

Summer Education Opportunities



Request for proposals

The Prince William Sound Oil Spill Recovery Institute (OSRI) in Cordova, Alaska has supported summer programs to educate people on topics within our mission. Camps, weekend education programs, and day activities can be used to work with students of all ages to provide hands-on learning opportunities about marine ecosystems and spill response. OSRI's mandate has changed over the course of time to include all of Alaska's marine waters. In response we want to revisit our education program to find ways to increase the geographic scope of our activities.

OSRI seeks to fund a single, five-year proposal that demonstrates the capability to identify oil spill related activities and avenues to develop partnerships that can lead to spill related activities being included in several different summer programs. The intent is for the first year to be for planning – including identifying specific activities and partners, the second year for activity development and testing, and out years for implementation with the partners. Funding for years two through five is dependent on providing a high quality plan. The anticipated funding profile is FY11 (\$10K), FY12 (\$10K), FY13 (\$12K), FY14 (\$12K) and FY15 (\$15K). Funding in future years is dependent on OSRI revenue and successful completion of deliverables described in the proposal.

Program objectives

The objective is to develop and share activities that can easily be incorporated into existing summer education programs. The desire is that the activities would continue to be supported by the host organization without direct funding from OSRI. During FY 11 the successful applicant is expected to identify activities and partners, and clearly outline a plan for transitioning the activities to the partner organizations. We desire a partnership that includes organizations from diverse regions and/or reach diverse types of audiences.

The proposed activities must be linked to OSRI's mission and goals. A description of OSRI and our mission and goals at <http://www.pws-osri.org/>. Grant application materials can be found at http://www.pws-osri.org/grants/app_proc.shtml. **The deadline for submitting applications is February 21, 2011.** Funding is anticipated to begin on July 1, 2011. Applicants are encouraged to contact: Dr. Scott Pegau, OSRI Research Program Manager (wspogau@pwssc.org) if you have questions regarding this opportunity.

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