NOAA's Office of Habitat Conservation FY22 IIJA Funding Opportunities



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NOAA's Restoring Fish Passage through Barrier Removal Notice of Funding Opportunity under the IIJA

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https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/grant/restor ing-fish-passage-through-barrier-removal-

Eligible entities

Eligible applicants are institutions of higher education, non-profits, commercial (for profit) organizations, U.S. territories, and state, local and Native American tribal governments. Applications from federal agencies or employees of federal agencies will not be considered. Federal agencies are strongly encouraged to work with applicants who are eligible to apply.

Fund availability and distribution method

Total Funding Available- \$65,000,000 through competitive grants

Match requirement

Match is not required but match and leveraged funds are highly encouraged and have evaluation criteria/points associated with it.

Typical grant amount

- Award Ceiling: \$15,000,000
- Award Floor: \$1,000,000

Typical federal funding for awards will range from \$2 million to \$5 million over three years.

Timing/next deadline

- NOFO posted to grants.gov 6/14/22
- Closing Date for Applications: 8/15/22

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Special Considerations

- See Section III.C. of the NOFO.Ineligible project proposal types and activities include:
 - Activities that are required by a separate local, state, or federal consent decree, court order, license condition, statute, or regulation are not eligible.
 - Effectiveness monitoring and research are not eligible project types. The NOAA Office of Habitat Conservation values effectiveness monitoring and research, but funds are not included within this funding opportunity to support monitoring and research focused projects.

Project Types examples

- Fish Passage Definition for this funding opportunity: For this opportunity, fish passage means native migratory sea-run fish can move through the barrier site under their own power, at multiple life stages, without delay (also known as "volitional passage").
- Fish passage projects include dam removal and/or modification; culvert removal and/or replacement; nature-like fishways or bypass channels; and technical fish ladders.
- **Proposed activities may include:** future project development and feasibility studies; engineering and design; permitting; on-the-ground fish passage restoration; pre- and post removal implementation monitoring; stakeholder engagement, including in underserved communities; building the capacity of new and existing restoration partners to manage multifaceted project design and construction; and education and outreach.



Restoring Tribal Priority Fish Passage through Barrier Removal under the IIJA

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Eligible entities

- Eligible applicants are Indian tribes (as defined in 25 U.S.C. Section 5304 (e)) and tribal commissions or consortia.
- **Tribal commissions or consortia** are required to provide supporting documentation demonstrating support from the tribe(s) they represent for the specific work proposed. Documentation should be from a senior tribal leader or their designee and must also include a description of how the tribe(s) will be involved in the proposed work.

Fund availability and distribution method

Total Funding Available- \$12,000,000 through competitive grants

Match requirement

There is no non-federal matching requirement for this funding and no evaluation criteria for it.

Typical grant amount

- Award Ceiling: \$5,000,000
- Award Floor: \$300,000
- Typical federal funding for awards will range from \$500,000 to \$2 million over three years.

Timing/next deadline

NOFO posted to grants.gov 6/14/22 Closing Date for Applications: **8/29/22**



Restoring Tribal Priority Fish Passage through Barrier Removal under the IIJA

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Special Considerations

- Check eligibility (Section III) of the NOFO
- See Section III.C. of the NOFO. Ineligible project proposal types and activities include:
 - Activities that are required by a separate local, state, or federal consent decree, court order, license condition, statute, or regulation are not eligible.
 - Effectiveness monitoring and research are not eligible project types. The NOAA Office of Habitat Conservation values effectiveness monitoring and research, but funds are not included within this funding opportunity to support monitoring and research focused projects.

Project Types examples

Applicants should address the following program priorities:

- (1) Achieving measurable and lasting benefits for migratory fish populations;
- (2) Fostering tribally important barrier removal that benefit migratory fish;
- (3) Enhancing community resilience to climate hazards or

(4) Increasing tribal organizational fish passage capacity to support tribes in their role as managers and stewards of tribal trust resources for cultural, spiritual, economic, subsistence, and recreational purposes.

Proposed activities may include future project development and feasibility studies, engineering and design, permitting, on-the-ground fish passage restoration, pre- and post-removal, implementation monitoring, stakeholder engagement, building the capacity of new and existing restoration partners to manage multi-faceted project design and construction, and education and outreach.

This funding opportunity will also support building tribal organizational capacity to participate in developing current and future fish passage projects.



Eligible entities

Eligible applicants are institutions of higher education, non-profits, commercial (for profit) organizations, U.S. territories, and state, local, and Native American tribal governments.

Applications from federal agencies or employees of federal agencies will not be considered. Federal agencies and employees are not allowed to receive funds under this solicitation, but may serve as collaborative project partners.

NOAA's Transformational Habitat Restoration and Coastal Resilience Grants Under the IIJA

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https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/grant/trans formational-habitat-restoration-andcoastal-resilience-grants

Fund availability and distribution method

Total Funding Available- \$85,000,000 through competitive grants

Match requirement

There is no non-federal matching requirement for this funding. NOAA desires cost sharing to encourage partnerships among government, community, industry, and academia. To this end, applicants should note that cost sharing is an element considered within the evaluation criterion entitled "Project Costs" (see Section V.A of the NOFO).

Typical grant amount

- Award Ceiling: \$15,000,000
- Award Floor: \$1,000,000
- Typical federal funding for awards will range from \$3-\$8 million over three years.

Timing/next deadline

NOFO posted to grants.gov 6/28/22 Closing Date for Applications: **9/6/22**



NOAA's Transformational Habitat Restoration and Coastal Resilience Grants Under the IIJA

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Special Considerations

See Section III.C. of the NOFO. Ineligible project proposal types and activities include:

- Activities that are required by a separate local, state, or federal consent decree, court order, license condition, statute, or regulation are not eligible.
- Effectiveness monitoring and research are not eligible project types. The NOAA Office of Habitat Conservation values effectiveness monitoring and research, but funds are not included within this funding opportunity to support monitoring and research focused projects.

Project Types examples

Applicants should address the following program priorities:

- 1) sustaining productive fisheries and strengthening ecosystem resilience;
- 2) fostering regionally important habitat restoration;
- 3) enhancing community resilience to climate hazards and providing other co-benefits; and

4) providing benefit to underserved communities, including through partnerships with tribes.

Proposals may include the following types of project phases: planning and assessments; feasibility studies; engineering design and permitting; on-the-ground implementation; pre- and/or post-implementation monitoring; or any combination of phases thereof.Proposals may also include capacity-building and stakeholder engagement to support the proposed restoration.



Coastal Habitat Restoration and Resilience Grants for Underserved Communities, Under the

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https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/grant/coa stal-habitat-restoration-and-resiliencegrants-underserved-communities

Eligible entities

Eligible applicants are institutions of higher education, non-profit organizations, commercial (for profit) organizations, U.S. territories, or state, local, or tribal governments that can demonstrate status as an underserved community, or that partner with underserved communities or tribes or tribal entities, in coastal areas. See the definition of Underserved Community in Section I.A.of the NOFO.

Fund availability and distribution method

Total Funding Available- \$10,000,000 through competitive grants

Match requirement

- There is no non-federal matching requirement for this funding.
- Cost share is encouraged
- Cost share may include formal, non-federal match funds and/or informal leverage from a broad range of sources

Typical grant amount

- Award Ceiling: \$1,000,000
- Award Floor: \$75,000
- Typical federal funding for awards will range from \$250,000-\$500,000 over three years.

Timing/next deadline

NOFO posted to grants.gov 6/28/22 Closing Date for Applications: **9/30/22**



Coastal Habitat Restoration and Resilience Grants for Underserved Communities, Under the IIJA

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Special Considerations

Principal Objective of this funding opportunity: To provide federal funding to underserved communities, tribes, and tribal entities to meaningfully engage in coastal habitat restoration activities.

Projects selected through this funding opportunity will build capacity and/or implement restoration activities that enhance the resilience of underserved communities in marine, estuarine, coastal, and Great Lakes areas to recover from extreme weather events or climate hazards.

Project Types examples

Applicants should address the following program priorities:

 Enhancing habitat in support of ecosystem and community resilience.
Increasing organizational and technical capacity of underserved communities, tribes, and/or tribal entities to lead and/or participate in habitat restoration activities.

Habitat restoration activities might include, but are not limited to:

participation in municipal or regional-scale resilience planning, project scoping and goal-setting, project planning, project location evaluation and selection, design plan review and comment, and/or management of multi-faceted habitat restoration project design and construction. Activities might also include providing public feedback on all phases of habitat restoration scoping and implementation through such mechanisms as public meetings, public site visits, etc.



Additional Resources

- <u>https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/funding-opportunities/open-opportunities</u> provides a list of all these NOFOs (as well as others currently open)
- Each specific NOFO webpage offers additional resources for the applicant including:
 - General Resources for applicants including- budget guidance, monitoring and data management guidance, environmental compliance, etc
 - How to build your proposal
 - An applicant webinar (slides, transcript and audio) specific to each NOFO
 - How to apply (via grants.gov)
- Other NOAA related IIJA funding opportunities can be found here- <u>https://www.noaa.gov/infrastructure-law</u>

Questions?