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Disaster Preparedness Program in NOAA

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Disaster Preparedness Program

- Vision: NOAA and coastal communities are safer through optimal disaster preparation, response, and recovery.

- Mission: To ensure NOS, partners, and coastal communities are able to effectively prepare for, respond to, and recover from all hazards, including coastal disasters.

- Intent:
  - Nationalize the regional vision of the GOM DRC
  - Support effective and efficient emergency response and recovery operations
  - Improve on NOS’s Continuity of Operations Planning
DPP Goals

- Capacity building (training, exercises, workshops)
- Coordination and communication (internal, regional, partnerships, outreach)
- Continuous improvement (lessons learned, resource/tool development, planning ahead)
- Preparedness, response, and recovery support (incident response, recovery, support to partners)
- Program development (program evaluation, professional development, diversity & inclusion)
Building new partnerships
How we can be better together

DPP:
- Small program with a BIG job
- Limited geographic coverage
- Most relationships at the federal level
- Expertise focused in preparedness, response and restoration/recovery

Sea Grant:
- Bigger program with a BIG job
- Geographically dispersed
- Diverse relationships with communities and other partners
- Broad expertise ranging from law and policy to research and development
Purpose of the request

- Build the partnership between DPP and Sea Grant institutions through a cooperative agreement arrangement
- Expand DPP reach and impact to support our mission
- Utilize Sea Grant member expertise and connections
- Broaden the geographic extent and types of DPP support
- Give Sea Grant the opportunity to build upon existing projects/priorities by supporting innovative all-hazard preparedness, response, and recovery initiatives
- Leverage our combined expertise and resources to have a bigger impact
- Improve preparedness for coastal communities - particularly those most vulnerable and least represented
Proposal Specifications

- Network-wide eligibility, focused on coastal communities (including islands, territories and Great Lakes)
- Legal/policy analysis, R&D, training/education, or tool/resource development are all acceptable project types
- Should address a preparedness gap/need to reduce disaster impacts and help expedite recovery
- Include a metric to evaluate success of project in meeting the stated objective(s)
- Coordination with DPP is encouraged during proposal development
Previous Awards

- MIT Sea Grant, “Oil Spill Disaster Preparedness for Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe Coastal Aquaculture Operations and Cultural Resources”
- Wisconsin Sea Grant, “Developing Preparedness Capacity in Wisconsin Coastal Communities Against Combined Storm and Flood Events”
- Hawaii Sea Grant, “Building Back Better: A Pre-Disaster Recovery Plan for the Island of Kaua’i”
- Read more: https://seagrant.noaa.gov/News/ArtMID/468/ArticleID/2905
Process for applicants

- Consult NOFO and Special Projects H announcement
- Provide a project narrative, budget narrative, and justification, and general forms required for Sea Grant applicants INCLUDING an Abbreviated Environmental Compliance Questionnaire
- At least three reviewers will provide written reviews based on listed criteria; a subsequent panel is possible to discuss the reviews
- Projects will be evaluated based on established criteria including relevance to program goals, technical/scientific merit (including innovation), overall qualifications of applicants, outreach, and project costs
- Available funding will be awarded to the top ranked projects until all funds are disbursed
Project implementation

- Award will be a cooperative agreement with substantial involvement of DPP; Research Terms & Conditions will apply
- Provide regular updates to the DPP coordinator
- Report on results, including ability to meet success metric
- Timeline: start date no earlier than September 1, 2023 and no later than December 1, 2023, with completion no later than two years after the start date
Questions
Contacts

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