# Marine Protected Area Monitoring Program Bidders Webinar

November 15, 2018, 1:00-2:30 pm

Registration Link: https://ucsd.zoom.us/j/839453585 Call - In Number: 1-669-900-6833 or 1-646-558-8656 Meeting ID: 839 453 585









## Webinar Rules and Etiquette

- Keep your microphone muted and video off, please
- Questions accepted only at the end of our brief, formal presentation
- This webinar will be recorded and posted on CA Sea Grant's webpage: <u>https://caseagrant.ucsd.edu/grants-and-</u> <u>funding/mpa19-call-for-submissions</u>
- Please reserve very specific questions (relevant to your project only) for email to CDFW, OPC, and/or CA Sea Grant staff.

# Webinar Objectives

- Describe the purposes and priorities of the Marine
  Protected Area Monitoring
  Program
- Go over important application components
- Answer questions that potential applicants may have



# **Organizational Roles**





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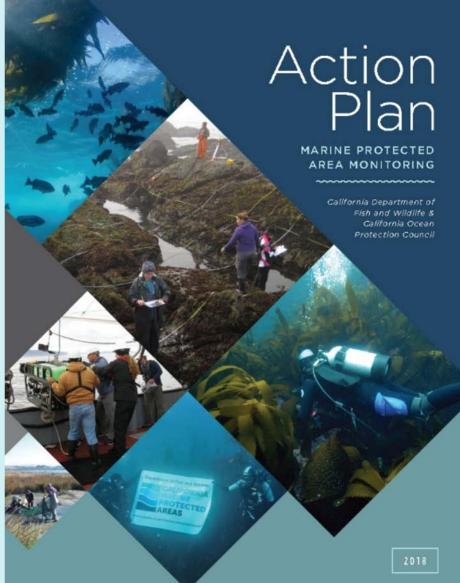
MPA policy lead; grant manager to Sea Grant

Manages submission receipt and review; grant administrator to funded projects

MPA management lead; monitoring partner

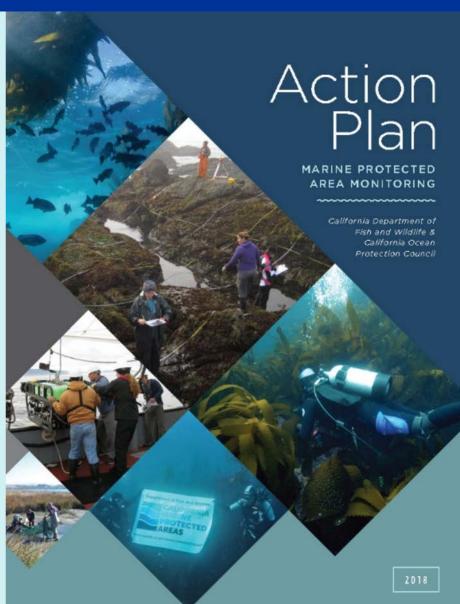
# **Solicitation Objectives**

- Implement long-term monitoring strategies outlined in the Action Plan
- Better integrate Traditional Ecological Knowledge (TEK) into long-term monitoring and adaptive management
- Inform adaptive management and evaluation of CA's MPA Network



# **Solicitation Parameters**

- OPC has authorized \$9.5 million to support the MPA Monitoring Program (Phase 2) over a 3-year period
- Work to begin as early as 16 May 2019, and must end by 15 May 2022
- Submissions are due to CASG by 5:00 pm Pacific Time on Thursday, 20 December 2018.
  FIRM DEADLINE!



# Eligibility

#### Individuals associated with:

- Higher education institutions
- Federal, state, local, and tribal governments
- Non-profit organizations
- Commercial organizations



## Submission Type: Qualification Request

## Long-term Monitoring Action Plan priorities:

- <u>Statewide</u> data collection for priority habitat types, human uses, sites, measures and metrics, and species
- Analyses to assess Network performance and inform adaptive management



## Submission Type: Full Proposal Request

- Develop inclusive process to advance statewide collection and use of TEK to help inform the adaptive management of California's MPA Network
  - Formal collaboration with California Native American Tribes is a requirement



## **Required Submission Content**

- Signed and institutionally endorsed cover page(s)
- Project Narrative/Project Description file
  - o <u>15 pages</u> maximum for the project description
  - Plus other **required** information to be included in the Project Narrative file – not subject to the 15-page limit

**\*\*NOTE:** Depending on the submission type, the content of your project narrative file will be different. Please closely review the full solicitation.

- Project Budget(s) Excel spreadsheet
  - Including "Current & Pending Research Support"
- (Optional) Letters of Support (note CDFW/OPC cannot provide these)

### **Application Submission**

#### Due date: December 20, 2018 by 5:00pm PT

#### http://eseagrant2.ucsd.edu

Since this is a relatively new system, if PIs have not used eSeaGrant within the past year, you will need to register, even if previously established in the old system. Please click on the "Register" tab to get set up if necessary.

#### Start your application early!



## **Proposal Evaluation Criteria**

- 1. Project relevance and applicability to the objectives of the Monitoring Program and MPA Monitoring Action Plan (Action Plan),
- 2. Data management, accessibility, and usability
- 3. Scientific/technical merit
- 4. Partnerships, collaborations, and local expertise
- 5. Project costs and funding leverage
- 6. Assessment of qualifications of project lead(s), demonstrated capacity of project support teams, access to facilities, and resources to complete the project.
- 7. Project management experience, expertise, and skills



#### **Proposal Review Process**

- Review panel composed of expert scientists and persons familiar with TEK working in consultation with relevant staff from CDFW and OPC
- Funding recommendations will be made jointly by Sea Grant, CDFW, and OPC
- Revision of submitted proposals and budgets is possible
- Final project recommendations will be brought to the OPC for approval in May, 2019



# Program Timeline

| Year | Date                   | Deliverable   |
|------|------------------------|---|
| 2018 | December 20, 5:00 pm   | Project Submission deadline to eSeagrant                      |
| 2019 | Mid February           | Submission review   |
|      | Mid-Late February      | OPC, CDFW, CASG work with PIs to modify projects, as required |
|      | Mid March              | Project selection completed and PIs notified                  |
|      | Late March-mid May     | CASG works with provisional awardees to set up awards         |
|      | May 15                 | OPC formally approves award recommendations                   |
|      | May 16 (approximately) | CASG distributes awards to PIs, work begins                   |
| 2020 | May 15                 | Annual Report from PIs due to CASG                            |
| 2021 | May 15                 | Annual Report from PIs due to CASG                            |
|      | October 31             | Draft final report due to CASG                                |
|      | Nov-Dec                | CASG, OPC, CDFW review draft technical reports                |
| 2022 | February 1             | Revised final reports and raw data and metadata due to CASG   |
|      | May 15                 | Project completion  |

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### **Questions?**

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