

Introduction to the National Coastal Resilience Fund and the NCRF Field Liaisons



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What is Throwe Environmental?

Throwe Environmental has been contracted by NFWF as the **Field Liaison** for the NCRF. As Field Liaisons, Throwe Environmental supports the NCRF program by:

- *Promoting climate resilience and the NCRF program*
- *Providing follow-up and feedback on proposals that were not selected for funding*
- *Supporting existing grantees through check-ins and troubleshooting*



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Program Overview

- Administered by NFWF, est. 2018
- Leverages public-private partnerships (P3s) for conservation outcomes
- \$140M investment for coastal resilience projects that provide resilience AND fish and wildlife benefits

2023 Partnerships

- National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (NFWF)
- National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)
- United States Department of Defense (DOD)
- TransRe
- Shell
- Occidental Petroleum



NCRF Priorities

Required

- Nature-based solutions
- Community resilience benefit
- Fish and wildlife benefit

Preferred

- Community impact and engagement
- Innovation
- Transferability
- Sustainability

“NCRF Footprint”

- All U.S. coastal states, including the Great Lakes, and territories.
- Eligible areas:
 - Coastal HUC-8 watersheds that drain to the ocean or Great Lakes
 - Adjacent HUC-8 watersheds that are low-lying or tidally influenced





NCRF Eligibility

Eligible

- State, Tribal, Territorial govt. agencies
- Municipal government
- Non-profit 501(c) organizations
- Educational institutions
- Commercial organizations
- Semi-federal orgs./federal partnerships*

Ineligible

- Federal agencies or employees of federal agencies
- Foreign organizations
- Foreign public entities
- Unincorporated individuals

NCRF Priority Categories

1. Community Capacity Building & Planning (CCBP)

OR

2. Site Assessment & Preliminary Design (SA/PD)

OR

3. Final Design & Permitting (FD/P)

OR

4. Restoration Implementation (RI)

Planning-Level Grant

Project-Level Grants

Notes:

- Pick **one** priority category based on desired outcome
- Pipeline intended to prepare you for next stage
- All projects advance community resilience **AND** fish and wildlife benefits
- Focus on nature-based solutions

NCRF Priority Categories

1. Community Capacity Building & Planning (CCBP) →

2. Site Assessment & Preliminary Design (SA/PD)

3. Final Design & Permitting (FD/P)

4. Restoration and Monitoring (R&M)

- **Avg. project length:** 2yrs
- **Outcome:** Comprehensive plan
- **Key components:**
 - Stakeholder engagement, capacity-building
 - Planned resilience projects that include nature-based features

NCRF Priority Categories

1. Community Capacity Building & Planning (CCBP)

2. Site Assessment & Preliminary Design (SA/PD) →

3. Final Design & Permitting (FD/P)

4. Restoration and Monitoring (R&M)

- **Avg. project length:** 1yr
- **Outcome:** Preliminary design (30-60%), “go-no go” decision, determines appropriate site(s)
- **Key components:**
 - Projects prioritized in previous planning activities
 - Focus on specific assessment
 - Preliminary conversations with permitters
 - May include baseline monitoring

NCRF Priority Categories

1. Community Capacity Building & Planning (CCBP)

2. Site Assessment & Preliminary Design (SA/PD)

3. Final Design & Permitting (FD/P)

4. Restoration and Monitoring (R&M)



- **Avg. project length:** 1.5yrs
- **Outcome:** Final design (90-100%), permitting conversations
- **Key components:**
 - Position projects for restoration-ready implementation
 - Readiness for permitting
 - May include baseline monitoring

NCRF Priority Categories

1. Community Capacity Building & Planning (CCBP)

2. Site Assessment & Preliminary Design (SA/PD)

3. Final Design & Permitting (FD/P)

4. Restoration Implementation (RI)



- **Avg. project length:** ≤ 3 yrs + 1 yr monitoring
- **Outcome:** Implementation and monitoring
- **Key components:**
 - Projects prioritized in previous planning activities
 - Completed assessments & designs
 - Readiness to secure all permits and other necessary approvals



FAQ & Additional Information

- Non-federal match (cash or in-kind) not required, but encouraged to demonstrate broad support for the project
- Compliance with all necessary federal, state, and local permitting
- “Rebuilds,” research projects, and non-natural structures are not priorities, hybrid projects are acceptable
- MUST have clear benefits to community resilience (i.e, flooding and erosion) **AND** fish, wildlife, and habitat*
- Invests in nature-based solutions (NBS)
- Priority given to projects that demonstrate transferability, innovation, and sustainability, and projects that are led by or meaningfully engage Tribes and underserved communities
- Two stages: pre- and full proposal

We want to work with you!

Think you might have a project suited for funding? We want to...

- *Give you more information about NCRF and other resilience funding programs*
- *Provide guidance on project ideas, “dos and don’ts”*
- *Give feedback on projects that aren’t funded, help you become more competitive*

Reach out to us at ncrf@throwe-environmental.com



Note: Guidance and feedback will be given as appropriate/permitted by NFWF guidelines