



Pacific County Marine Resource Committee Request for Proposals 2021-2023

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Application # _____

For Projects Beginning After July 1, 2021 and Completed by June 30, 2023

(One application per project.)

Mission Statement: *The Pacific County Marine Resource Committee (PCMRC) serves as a steward for the marine and estuarine resources in our county by facilitating science-based policies, research, and education that enhance the sustainability of the economy and ecology our communities.*

Funding Opportunity

The Pacific County Marine Resource Committee (PCMRC) invites project proposals designed to promote local marine stewardship, citizen engagement focused on the resources and communities of Pacific County's Coast and restoration. **Applications are reviewed on an on-going basis.**

The PCMRC strongly encourages proposals from new and first-time grant applicants.

Project Types

Projects must:

Fall within at least one of six broad categories as defined by the Coastal MRC Program Work Group:

Marine Habitats

Marine Life

Marine and Fresh Water Quality

Sound Science

Education and Outreach

Coastal Communities

See **Appendix A** for more information on performance benchmarks associated with these categories. Projects should have a focus on the marine areas of Pacific County and may involve collaboration(s) with one or more of the other coastal MRCs for North Pacific Coast, Pacific and/or Wahkiakum Counties.

II. Award Information:

Under this announcement \$37,000 **may** be available to be awarded. This could be for one project but is more likely to be distributed to several competitive projects. The PCMRC reserves the right to offer partial funding for discrete activities, portions, or phases of the proposed project.

III. Due Dates:

Complete and return the application as soon as possible. First review will be August 12th, 2021. Review and award of funds will be on-going as funds are available. The PCMRC may prioritize and expedite the award of funding as it deems to best benefit the local marine resources. Projects must be completed, and a project summary report submitted by June 1, 2023. All grant awardees will be required to submit a hard copy and electronic copy of a written project report formatted in Calibri 11 font. **Photographs of the project are also required to be submitted in digital format.**

IV. Eligibility and matching

Federal, state, tribal, and other public or non-profit private agencies, institutions, and organizations are eligible for funding. Private individuals or for-profit organizations may partner with an eligible applicant or provide matching funds or in-kind contributions. There is no matching requirement.

V. Application Requirements

- 1) Complete your application using the template (Section VI) by copying the headings into a word processing program. (Print the template and complete on paper if an electronic version is not an option).
- 2) List the addressed Coastal MRC categories.
- 3) Applications should be no longer than 3 pages excluding attachments (budget, resumes, maps or illustrations, support letters, etc.)
- 4) Minimum font size 11. Use standard margins.
- 5) Complete all 10 portions of Section VI.
- 6) Submit your application on paper or email an electronic copy (preferred).

VI. Project Template

1. **Name of the project:**
2. **Lead organization and Contact** (Name, email, phone, address):
3. **Starting and ending dates for your project:**
4. **Deliverables** (List of report and/or products and identify their final date of submission):
5. **Project staff** (List and describe their expertise for their role in the project).
6. **Partners** (List and describe partners, matching contribution(s) of cash, in-kind materials, supplies, equipment, labor, etc. Support letters may be attached).
7. **Geographic Area:** Describe the geographic area for your project.
8. **List any associated permits and their status** (Examples: JARPA, HPA, CLEAR, SEPA review).
9. **Project Narrative** (this may be concise and in bullet format {except the abstract}):
 - a) **Abstract** (Provide a 1-2 paragraph project summary in the form of a short description that highlights the narrative that follows).
 - b) Describe the background and context (project area, situation to be addressed, past work relevant to the project).
 - c) Explain why the project is appropriate for MRC funding.
 - d) List and describe the project objective(s).
 - e) Provide a timeline for your project activities and the deliverables.
 - f) Describe the methods, procedures, and equipment to be used, if any.
 - g) Describe the extent or impact of the project (e.g., acres, miles, number of citizens).
 - h) Indicate if there are plans to continue the project into the future.
10. **Provide a Project Budget** (Include, if applicable, matches from other funding sources, both cash and in-kind, in the following categories. Clearly state the funding amount being requested from the PCMRC):
 - a) Personnel salaries and benefits (or hourly wages).
 - b) Supplies.
 - c) Equipment

- d) Travel
- e) Contracted services
- f) Indirect expenses cannot be paid for with this funding source. All costs should be itemized.

The below signed certifies that the information submitted is true and correct to the best of his or her knowledge and that he or she is authorized to submit this application.

Name/organization	Signature	Date
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Funds Available:	\$37,000
Funds Requested:	\$ _____

Submit completed applications to:

by mail:

Courtney Hagain, Coordinator
 Pacific Marine Resources Committee
 P.O. Box 336
 South Bend, WA 98586

in person:

904 W. Robert Bush Dr.
 South Bend, WA 98586

by email:

pacificcounnymrc@gmail.com

For more information, please contact Courtney Hagain; PCMRC Coordinator at pacificcounnymrc@gmail.com or office 360-875-6735.

Appendix A

Performance benchmarks will be used to measure MRC activities and achievement in discrete, but broad categories. Benchmarks developed and adopted by the [Coastal MRC Program Work Group](#) include:

Marine Habitats

Understand, steward, and restore marine, estuarine, coastal, and nearshore habitats, prevent loss, and achieve a net gain of healthy habitat areas by:

- enhancing ecosystem and community resilience by protecting and restoring marine and coastal habitats
- designing and implementing local and regional projects that restore natural processes
- surveying and mapping marine and estuarine resources to better define physical and biological characteristics of marine habitats
- making scientifically based recommendations about management tools to protect marine and estuarine habitats
- understanding and evaluating erosion and promoting sound sediment management practices

Marine Life

Understand, steward, and restore marine and estuarine populations to healthy, sustainable levels by:

- maintaining the health of marine and estuarine species and preventing further ESA listings while increasing access to marine resource enjoyment and harvest where feasible
- balancing protection focus on ecosystem versus target species
- identifying and carrying out actions to protect and restore species of interest and concern
- designing and implementing projects to prevent the introduction and spread of invasive species
- making scientifically based recommendations about management tools for species recovery

Marine and Fresh Water Quality

Understand, steward, and restore marine and estuarine water quality of Washington's coast and coastal embayment's by:

- conducting or supporting science to fill critical data gaps
- working to reduce the input of pollutants
- promoting management actions that would restore degraded water quality and contaminated sediment
- working with and training students and citizens to conduct water quality monitoring

Sound Science

Collect high quality data and promote its transparent presentation, acceptance, and timely dissemination by:

- utilizing established scientific protocols for the collection, analysis and use of data that support the Coastal MRC Program goal
- identifying gaps in data and working to fill those gaps by promoting the development of comprehensive, accessible marine resource databases
- promoting peer reviewed science

Education and Outreach

Promote stewardship and understanding of coastal estuarine and marine resources through science-based education and outreach by:

- informing the public about threats to living resources and coastal communities and presenting them with practical measures they can take to prevent further harm especially regarding land use, erosion control, and individual homeowner decisions
- informing citizens and governmental agencies about ocean energy activities and associated effects on coastal communities
- coordinating outreach and education programs with other organizations, including local community colleges, and evaluating their effectiveness
- engaging the public in active stewardship opportunities through community workshops, restoration projects, and educational programming
- translating and disseminating scientific information about the status of Washington's coastal habitats, resources, and communities to regional policy makers, resource managers, and the public in a timely manner
- expanding partnerships with tribal governments and continuing to foster respect for tribal cultures and treaties
- striving to maintain and improve coordination and communication among stakeholders and all managers

Coastal Communities

Promote sustainable and resilient coastal communities by:

- supporting sustainable marine resource-based industries
- supporting cultural and economic integrity of coastal communities
- encouraging citizen participation in local and governmental decisions regarding marine resources
- engaging in activities aimed at hazard prevention and preparedness, e.g., education
- increasing sustainable access to marine resource enjoyment and harvest