



## **Request for Proposals 2011**

The North Pacific Coast Marine Resources Committee is accepting proposals for marine related projects in Western Jefferson and Clallam Counties. Project proposals can be submitted by individuals, groups or organizations and should range from \$500 to \$20,000. Projects must occur between March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2011 and June 30<sup>th</sup> 2012. Proposals should be submitted no later than end of business on **Friday, February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2011** for guaranteed consideration. There are six priority areas for project consideration that have been identified by the NPC MRC for this 2011-12 round of project funding:

- 1) **Community Art** about the marine environment or how local people use it.
- 2) **Interpretive products and projects** about the marine environment or its use by people.
- 3) **Beach Clean-Ups**: local clean-ups or participation in the coast-wide clean-up.
- 4) **Science projects**: research or monitoring projects by professionals or citizen science groups.
- 5) **Coast-wide Projects**: a project that engages all the Marine Resources Committees (MRCs) on the coast in a joint effort.
- 6) **Ocean Literacy**: Marine oriented K-12 education, citizen science programs, a community Speakers Bureau, or marine science education opportunities for local educators.

Projects should also try and address as many of the benchmarks developed and adopted by the Coastal MRC Program Work Group [<http://wdfw.wa.gov/about/volunteer/mrc/index.html>] as possible (listed in the NPC MRC project Proposal Application Form). Submit by email ([rosborne@co.clallam.wa.us](mailto:rosborne@co.clallam.wa.us)) or mail by the end of business February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2012 to:

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## PROPOSED PROJECT FORM

Project information must include:

- **Name of project:** \_\_\_\_\_  
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- **Description:** (A short narrative description of the proposed project; limit it to 1-2 paragraphs):  
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- **Justification:** (one sentence explaining why the project is appropriate for MRC funding or how it achieves one or more of the six benchmarks listed on the attached 2 page description of program priorities):  
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## Project Implementation Schedule

Project Beginning Date:

Project Ending Date:

PROJECT ACTION	INITIATION DATE	COMPLETION DATE	RESPONSIBLE PERSON OR AGENT

### North Pacific Coast Project Budget Sheet

EXPENSE CATEGORIES	Specific Element	Rate or Cost calculation	Cost to MRC AMOUNT	Outside Funding Source	Outside Contribution AMOUNT	TOTAL EXPENSE
<b>SALARIES &amp; BENEFITS:</b>	Project Manager/P.I.					
	Project Assistant(s)					
<b>CONTRACTED SERVICES:</b>						
<b>TRAVEL:</b>						
<b>EQUIPMENT:</b>						
<b>SUPPLIES (goods &amp; serv.):</b>						
<b>Sub-Totals:</b>						

## WDFW Marine Resources Committees

### Program Overview Performance Benchmarks

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 [link to page] 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 embayments 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