

# New York Sea Grant's Biennial Research Call for 2014-2015

For NYSG's Core Research Program  
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# 1. Geographic areas & institutions

- **Coastal** (land or water)
- **Great Lakes** (Lake Ontario, eastern Lake Erie, St. Lawrence River)
- **Marine district** (Long Island Sound, south shore estuaries, Peconic Bays, NY Harbor, tidal Hudson River)

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- NYSG is a cooperative program of SUNY and Cornell
  - But **all universities and colleges in NY are equally eligible**
  - Other groups, see p.4 of Call

## 2. What is considered research

### YES

- Hypothesis based
- Answer *how* or *why*, not just *what is*
- Developmental work on new methods, models, tools, techniques
- State-of-knowledge synthesis efforts
- Sufficient intellectual content to make it appropriate for university research

### NO

- Solely monitoring or survey efforts
- Efforts that are primarily demonstration projects
- Development of understanding only for its own sake

# 3. Eligible topics and disciplines

- See NYSG's Goals starting on page 3 of the Call
- The research topics are 1.1 thru 7.1
- **The keys are**
  - ❖ to address one of the *listed* research topics
  - ❖ structure the project and specific question so it will *help NYSG achieve the Goal* for that research topic
- “Community” can be any group of people or stakeholders
- Wide variety of research topics
- **Biology, chemistry, physical oceanography, engineering, and the social sciences**
- Also included: social science research to develop approaches or methods that will aid decision-makers in taking action based on scientifically sound research results

# 4. Importance of products & impacts

- **Peer reviewed publications are expected**
- **But more than that is also required**
  - ❖ **Who is the target audience for your results? (not just other researchers)**
  - ❖ **What products (models, techniques, information transfer) will your project contribute?**
  - ❖ **Specifically, how will your results help NYSG achieve the Goals listed in the Call? What impact will your work have? Give examples !!**
- **Preference will be given to high-quality submissions designed to lead to products and knowledge of significance to NYSG Extension staff and their stakeholders**

## **5. Budget info**

- **Budget cap is \$130K per year, for up to 2 years**
- **This must include direct + indirect costs**
- **Pre-proposal should have realistic estimate**
- **No full breakdown is required for pre-proposals**
- **50% non-federal cost share is required**



## 6. Submission requirements

- Deadline is 4:30 PM EST on Friday February 22
- Submission must be via NYSG's website [www.NYSGProposal.org](http://www.NYSGProposal.org)
- Campus sign-offs are not required by NYSG for pre-proposals
- Single pdf file – make sure it is PC-readable
- Early submission is strongly advised
- There will be no exceptions to the deadline



# 7. Review process

## Pre-proposals

- Screened by NYSG staff, panel of PAC, academics
- *Fit* to the Call and *significance* of the specific issue
- Expected *products* and *impacts*
- Likelihood that *approach* will be successful

## Full Proposals

- Similar to pre-proposal with addition of technical peer review and Technical Panel

## Outcomes for NYSG's overall ~\$1M per year

- 14-20 pre-proposals to be invited as full proposals
- 7-10 full proposals to be funded

# 8. Timeline

- **Jan 4, 2013 – Call released**
- **Feb 22, 4:30 PM – deadline for pre-proposal submission**
- **April 11 – selected PIs invited to write full proposals**
- **June 7 – deadline for full proposal submission**
- **July 31 – PIs receive masked peer reviews for response**
- **Aug 7 – deadline for response to reviews**
- **Feb 1, 2014 – start date of successful proposals**

## **9. Contact NYSG staff**

- **The list of staff is in the Call**
- **To make sure you are addressing the most critical questions**
- **To improve your understanding of what info and products may be the most useful to stakeholders**
- **To potentially assist you during the pre-proposal and proposal stages, as well as during and after the project**
- **To answer any questions about the Call**

# 10. Regional or multi-program proposals

- You may include non-NY researchers
- Consider
  - ❖ approaching their SG program for funding
  - ❖ Submitting under the Special Regional Call for the Northeast Sea Grant Consortium (ME thru NY)
  - ❖ Submitting under the Special Regional Call for Mid-Atlantic Sea Grant Programs (NY thru NC)
  - ❖ These Regional Calls are also found at <http://www.seagrantsunysb.edu/proposals>

Be sure to follow the full  
details of the 2014-2015  
Research Call

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Questions ?

