

# Timing for IJA Opportunities

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# NOAA IJA Opportunities

Habitat Restoration grants to sustain fisheries, recover protected species and maintain resilient coastal ecosystems and communities. Operated under NOAA Fisheries by the Office of Habitat Conservation.

\$491 million appropriated in total.

No cost share required.

Timing: First round of funding allocated and selections announced in Quarter 3 of 2022.

\$85 M available for Transformational Habitat Restoration and Coastal Resilience grants. Open through Sept. 6 (\$1M - \$15M).

\$10 million available Coastal Habitat Restoration and Resilience Grants for Underserved Communities. Open through Sept. 30 (\$75K - \$1M).



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# NOAA IJA Opportunities

## Coastal Zone Management

**grants** for restoring and protecting coastal ecosystems through direct state investment.

\$207 million available in 5 tranches of \$200 million.

Eligible entities include coastal states and territories.

No cost share required.

Timing: Letters of Intent due on July 29, 2022.



Fish Passage restoration projects that remove in-stream barriers.

\$400 million available. \$65 million for this year.

Eligible entities include state, local, tribal, territorial governments, non-profit 501(c) organizations, educational institutions, or commercial (for-profit) organizations.

No cost share required.

Timing: Proposal submission due August 15.

# NOAA IJA Opportunities

**Marine Debris funding** to better understand the marine debris problem, remove legacy debris, and prevent future debris. Operated under National Ocean Service by the Office of Response and Restoration and [Sea Grant](#).

\$150 million for removal and cleanup through National Ocean Service, and \$50 million for research and capacity building through Sea Grant. \$28 million available through NOS; \$19 million through Sea Grant.

Eligible entities include state, local, and territorial governments; tribal governments and organizations; non-profit 501(c) organizations; educational institutions; or commercial (for-profit) organizations. Small businesses and individuals are also eligible for research opportunities.

Cost sharing at 1:1 ratio federal/non-Federal for removal and 1:2 for research, Waivers available.

Timing: First round of funding allocated and selections announced in Quarter 3 of 2022. Proposals [due September 30, 2022](#) to NOS. Letter of Intent by [Aug. 9 or 16](#) with application by Sept. 30 to Sea Grant.



Plastic debris in marsh grass. Photo credit Dauphin Island Sea Lab



# NOAA IJA Opportunities

**Regional Ocean Partnerships funding** for addressing ocean and coastal issues of common concern by implementing ROP work plans and sharing/integrating data.

\$56 million appropriated. Each region will receive approximately \$1.9 million a year.

Eligible entities include state, territories, and tribal governments. Non-competitive cooperative agreement is the funding mechanism.

No cost share required.

70% of funds to support tackling the climate crisis, the goals of the America the Beautiful challenge, and directing resources to underserved communities. 30% to support enhancing regional capacity to share and integrate federal and non-federal data.

Timing: Regional ocean partnerships have a Sept. 5 deadline.

**Flood and Inundation Mapping and Forecasting, Water Modeling, and Precipitation studies.**

\$492 million appropriated.

However, funding will likely be distributed internally within NOAA, therefore no external funding opportunity is expected at this time.



# Interior IJA Opportunities

**America the Beautiful Challenge** funding intends to support voluntary conservation across the U.S.

\$440 million available in 5 tranches of \$85 million a year, plus private philanthropy.

NFWF is managing the challenge, allowing for cooperative agreements. Funding sourced from Interior, USDA, and DoD.

Cost share is 90% federal / 10% non-Federal from Interior. 50%/50% for USDA NRCS. 80%/20% for Forest Service. No match require from DoD. Reduced match allowed for tribal applicants.

Timing: Initial request for proposals for 2022 due July 21.

**National Fish Passage Program** grants for removal of barriers and technical assistance through U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service.

\$200 million available until expended.

Eligible entities is open.

Timing: \$38 million in first round of funding allocated and announced in April, but the Notice of Funding Opportunity remains open.



# FEMA IJA Opportunities



# FEMA

## **Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) Program** for hazard mitigation.

\$1 Billion available in 5 tranches of \$200 million.

Eligible entities include state, local, tribal, and territorial governments.

Standard cost share is 75% Federal / 25% non-Federal. 90%/10% for economically disadvantaged rural communities.

Timing: Notice of Funding Opportunity open in Fall 2022

## **Flood Mitigation Assistance (FMA) Grants Program** for to reduce or eliminate the risk of repetitive flood damages to buildings or structures.

\$3.5 Billion available in 5 tranches of \$700 million.

Eligible entities include state, local, tribal, and territorial governments.

Standard cost share is 100% Federal / 0% non-Federal for severe repetitive loss structure. 90%/10% for repetitive loss structure; 75%/25% for NFIP insured structures.

Timing: Notice of Funding Opportunity open in Fall 2022

## **Safeguarding Tomorrow through Ongoing Risk Mitigation (STORM) Act** for capitalization grants to establish revolving loan funds for hazard mitigation assistance to local governments.

\$500 million available in 5 tranches of \$100 million.

Eligible entities include state or tribal government that has received a major disaster declaration within the 5-year period preceding the date of enactment of the STORM Act.

Standard cost share is 90% Federal / 10% non-Federal, typically.

Timing: NOFO open late 2023

# EPA IIJA Opportunities

## Geographic Programs for Gulf of Mexico and Lake Pontchartrain Basin.

\$53 million available for each, available until expended.

Gulf of Mexico program funding is for collaborative actions to protect and restore health of the region.

Lake Pontchartrain program funding to carry out the Lake Pontchartrain Basin Comprehensive Plan including water quality monitoring, education, evaluating sewer system designs, and reducing water pollution. The funds will help restore the ecological health of the not just Lake Pontchartrain but all the rivers and lakes that comprise the basin.

Cost share required, but waivers are available.

Timing: TBD



Lake Pontchartrain. Photo Credit CPRA



# USDA IJA Opportunities

The IJA provided \$918 million for USDA Watershed Programs. Approximately \$331 million remains.

The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) is announcing funding in rounds for various watershed priorities. Eligible NRCS programs include the Emergency Watershed Protection (EWP) program, Watershed and Flood Prevention Operations (WFPO), and Watershed Rehabilitation Program (REHAB).

NRCS invested more than \$166.5 million in 108 projects in 23 states in March. NRCS invested in April \$420 million for 132 watershed protection projects in 31 states, including rehabilitating dams, flood prevention, and watershed preservation.

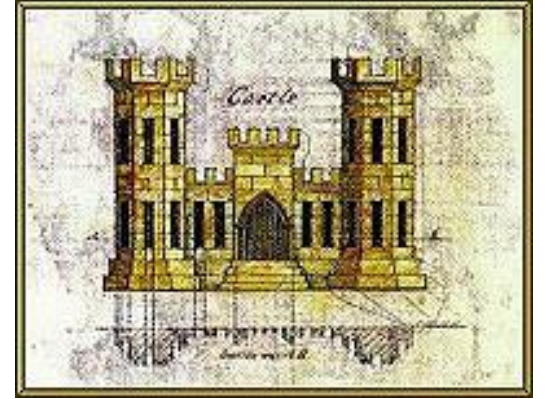
LA NRCS has received the go ahead to conduct Preliminary Investigation and Feasibility Reports for 9 potential projects under the Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention Program

NRCS will continue to review and fund requests as funds are available. NRCS encourages local sponsors to submit requests [through their local program managers](#).



# Remaining Army Corps IJA Funds

Congress directed the Army Corps funding to be allocated in the first three fiscal years. As such, the Biden Administration and Army Corps frontloaded allocation of IJA funds. Some of the earliest discretionary IJA funding announcements across the government came from the Army Corps.



There remains the following amounts of Army Corps funding available:

- \$2.58 billion remains for Construction funding, spread over various categories. Includes approximately \$261 million for Continuing Authorities Program. The Corps allocated \$7.38 billion in FY22 and \$1.65 billion in FY23.
- \$1 billion remains for O&M funding for FY24. The Corps spent \$2 billion for O&M in FY22 and \$1 billion for O&M in FY23.
- Minimal amount remains in Investigations, though there is \$30 million available for pilot projects in disadvantaged or rural communities.
- MR&T funding was fully allocated in FY22.
- FCCE funding was fully allocated in FY22.