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Funding Opportunity Number:	NOAA-NOS-OCM-2024-27096	Posted Date:	Jun 17, 2024
Funding Opportunity Title:	FY24 Bipartisan Infrastructure Law Coastal Zone Management Habitat Protection and Restoration Competition	Last Updated Date:	Jan 07, 2025
Opportunity Category:	Discretionary	Original Closing Date for Applications:	Jan 09, 2025
Opportunity Explanation:		Current Closing Date for Applications:	Jan 13, 2025
Funding Instrument Type:	Cooperative Agreement Grant	Archive Date:	Feb 08, 2025
Category of Funding:	Environment Natural Resources	Estimated Total Program Funding:	\$ 44,600,000
		Award Ceiling:	\$6,000,000
		Award Floor:	\$200,000



Activity: Science and
Technology and
other Research and
Development

**Category
Explanation:**

**Expected
Number of
Awards:** 25

**Assistance
Listings:** 11.473 -- Office for
Coastal Management

**Cost Sharing
or Matching
Requirement:** No

Eligibility

**Eligible
Applicants:** Others (see text field entitled "Additional Information on Eligibility"
for clarification)

**Additional
Information
on Eligibility:** Any coastal state or territorial CZM Program that has been approved
by NOAA pursuant to the Coastal Zone Management Act (16 U.S.C. §
1455) is eligible for funds under this announcement. For selected
projects, NOAA may make financial assistance awards to the lead
CZM Program agency, which will be responsible for ensuring that
allocated funds are used for the purposes of and in a manner
consistent with this program. NOAA may also, with concurrence
from the CZM Program lead agency, make a grant directly to an
identified eligible CZM Program partner in order to expedite
completion of an approved project. For these projects, the CZM
Program lead agency would submit a Letter of Intent and include an
identification and brief description of the CZM Program partner that
would be the final grant recipient. If the CZM Program is invited to
submit a final application for the proposal, then the CZM Program
partner would submit the final application through grants.gov. In
such cases, the CZM Program partner (as the grant award recipient)
will be responsible for ensuring that allocated funds are used for the
approved purposes of, and in a manner consistent with, this
program. Eligible CZM Program partners may include regional
authorities, non-governmental organizations, institutions of higher

education, and state, territorial, tribal, and county/local governments. Non-governmental organizations may serve as the lead applicant for habitat restoration projects or for habitat restoration engineering, design and planning projects. As noted in section III C.3. Public Benefit, all projects must be located on publicly-owned land, or land where a public entity holds a lease or easement that provides for adequate public control of the property. For these projects, the project application should also include a letter of support from the public entity who holds title or a legal interest on the project site. Non-governmental organizations may not serve as the lead applicant for land conservation projects, as they are not eligible to hold title to lands acquired with these funds. Non-governmental organizations also must not be listed as a subawardee for land acquisition purchase funds. However, non-governmental organizations, such as land trusts, may participate as partners in the acquisition of lands through this program in other ways such as: identifying target properties; conducting or assisting in acquisition negotiations to secure properties; preparing due diligence materials; conducting restoration activities; and providing stewardship and management of properties in perpetuity, including holding a secondary.

Additional Information

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Description: The purpose of this notice is to solicit grant proposals from eligible state and territory Coastal Zone Management Programs (CZM Programs) for coastal habitat restoration; coastal habitat restoration planning, engineering, and design; and coastal land conservation projects that support the goals and intent of the Coastal Zone Management Act (CZMA), the Coastal and Estuarine Land Conservation Program (CELCP), and the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (Bipartisan Infrastructure Law)(BIL, Public Law 117-58, 135 STAT. 1356 (Nov. 15, 2021).

NOAA anticipates that approximately \$45 million will be competitively awarded to approved state and territory Coastal Zone Management Programs or eligible Program partners. For habitat restoration engineering, design and planning projects, it is anticipated that awards will range from approximately \$200,000-\$500,000. For habitat restoration projects, it is anticipated

that awards will range from approximately \$2 million to \$6 million. For land conservation projects, it is anticipated that awards will range from approximately \$1 million to \$4 million. Applicants may propose projects with a Federal funding request less than or more than these amounts, up to \$6 million.

The NOAA Office for Coastal Management (OCM) encourages applicants and awardees to support the principles of equity and inclusion when writing their proposals and performing their work. Promoting equity and inclusion through community engagement, co-development, and partnership improves creativity, productivity, and the vitality of the coastal management community that OCM supports. NOAA also encourages applicants to propose projects with benefits to tribal, indigenous, and/or underserved communities, and projects that appropriately consider and elevate local or indigenous knowledge in project design, implementation, and evaluation. Applicants should identify if the project is located within tribal, indigenous, and/or underserved communities, and/or whether a portion of the resilience benefits from the proposed work will flow to tribal, indigenous, and/or underserved communities. This program will advance the Biden-Harris Administration's Justice40 Initiative. Established by Executive Order 14008 on "Tackling the Climate Crisis at Home and Abroad," the Justice40 Initiative has established a goal that 40 percent of the overall benefits of certain federal investments in climate, clean energy, and other areas will flow to disadvantaged communities that are marginalized and overburdened by pollution and underinvestment.

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