

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)

Ocean Acidification and Hypoxia (OAH), Monitoring Research, and Communication

Proposal Scoring Criteria

(50 points) SPECIFIC PROJECT CRITERIA *(as stated in Appendices A and B)*

- Project is responsive to the specific criteria within the RFP appendices and is designed such that the stated goals and objectives can be met within the timeframe of the proposal.
- Project deliverables are clearly defined in the proposal and are in an appropriate format for intended users/stakeholders (and are useful to the users/stakeholders).
- Project advances the state of the science through use of robust methods that are clear and understandable in the proposal.
- Project has technically sound management, research, or educational rationale and benefits, which is explained in detail in the proposal.

(15 points) PROJECT TEAM QUALIFICATIONS

- Principal applicants must have specialized knowledge relevant to OAH and/or the ecosystem and processes impacted (e.g., oceanography, chemistry, fisheries, etc.).
- Principal applicants must have an amount of research or appropriate experience relevant to the proposed work.
- Principal applicants must have a demonstrated understanding of OAH impacts on industry and/or coastal communities.
- Preference will be given to principal applicants that have experience working in Oregon marine ecosystems, with Oregon species.
- Preference will be given to principal applicant teams that are cross-disciplinary (where applicable) and/or comprise a wide range of backgrounds in education, skills, experience.
- Preference will be given to projects that include collaborations with local, state, and regional partners, who are not receiving projects funds for time/and or materials.

(15 points) PROJECT BUDGET

- Project overall budget must be justified and aligned with project goals, outcomes, and timelines.
- Project supplies and materials as well as personnel costs (if any provided) are reasonable to accomplish goals and outcomes and must be clearly described in budget narratives.
- Preference will be given to projects that have potential for leveraging other work (including past funded projects, current funded projects, and/or proposed multiple submissions of projects to the current RFP).

(10 points) OREGON COMMUNITY IMPACTS AND FOCUS

- Project must fill identified data gaps that are specific to Oregon, although may be regional in scope, through alignment with State-wide resource management, planning, and governance initiatives (e.g., [Oregon Climate Adaptation Framework](#), [Oregon 100-year water vision](#), [Oregon Dept. of Environmental Quality - Water quality assessments](#), [Oregon Dept. of Fish and Wildlife - Nearshore conservation strategy](#), [Oregon Territorial Sea Planning](#)).
- Project must support Oregon community (human and/or ecosystem) adaptation and resiliency by complementing Oregon Action Plans (e.g., [OAH Council](#), [Oregon Global Warming Commission](#), [Oregon Climate Research Institute](#), [Oregon Sustainability Board](#), Local Climate Adaptation Plans).
- Preference will be given to projects that engage, inform, and or explore the role of underserved people and communities who have not traditionally participated in ocean change issues in the past due to various barriers and perceptions in experimental design, engagement in work or as beneficiaries of deliverables (see [Oregon Climate Equity Blueprint](#)).

(10 points) INFORMATION SHARING

- Projects must clearly define and justify the timeline for data and work product information sharing.
- Project must clearly state what work products will be developed as a result of the project and how access to work products will be considered throughout the project timeline (e.g., use of multiple languages in final products, use of both written and oral presentations at multiple locations around Oregon, considerations of internet access in rural communities, etc.).
- Projects must clearly state what data formats will be generated as a result of the project and how data will be disseminated to public databases and to appropriate state agencies in a timely manner.