

# 2018 NPS Grant Program Request for Proposals (RFP)

December 5, 2017

## FOR CLEAN WATER ACT §319(h) NONPOINT SOURCE & TIMBER REGULATION AND FOREST RESTORATION FUND GRANTS

**PROPOSALS ARE  
DUE BY 5:00 P.M. ON  
Thursday, February 8, 2018**

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The State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) is accepting proposals for the 2018 Nonpoint Source Grants Program, supported by funds from Clean Water Act § 319(h) and the state Timber Regulation and Forest Restoration Fund. Table 1 shows the RFP schedule.

The 2018 Nonpoint Source Grant Program Guidelines (Guidelines), adopted by the State Water Board on November 21, 2017 are attached. The Guidelines describe program preferences, eligibility requirements, application process and instructions, project selection criteria, and the grant award process.

All applicants requesting funds from the 2018 Nonpoint Source Grant Program must submit a **complete** proposal by **5:00 pm on Thursday, February 8, 2018** using the State Water Board's online Financial Assistance Application Submittal Tool (Financial Application Tool) system at <https://faast.waterboards.ca.gov>.

Applicants are encouraged to submit the proposal early to avoid problems during submission. **Partial or late proposals will not be accepted.** A complete proposal consists of a FAAST application questionnaire and attachments as described in the Guidelines. For additional guidance on what information needs to be included in each attachment, please contact the Regional Water Quality Control Board Nonpoint Source Grant Coordinator.

<b>Table 1: Project Selection Schedule</b>	
➤ Request for Proposal announced	December 5, 2017 (Tuesday)
➤ Proposal due to the State Water Board by 5:00 p.m. <b><i>Proposals submitted after 5:00 p.m. on the due date will not be reviewed or considered for funding</i></b>	February 8, 2018 (Thursday)
➤ Review Panel (comprised of representatives from State Water Board, Regional Water Quality Control Boards, and US EPA) selects proposals for recommendation	Week of April 23, 2018
➤ Review Panel submits recommendation to State Water Board Executive Director for approval	Week of April 30, 2018

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<b>Table 2: Checklist for Completing the Application</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Project Narrative ( <b>Label as Attachment A</b> )
<input type="checkbox"/>	Scope of Work ( <b>Label as Attachment B</b> )
<input type="checkbox"/>	Watershed-Based Plan Verification Table ( <b>Label as Attachment C</b> ) *For CWA section 319 proposals only
<input type="checkbox"/>	Schedule ( <b>Label as Attachment D</b> )
<input type="checkbox"/>	Budget Template ( <b>Label as Attachment E</b> ) (see NPS funding website, <a href="http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/nps/319grants.shtml">http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/nps/319grants.shtml</a> )
<input type="checkbox"/>	Funding Match ( <b>Label as Attachment F</b> )
<input type="checkbox"/>	Project Performance Table - PAEP ( <b>Label as Attachment G</b> )
<input type="checkbox"/>	Project Maps ( <b>Label as Attachment H</b> )
<input type="checkbox"/>	Environmental Clearing Checklist ( <b>Label as Attachment I</b> )
<input type="checkbox"/>	Additional Attachments ( <b>Label as Attachment J</b> )
<p style="color: red;"><b>Attachments <u>must</u> conform to the following formatting requirements:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PDF submittals must be formatted as letter-size paper (8.5" x 11")</li> <li>• Single-spaced</li> <li>• One inch (1-inch) margins</li> <li>• Standard size 11 font or larger</li> </ul>	

For further assistance on the NPS Grant Program, please contact: Jodi Pontureri, (916) 341-5306, [jodi.pontureri@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:jodi.pontureri@waterboards.ca.gov).

For questions about the State Water Board's Financial Application Tool, please call (866) 434-1083 Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m., or email [faast\\_admin@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:faast_admin@waterboards.ca.gov).