



FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

# Restoring Fish Passage through Barrier Removal Grants

Up to \$75 million in funding is available for fish passage under the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law.

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## Overview

### Open Date

October 30, 2024

### Closing Date

February 10, 2025

### Grant Type

Competitive

### Award Period

Approximately three years

### Funding

Award amounts range from \$750,000 to \$8 million for the entire award

### Funding Opportunity Number

NOAA-NMFS-HCPO-2025-29043

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## About

Proposals must be received through Grants.gov by **11:59 PM Eastern time on February 10, 2025**.




Up to \$75 million in funding is available for fish passage projects under the [Bipartisan Infrastructure Law](#). This funding will support projects that reopen migratory pathways and restore access to healthy habitat for fish around the country.

In collaboration with NOAA, selected partners will use these funds to implement locally-led removals of dams and other in-stream barriers. Selected projects will assist in sustaining our nation's fisheries and contributing to the recovery of threatened and endangered species. They may also provide community and economic benefits, such as jobs and climate resilience.

NOAA will accept proposals between \$750,000 and \$8 million for the entire award, with typical funding anticipated to range from \$3 million to \$5 million.

## Applicant Webinars

A recorded applicant webinar is available for download in the "For Applicants" section below. We will hold 3 live webinars with information for potential applicants. The first 2 webinars will be for applicants for this competition and our [Restoring Tribal Priority Fish Passage through Barrier Removal Grants](#). The final webinar will be focused specifically on tribal applicants to both competitions:

- **November 20** at 3-4 PM Eastern / 2-3 Central / 12-1 PM Pacific / 11 AM-12 PM Alaska
  - [Register for the November 20 applicant webinar](#) 
- **December 3** at 2-3 PM Eastern / 1-2 PM Central / 11 AM-12 PM Pacific / 10-11 AM Alaska
  - [Register for the December 3 applicant webinar](#) 
- **Tribal Focused Webinar: December 12** at 3-4 PM Eastern / 2-3 PM Central / 12-1 PM Pacific / 11 AM-12 PM Alaska
  - [Register for the December 12 tribal focused applicant webinar](#) 
- **Coming soon:** Webinar information for two brief webinars with tips for applying for NOAA awards with the new eRA system.

After the webinars are completed, a list of applicant Frequently Asked Questions from the webinars will be posted on this page.

## Questions?

Contact [Fish.Passage.Grants@noaa.gov](mailto:Fish.Passage.Grants@noaa.gov)

## For Applicants

- [View the Funding Opportunity on Grants.gov](#)
- [Resources for NOAA Restoration Center Applicants](#)
- [Program Priorities for Habitat Restoration Grants](#)
- [How to Build Your Proposals](#)
- [Download Applicant Webinar Materials: Slides, Transcript, and Audio \(.zip\)](#)

## For Grants Recipients

- [Information for NOAA Restoration Center Award Recipients](#)
  - [Monitoring and Evaluation for Restoration Projects](#)
  - [Progress Reporting Guidance](#)
  - [Environmental Compliance Resources](#)
  - [How to Manage Your Grant](#)
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## Application Process

### Who Can Apply?

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

### How to Apply

Applicants should apply through the [www.Grants.gov](http://www.Grants.gov) website. A complete standard NOAA financial assistance application package should be submitted in accordance with the guidelines in the Notice of Funding Opportunity announcement posted to [www.Grants.gov](http://www.Grants.gov). Each application must include the application forms from the SF-424 form family.




### New Grant Application Process: eRA Commons

The Department of Commerce has transitioned their grants management system from Grants Online to eRA Commons. [Learn the new process for submitting a grant application to NOAA Fisheries](#), including common errors that are important to review to ensure NOAA receives your application.

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## Schedule

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### 2025:

- February 10: Deadline for proposal submissions.
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