



Call for Proposals Fishery Research Program



Pre-proposals for the 2013 funding cycle for the Fishery Research Program of the Great Lakes Fishery Commission are now being solicited. For more details [click here](#).

Deadline:

Saturday, January 15, 2012 11:59 PM EST. Pre-proposals received after this deadline will not be considered.

The complete program funding schedule has changed. Please review the updated schedule at <http://www.glf.org/research/FRps.php>.

New projects may not begin before January 1, 2013. Awards will be up to \$200,000 per year. Awards are generally between \$35,000 and \$100,000 per year. Total annual funding available for new Fishery Research Program projects is approximately \$350,000, and possibly as much as an additional \$475,000 for projects focused on restoration or native fish species.

Submission Procedures:

Pre-proposals are to be submitted online at: http://research.glf.org/Pre_Proposal/login.cfm. Further instructions can be found within the website. Pre-proposal templates can be downloaded from the website above or by clicking on the link below. <http://www.glf.org/research/PreproposalFormat.doc> (Right click to download the document). Please follow instructions imbedded within the template provided for completing the pre-proposal.

Proposal Evaluation:

Proposals will be evaluated against the information needs described by the [Research Themes](#) (see below) under which they are submitted or the information needs described by the [Lake Committees' research priorities](#).

Fishery Research Program:

This year, the GLFC Fishery Research Program will focus on projects in one of the following themes:

- [Fish Health and Ecosystem Dysfunction](#)
- [Human Dimensions](#)
- [Physical Processes and Fish Recruitment in Large Lakes](#)
- [Restoration of Native Deep-water Fishes](#)
- [Council of Lake Committees](#)

Projects are especially encouraged in one or more of the research questions or research priorities established in research theme areas listed above. Other research pre-proposals will be entertained but will have a lower priority.

Areas of special interest:

- Fish health projects should develop specific research questions, but in an ecosystem context (see [Fish Health and Ecosystem Dysfunction](#) theme paper).
- Using human dimensions research to improve natural resource decision-making. (see [Human Dimensions](#) theme paper).
- Identifying what physical processes have direct and indirect effects on fish recruitment (see [Physical Processes and Fish Recruitment in Large Lakes](#) theme paper)
- Additional funds may be available for projects that investigate and promote restoration of native fish species, including ecological research to advance restoration, the actual reintroduction of native species, and assessment of reintroductions. Proposed research must ultimately strive to improve biological understanding of native fish communities and to provide management agencies with new techniques and understanding essential for species re-establishment (see [Restoration of Native Deep-water Fishes](#)).

