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NFWF Announces Release of the National Coastal Resilience Fund 2019 Request for Proposals

The National Coastal Resilience Fund will award up to \$29 million in grant funding to enhance coastal communities' natural defenses against severe weather and flooding

WASHINGTON D.C. (April 03, 2019) –The [National Fish and Wildlife Foundation](#) (NFWF) today announced the release of the 2019 Request for Proposals for the [National Coastal Resilience Fund](#) (NCRF), which provides grant funding to restore, increase and strengthen natural infrastructure to protect coastal communities, while also enhancing habitats for fish and wildlife.

This year, Congress has again provided funding for Title IX of the National Oceans and Coastal Security Act, allowing grants to be awarded through the NCRF, a public-partnership between NFWF, [NOAA](#), [Shell Oil Company](#) and [TransRe](#).

NCRF pre-proposals are due May 20, 2019. The full Request for Proposals can be found here: <http://www.nfwf.org/coastalresilience/Pages/2019rfp.aspx>.

The NCRF will invest up to \$29 million in projects that restore or expand natural features such as coastal marshes and wetlands, dune and beach systems, oyster and coral reefs, mangroves, coastal forests and rivers, and barrier islands that help minimize the impacts of storms, rising sea levels and other extreme events. Projects funded will be located within the coastal areas of U.S. coastal states, including the Great Lakes states. U.S. territories including Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands are also eligible for funding support.

Building on the significant coordination and planning that has already been done in many of the nation's coastal communities and recognizing the need for action, the partnership will focus investments on projects that have been prioritized within existing community or regional resilience plans. Priority will be given to:

- Project Preliminary Design and Site Assessment
- Project Final Design and Permitting
- Project Implementation and Monitoring

Funding is available for innovative projects that seek to reshape thinking on how to protect communities in light of projected environmental stressors that may go beyond traditional habitat restoration alone, to develop truly novel approaches to address these challenges. Each investment will seek to incorporate and support adaptation to the projected future conditions.

For additional information about the NCRF, please visit:
<https://www.nfwf.org/coastalresilience/Pages/home.aspx>

About the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation

Chartered by Congress in 1984, the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (NFWF) protects and restores the nation's fish, wildlife, plants and habitats. Working with federal, corporate and individual partners, NFWF has funded more than 4,500 organizations and committed more than \$5.3 billion to conservation projects. Learn more at www.nfwf.org.

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