

Early Stage Propagation Strategies for Aquaculture Species Webinar Q&A

Q - Do the species studied have to have potential for commercialization for food?

A - No, this competition is not restricted to species cultured for food.

Q - Is coral an eligible candidate for study in this competition?

A - This competition is open to organisms or species outside of food production, including vertebrates and invertebrates used for conservation activities such as restoration or enhancement. This would include cultured corals.

Q - Can this research include finfish for stock enhancement?

A - This competition is open to organisms or species outside of food production, including vertebrates and invertebrates used for conservation activities such as restoration or enhancement. This would include finfish for stock enhancement.

Q - Do the projects have to focus on propagation strategies for just one species or can they focus on additional species?

A - Projects working on multiple species are eligible for this competition.

Q - What are considered multi-partner projects? Does that mean multiple Sea Grant programs or more academic professional partnerships?

A - "Multi-partner", in this case, refers to separate entities or institutions participating on a project, but it does not require multiple Sea Grant programs. Two labs in the same university system would not be considered "multi-partner", but those same two labs working with a Sea Grant program at a different university (or any other partner outside of their university) would qualify.

Q - How many "points" are awarded to proposals that have industry partners involved in their project?

A - There is not a specific amount of points assigned for involving an industry partner. Proposals that have industry partnerships that contribute meaningfully to the project objectives being proposed typically perform better at review.

Q - Are ESA listed species eligible?

A - Yes, the only species that are specifically not eligible are the 19 species listed in the concurrent competition, "Marine Finfish Aquaculture: Juvenile Production Technologies". ESA listing does not exclude a species from eligibility to this competition.