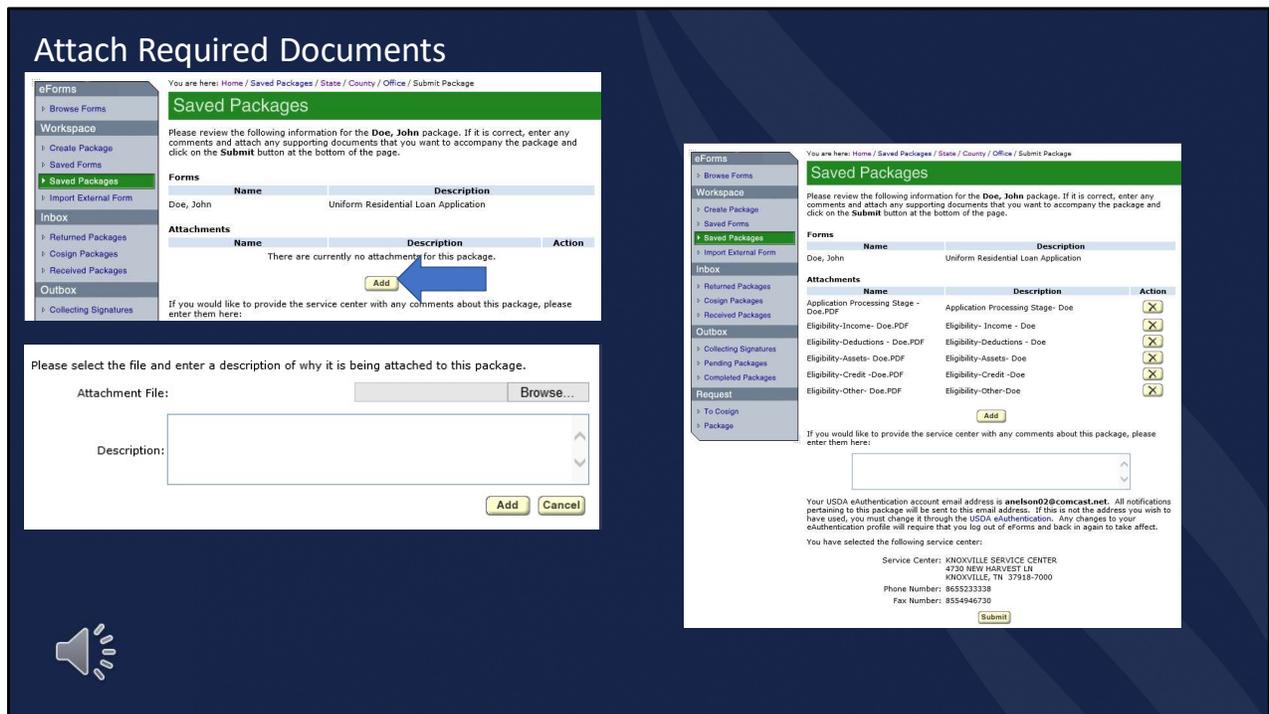
Saved Packages

You have chosen **POLK county in Iowa**. Please select one of the following service center offices:

Name	Address	Action
IOWA NRCS/RD STATE OFFICE	210 WALNUT ST RM 693 DES MOINES IA, 50309-2119	Select Map
INDIANOLA SERVICE CENTER	909 E 2ND AVE INDIANOLA IA, 50125-2892	Select Map
RD SOLUTIONS DELIVERY DIVISION - CONTRACTOR, BUSINESS CENTER	1156 28TH STREET WEST DES MOINES IA, 50266	Select Map

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Selecting the state produces a list of counties or parishes in alphabetical order. The submitter selects the desired county or parish. A list of offices is displayed for the submitter to make the office selection.



Next, the submitter will attach documents required in the Attachment 3-J for Section 502 or Attachment 12-E for Section 504. Intermediaries, packagers, and self-help grantees will attach additional information in accordance with the Phase 1 cover letter in Attachment 3-A. Keep in mind, eForms is only used for Phase 1 application submittal; Phase 2, property submittal is transmitted through email.

Intermediaries, certified and non-certified packagers, and self-help grantees should attach the additional documents required for a complete application in the approved stacking order as outlined in the Agency’s Stacking Order Checklist located on the Direct Loan Application Packagers website (<https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/services/direct-loan-application-packagers>). Intermediaries and certified state approved opt-out packagers are required to follow the Stacking Order Checklist. It is strongly encouraged for other packagers since it streamlines processing.

To add attachments, the submitter clicks “Add.” On the next screen, they will browse for the desired documents on their computer and enter a description. Clicking the “Add” button, will add the documents under Attachments. The process is repeated until all documents have been attached.

The attachments displayed here are based on the Stacking Order Checklist.

Submit the Package

You are here: Home / Saved Packages / State / County / Office / Submit Package

Saved Packages

Please review the following information for the **Doe, John** package. If it is correct, enter any comments and attach any supporting documents that you want to accompany the package and click on the **Submit** button at the bottom of the page.

Forms	Name	Description
	Doe, John	Uniform Residential Loan Application

Attachments	Name	Description	Action
There are currently no attachments for this package.			
<input type="button" value="Add"/>			

If you would like to provide the service center with any comments about this package, please enter them here:

Your USDA eAuthentication account email address is **anelson02@comcast.net**. All notifications pertaining to this package will be sent to this email address. If this is not the address you wish to have used, you must change it through the USDA eAuthentication. Any changes to your eAuthentication profile will require that you log out of eForms and back in again to take affect.

You have selected the following service center:

Service Center: IOWA NRCS/RD STATE OFFICE
210 WALNUT ST RM 693
DES MOINES, IA 50309-2119
Phone Number: 5152844769

Saved Packages

USDA Submission Confirmation

I understand I am providing all information included on forms and attachments to the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) for review and processing. My statements on any submitted forms and attachments are true, and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief and are made in good faith. I understand that a knowing and willing false statement can be punished by a fine or imprisonment or both. (See Title 18, Section 1001, of the United States Code.)

Are you sure you want to Submit the package?

The submitter clicks “Submit;” a confirmation page appears with the following question, “Are you sure you want to submit the package?” Once submitted, the package cannot be edited unless it is returned by the Agency. If the package is complete and ready for electronic submission, the submitter clicks “Confirm.”

Confirmation

The image shows two overlapping windows. The top window is a dialog box titled "USDA Successful Submission". It contains the following text: "You have completed the submission process for Package [redacted] Shaw. It is now waiting USDA review for further processing. Confirmation Number: 103923-L. Retain this Confirmation Number to reference this package in any future correspondence. You may track the progress of this package in your 'Outbox Packages' folder." There is an "Ok" button at the bottom. The bottom window is an email from "FormsManager@one.usda.gov" with the subject "Forms Package 103923-L [redacted] Submittal". The email body states: "Package 103923-L [redacted] was successfully submitted on Thursday, March 16th, 2017 at 10:09am to: HARRISON SERVICE CENTER, 402 N WALNUT ST STE 127, HARRISON, AR 72601-3621. It is now pending a review for completeness. You will be notified further once this has been done. Please do not respond to this email, as it was automatically generated by the eForms system. eForms Automation".

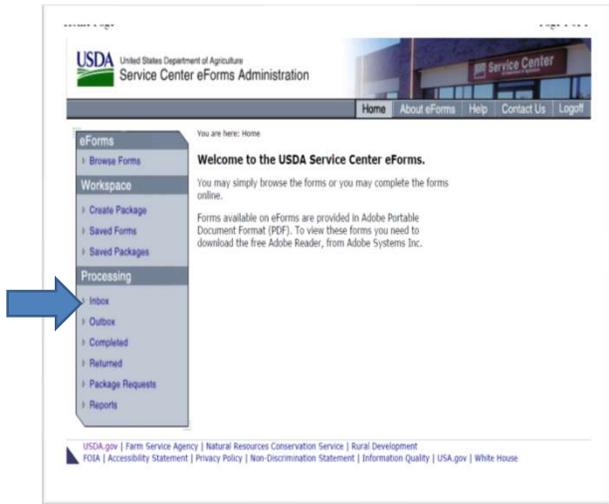
The submitter will receive a confirmation number through the eForms system upon successfully submitting a package. In addition, an automated email containing the confirmation number will be sent to the submitter's email address. The confirmation number should be retained.

Now it's time to talk about Step 2 in the eForms process – the Agency's review.

Step 2: Agency Review

Field Office

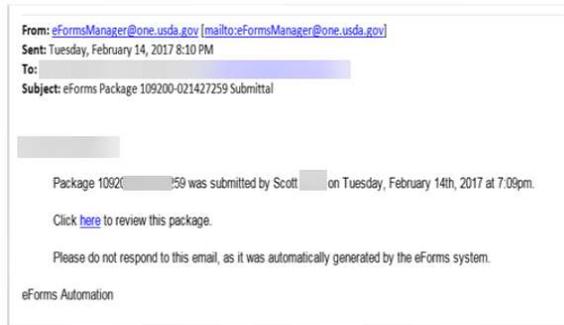
- Receives email notification of package
- Navigate to the eForms website and login
- Go to inbox and identify 'new' packages
- Open the package and review all attached documents
- Accept, Re-direct, or Return the package
- Parse application into UniFi



The Field Office receives an email notification of the package awaiting action by RD. Field Office staff signs into eForms and selects the inbox. Staff identifies new packages to review for completion and takes action to accept, re-direct, or return. Accepted packages are sent to UniFi for parsing.

Email Notifications

Step 1 ends with an email notification to the submitter about a successful eForms submission and Step 2 begins with an email notification to RD about an eForms package submittal.

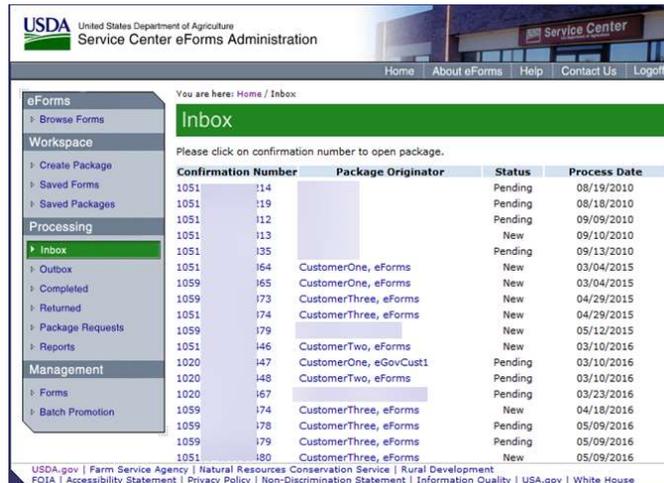


When an application package has been successfully submitted via eForms, the RD Service Center selected by the submitter will receive an automated email notification. The email notification will go to all staff assigned to that location regardless of program or position. Staff in other programs should be notified not to act on SFH packages.

Forwarding the email notification does not give another person access to the package, you must redirect the package within eForms, we will discuss this in more detail later.

Inbox

- New – a submitted package that has not been opened.
- Pending – a submitted package that has been opened without action taken.



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Inbox

Please click on confirmation number to open package.

Confirmation Number	Package Originator	Status	Process Date	
1051	114	Pending	08/19/2010	
1051	119	Pending	08/18/2010	
1051	112	Pending	09/09/2010	
1051	113	New	09/10/2010	
1051	135	Pending	09/13/2010	
1051	164	CustomerOne, eForms	New	03/04/2015
1059	165	CustomerOne, eForms	New	03/04/2015
1059	173	CustomerThree, eForms	New	04/29/2015
1051	174	CustomerThree, eForms	New	04/29/2015
1059	179		New	05/12/2015
1051	146	CustomerTwo, eForms	New	03/10/2016
1020	147	CustomerOne, eGovCust1	Pending	03/10/2016
1020	148	CustomerTwo, eForms	Pending	03/10/2016
1020	167		Pending	03/23/2016
1059	174	CustomerThree, eForms	New	04/18/2016
1059	178	CustomerThree, eForms	Pending	05/09/2016
1059	179	CustomerThree, eForms	Pending	05/09/2016
1051	180	CustomerThree, eForms	New	05/09/2016

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The inbox can contain new and pending packages.

New status is a submitted package that has not been opened by an Agency employee.

Pending status is a submitted package that has been opened by an Agency employee, but no action has been taken to accepted, re-direct, or return the package.

Handbook-1-3550, Chapter 3, Paragraph 3.6 states applications must be reviewed within 3 business days after receipt to determine if the Loan Estimate disclosure requirement was triggered and to determine if items are missing. Therefore, it is important for State Office staff to run eForms reports weekly (at a minimum) to verify that there are no applications for which an action is needed.

Review the Package

The screenshot displays the USDA Service Center eForms Administration interface. The main content area shows the 'Inbox' section with a table of forms. The table has columns for Name, Status, Last Updated, and Actions. The 'Actions' column for the 'RD 410-4' form contains a document icon, which is circled in blue. Below the table are buttons for 'Accept', 'Re-direct', 'Return', 'Comments', 'History', 'Employee Edit', and 'Close'. A blue arrow points from the 'Close' button in the table to the 'Close' button at the bottom of the page. The footer contains the text 'Form RD 410-4 (Rev. 10-06)', 'Position 3', 'Form Approved OMB No. 0575-0172', and the title 'APPLICATION FOR RURAL ASSISTANCE (NONFARM TRACT) Uniform Residential Loan Application'.

Name	Status	Last Updated	Actions
AttachSupportingDocs.pdf	Active	05/09/2016	
RD 410-4	Active	05/09/2016	

Form RD 410-4 (Rev. 10-06)

Position 3

Form Approved OMB No. 0575-0172

APPLICATION FOR RURAL ASSISTANCE (NONFARM TRACT)
Uniform Residential Loan Application

After selecting the package, open each form to review the contents. Staff must use Microsoft Edge for this process. Google Chrome is not compatible for this step. When opening the 410-4, you must close by selecting the close button at the top of the .pdf or the system will not recognize the 410-4 as having been opened.

Remember, the correct version of the 410-4 must be uploaded or eForms will not recognize the application as being submitted. This will prevent the Agency from being able to accept and parse an application and the package will remain in pending status. These packages are required to be processed manually. In this example, the correct 410-4 was uploaded as evidenced by the instruction icon under the Actions column.

You must review all documents in the package in order to complete the next step.

Accept, Redirect, or Return

- Accepted package import the 410-4 in UniFi during the next upload.
- Re-directed packages are sent to the inbox of the office selected.
- Returned packages are sent to the inbox of the submitter and should include a detailed explanation why the package was returned.

These are the forms that are contained by package **102025**-. Click on a form name to open and review it. Once all the forms for this package have been reviewed, you will be able to accept, re-redirect, or return this package.

Name	Status	Last Updated	Actions
RD 410-4	Active	07/20/2016	
T. f. df	Active	07/20/2016	

Accept **Re-redirect** **Return** **Comments** **History** **Employee Edit** **Close**

Once all documents have been opened and reviewed for completeness, the user can Accept, Redirect, or Return the package.

- Staff should only accept complete applications. Remember, a complete application is defined as
 - For an applicant (without a packager) a fully completed and signed 410-4, Uniform Residential Loan Application and all the applicable items listed in Handbook-1-3550, Attachment 3-J for Section 502 loans or Attachment 12-E for Section 504 loans and grants.
 - For intermediaries, packagers, and self-help grantees: all items as listed on the Phase 1 cover letter in Handbook-1-3550, Attachment 3-A.
 - When Form RD 410-4 is submitted using eForms, an actual signature is not required as the electronic submission constitutes a signature. Other forms, like Form RD 3550-1, Authorization to Release Information and Form RD 3550-4, Employment and Asset Certification, do require a signature. Accepting the package notifies eForms to import the 410-4 form in UniFi during the next upload. This is done by simply clicking the “Accept” button.
- Re-directed packages are sent to the inbox of the office selected, more on this discussed in a bit.
- Returned packages are sent to the inbox of the submitter.

Return

These are the forms that are contained by package 102025-t. Click on a form name to open and review it. Once all the forms for this package have been reviewed, you will be able to accept, re-direct, or return this package.

Name	Status	Last Updated
RD 410-4	Active	07/20/2016
T.	Active	07/20/2016

Buttons: Accept, Re-direct, Return, Comments, History, Employ

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Inbox

Package Confirmation Number: 103923-0000000000
Package Owner: R

Please enter the reason for returning this package.

-Page 2 annual income was listed instead of monthly. Please indicate rent.
-Page 6 list annual wages and child care cost.

Thank you,

Buttons: Continue, Cancel

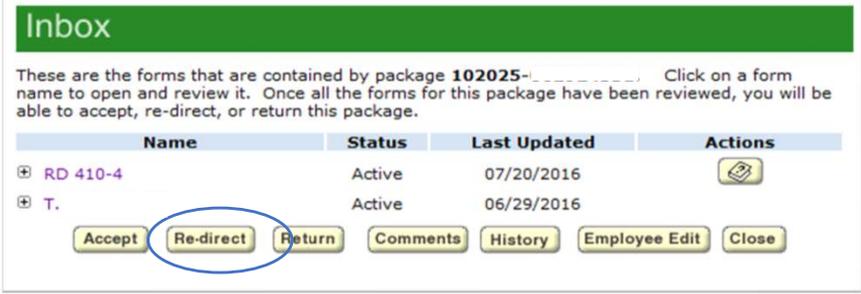
If the review of the application reveals the application is not complete, the package will be returned by clicking the “Return” button. RD staff will be prompted to enter a reason and then click “Continue.” An email will be sent to the submitter notifying them that the application has been returned and the reason(s) for the return. The Agency takes no further action on this application until it is resubmitted.

Please be aware that the automated email to the RD Servicing Center does not show the reason for return; only the automated email to the submitter will reflect the reason(s).

Agency staff should utilize language in HB-1-3550, Chapter 3, Paragraph 3.6 A, which also provides guidance that the complete application package with missing items must be submitted within 15 days of written notice.

Redirect

What happens if an application wasn't sent to the pre-determined RD Service Center?



The screenshot shows an 'Inbox' interface with a table of packages. Below the table is a row of action buttons. The 'Re-direct' button is circled in blue.

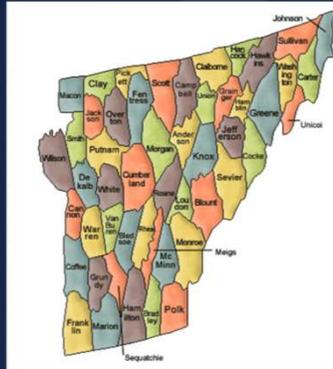
Name	Status	Last Updated	Actions
⊕ RD 410-4	Active	07/20/2016	
⊕ T.	Active	06/29/2016	

Accept Re-direct Return Comments History Employee Edit Close

At times, a RD office may receive an application that needs to go to another RD office. The re-direct feature is a useful option when a package was sent to the wrong office or if a state uses centralized processing and wants to re-direct the package internally. Recall, forwarding an email notification does not give another person access to the package, you must re-direct the package within eForms.

To re-direct an application, open each attachment and then click the “Re-direct” button.

Redirect: Select an Office



Name	Agency	Address	Action
HAZLEHURST SERVICE CENTER (63304)	FSA	27169 HIGHWAY 28 HAZLEHURST MS, 39083	Select Map
HAZLEHURST SERVICE CENTER (63306)	NRCS	27169 HIGHWAY 28 HAZLEHURST MS, 39083	Select Map
JACKSON STATE OFFICE (101203)	RD	100 W CAPITOL ST JACKSON MS, 39201-1602	Select Map
JACKSON STATE OFFICE (101204)	NRCS	100 W CAPITOL ST JACKSON MS, 39201-1602	Select Map
FARM SERVICES AGENCY STATE OFFICE (101233)	FSA	6311 RIDGEWOOD RD JACKSON MS, 39211	Select Map
BROOKHAVEN SERVICE CENTER (101224)	RD	1295 JOHNNY JOHNSON BROOKHAVEN MS, 39061	Select Map
HAZLEHURST SERVICE CENTER (104873)	CD	27169 HIGHWAY 28 HAZLEHURST MS, 39083	Select Map
GULF OF MEXICO ECOSYSTEM RESTORATION (187910)	NRCS	7318 OLD CANTON RD MADISON MS, 39110	Select Map
IANA MISSISSIPPI REGIONAL OFFICE (110426)	IANA	803 LIBERTY ROAD JACKSON MS, 39212-9000	Select Map

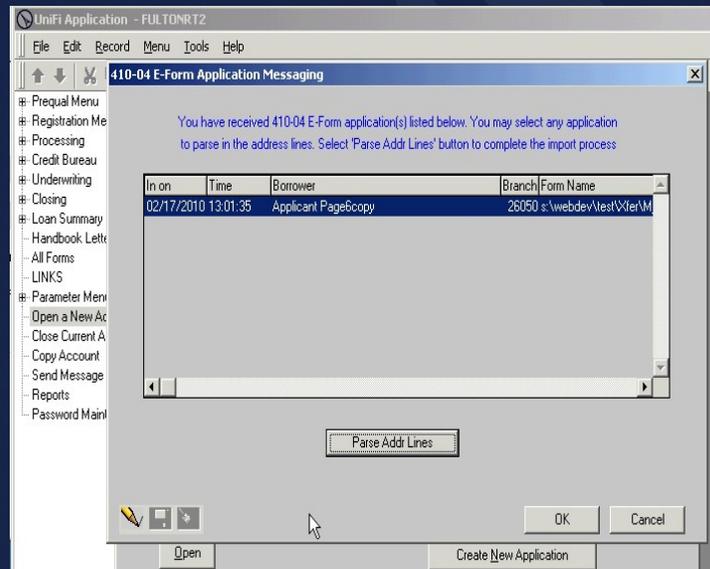
Once the RD reviewer clicks re-direct, the process is started to select an office. Select a previously used site or click Text Version for a list of states in alphabetical order. The submitter selects the desire state and county/parish in which the new receiving office is located. A list of offices is displayed for the submitter to make the office selection by clicking the “Select” button. Be aware when redirecting a package, some employees will have RD, NRCS, and FSA site options. Be sure to check for RD under Agency when selecting an office.

Enter the reason for re-directing the package and click “Continue.” Once you have re-directed a package, you have no further action on the application as the receiving office is now responsible for the application.

Now that we have talked about the Agency’s review and the three possible actions, it’s time to talk about the last step in the eForms process.

Step 3: Import into UniFi

410-04 E-Form Application Messaging



The 410-4 in an accepted package is imported in UniFi during the next upload.

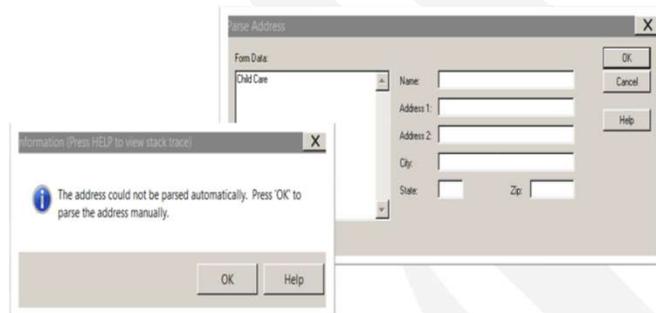
In UniFi, the user will get a pop-up titled 410-04 E-Form Application Messaging.

In centralized states, all employees will see the pop-up. Employees not responsible for parsing an application should select cancel to exit the pop-up and continue into UniFi. This will leave the application unparsed and still displaying for other users in UniFi.

The user selects the application and Parse Address Lines to complete parsing screens.

Parse Address Popup

Parsing pop-up messages...

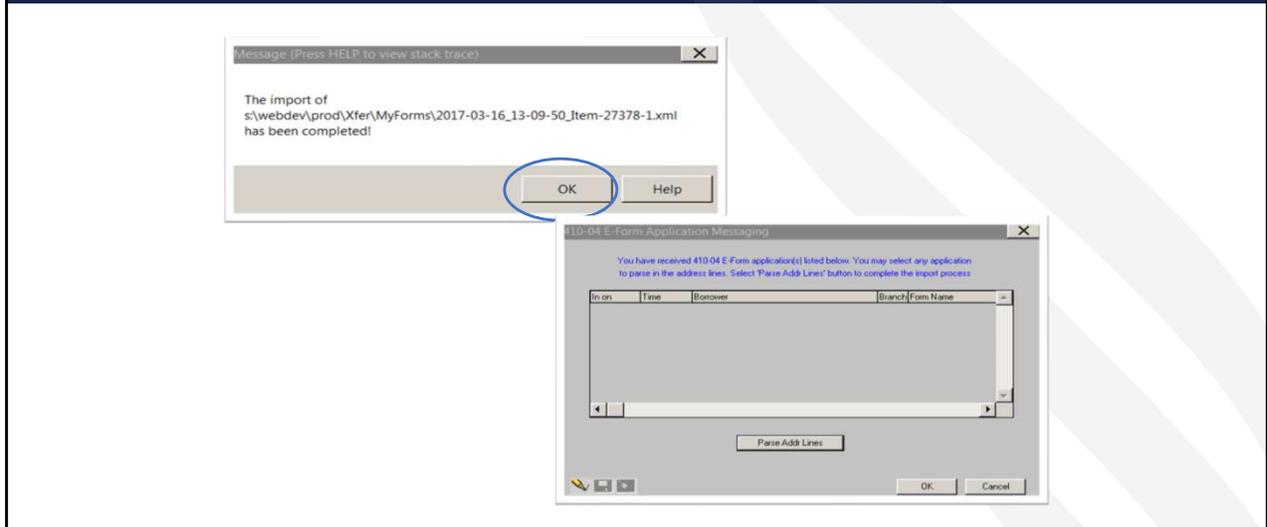


During parsing, you may receive pop-up messages.

This occurs when information obtained from the 410-4 is not complete or was not recognized. To move forward with parsing, complete the necessary information in the Parse Address popup using the 410-4 from the eForms site. If the address was not provided on the 410-4, determine if the address is available on other documents.

If you select cancel on the Parse Address popup, the address on the left will not be entered into UniFi and will need to be input manually after parsing is complete.

Importing and Parsing into UniFi



A pop-up box will appear when the application import is complete. Click “OK”.

If other applications appear in the 410-04 E-Form Application Messaging screen, you can continue to parse these applications at this time or can click cancel to parse at a later time. Remember, in centralized states, all employees will see the pop-up with all state applications awaiting parsing. Be sure to only parse the applications that are assigned to you for processing, which is determined by your state’s processing structure.

If the 410-04 E-Form Application Messaging screen reflects no additional applications to parse. Click “OK”. The last newly imported application opens in UniFi. The application can now be completed as a regular non eForms application. The user guide has additional information on the finishing touches to complete in UniFi.

When reviewing the application in UniFi to complete all necessary fields, go to the 410-4 from the completed mailbox and have that open to refer to.

My Secondary Queue

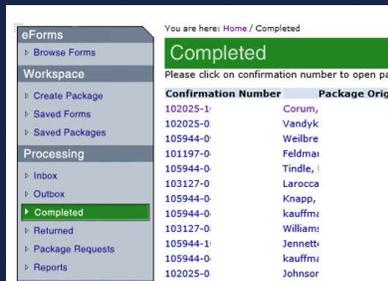
- BE AWARE that if you accidentally close an application without fully completing it, you have to access it using the **My Secondary Queue** option from the Select an Application pop-up.

The screenshot shows a 'Select an Application' dialog box with a 'Take From Queue' section. A blue arrow points to the 'My Secondary Queue' option. Below the dialog is a table titled 'All Loans Active in Your Queue (EMPL04143)'.

In on	Time	Borrower	Application Number	Branch	Stage	Exp Close Dt	Purp	Prod	Comments/Task
02/25/10	3:11 PM	**NEW ACCOUNT **	?	26050	00		10	00000	Account Created New
02/24/10	12:40 PM	Page6, Applicant		?	26050	00	00	00000	Opened Non Queue
02/22/10	11:49 AM	MaxdalaRcopy, Testy	0070000479	18090	20	11/19/2004	20	00250	Opened Non Queue
02/19/10	2:24 PM	**NEW ACCOUNT **	?	26050	00		40	00000	Opened Non Queue
02/18/10	2:16 PM	**NEW ACCOUNT **	?	26050	00		40	00000	Account Created New

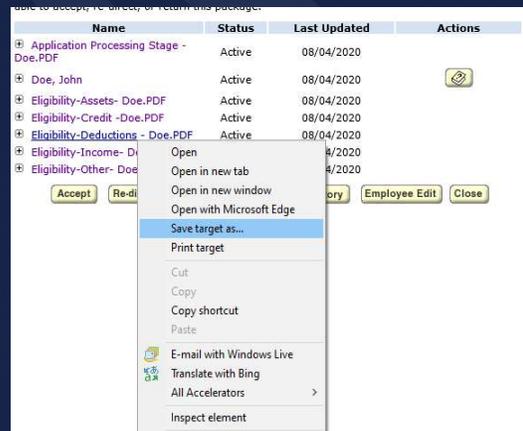
BE AWARE that if you accidentally close an application without fully completing it, you have to access it using the **My Secondary Queue** option from the Select an Application pop-up.

eForms to the Electronic Customer File (ECF)



Save other supporting documentation

Save the 410-4



Once an Electronic Case File is generated, the documents can be downloaded from the completed mailbox to a temporary location. Open the 410-4, click the save icon, name the file, and click save. For other supporting documents, right-click, select “Save target as”, select desired location in the Save As popup, name the file, and click save. Now the documents can be uploaded into ECF as single documents or using the Batch and Split feature for combined documents. Documents should be immediately removed from the temporary location.

Reports

Reports are available in eForms to track new, pending, accepted, new redirected, and returned applications.

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Reports

Select Report Options

All Packages 410-4 Packages Only

National State

Summary Detail

All Dates Range Begin End

Select One Report Type With Desired Option

Open Items

All Open New Pending
 New Redirected

Volume Statistics

All All Open Items Accepted
 New Pending New Redirected
 Returned

Reports are available in eForms to track new, pending, accepted, new redirected, and returned applications. The report feature is a great tool to confirm applications are submitted to locations with staff to process the applications and to confirm applications are processed timely.

Remember, State Office staff must pull reports weekly to monitor for any unprocessed applications.

Use the following options to obtain the correct report data:

Select: 410-4 Packages Only

Select: State and on the drop down menu choose your state

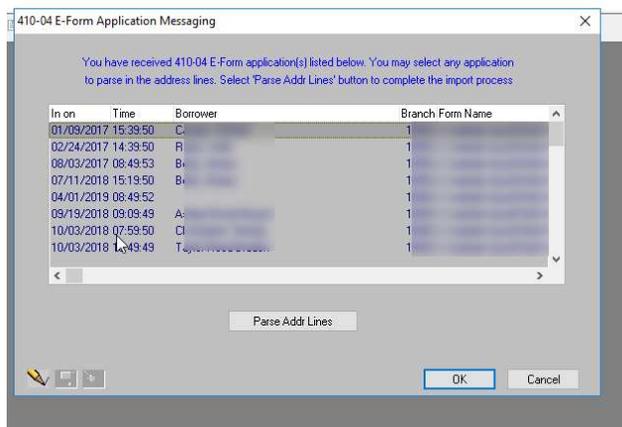
Select: Detail

Select: Range and enter a desired begin and end date

Select: Volume Statistics and check boxes for New, Pending, New Redirected

These options will produce a report of packages that have not receive action to accept or return.

UniFi – eForms application queue “cleanup”



- Any eForms queue that is older than 90 days at the time of the cleanup process will be removed
- Process is bi-annual (March and September)

UniFi users will notice that, on occasions when logging into UniFi, they are prompted with the eForms queue (“410-04 E-Form Application Messaging” prompt). This queue appears when applications exist in the eForms parsing queue, where the servicing branch assigned to the application to parse, matches the main branch code assigned to the UniFi user logging into the system. There are several reasons old applications may remain in the queue which require cleanup. The UniFi – eForms application queue cleanup process removes any application in the eForms queue with a date older than 365 days from when the queue cleanup tool processes (meaning, if the process is run on September 30th, any application older than September 30th of the prior year will be removed).

The process is scheduled on bi-annual basis (March and September) to make sure the queues remain manageable and do not begin to create any storage issues within the UniFi Production environment.

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