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| **ABBREVIATED NOAA ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE QUESTIONNAIRE FOR AQUACULTURE**  |
| Instructions. Answer EVERY question in the yellow square below it. Questions are selected from the full 53-question NOAA Environmental Compliance Questionnaire available at *www.nepa.noaa.gov/questionnaire.pdf*; as such questions are not in numerical order |
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| Grant number and/or Project ID (if available) |
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| Project Title |
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| Name and contact information for the person completing this form |
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| State Sea Grant Program |
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| 1. Describe the proposed activity, including:- its purpose, objectives, and goals;-- sampling, collection, or observation procedures;- any proposed mitigation or monitoring measures;- a description of the proposed impact area, if the proposed activity involves construction, restoration, dredging, excavation, and/or fill;- a description of the equipment or structures (e.g. scientific monitoring equipment, deployment platforms, etc.) that would need to be temporarily or permanently placed in the environment. |
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| 2. List the species of plants and animals that are the subjects of the proposed activity, and describe the numbers (by species, age, sex, stock, location, etc.) to be targeted. Specify which non-native species could be introduced incidentally and how. |
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| 3. List species that would be transplanted or introduced at the site or in its immediate vicinity, and specify whether any would be non-native. Specify which non-native species could be introduced incidentally and how.  |
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| 4. List hazardous substances (as defined by 29 CFR 1910.120(a)(3)) that may be released into the environment or used during the proposed activity. |
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| 5. List hazardous wastes (as defined by 40 CFR 261.3) that may be generated during the proposed activity. |
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| 6. List unique or unknown risks to human health or the environment from the proposed activity. |
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| 7. List any individuals, groups, or organizations that may disapprove of or oppose the proposed activity, and describe the circumstances of their disapproval or opposition. |
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| 8. If the proposed activity is a continuation of an ongoing project, describe any changes to the proposed activity since it was initiated, including progress toward achieving its objectives/goals.  |
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| 10. Describe the proposed activity’s location, including geographic coordinates, river mile markers, etc. and indicate whether it includes unique geographic areas of notable recreational, ecological, scientific, cultural, historical, scenic, or aesthetic importance (Examples include, but are not limited to: coral reefs; marine protected areas; national marine sanctuaries; essential fish habitat; habitat area of particular concern; critical habitat designated under the Endangered Species Act; park or refuge lands; wild or scenic rivers; wetlands; prime or unique farmland; sites listed on the National Register of Natural Landmarks; sites listed or eligible for the National Register of Historic Places; sites that are ecologically significant or critical areas including areas that are normally inundated by water or areas within the 100-year floodplain). |
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| 11. Would the proposed activity degrade or disturb previously undisturbed areas? |
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| 12. Provide maps and graphics of the project location, if applicable.  |
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| 13. If there are previous or ongoing uses of the proposed activity’s site, or other issues, that make it likely that contaminants may be uncovered and/or disturbed by the proposed activity, describe the previous or ongoing uses or other issues of the site, potential contaminant, and the circumstances that may uncover and/or disturb the contaminants. |
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| 14. Specify the proposed start date and duration of the proposed activity. |
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| 16. If the proposed activity would be conducted in partnership with NOAA or require NOAA' s direct involvement, activity, or oversight, describe NOAA' s involvement, activity, or oversight, including the name of the office or program that is involved. |
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| 17. List all other interested or affected Federal, state, and local agencies; Tribal governments, nongovernmental organizations; minority or economically disadvantaged communities; and individuals. Describe listed entities involvement, activity, or oversight regarding the proposed activity. |
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| 18. List all federal, state, or local permits, authorizations, waivers, determinations, or ongoing consultations that would be required for the proposed activity to comply with all applicable environmental laws and regulations. Provide the date the permit, authorization, waiver, or determination was obtained or would be obtained. |
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| 22. If targeted fish would be under the minimum size limit or is the applicant applying for an exemption to the minimum size limit, explain why an exemption is necessary to conduct the proposed activity. |
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| 25. What type and size of gear would be used? Describe any differences between proposed research gear and currently regulated gear. |
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| 35. Is the target species listed as endangered, threatened, or otherwise protected species (under Federal and/or state law; e.g. Endangered Species Act and/or Marine Mammal Protection Act, etc.)? |
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| 37. List non-target species that may occur in the proposed sampling area, and specify how many of each non-targeted species are expected to be caught? |
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