Mississippi River Gulf of Mexico Watershed Nutrient Task Force

Hypoxia Task Force

Funding Opportunities from HTF Federal Agencies for Watersheds

Agency: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)

Program Name	<u>Overview</u>	FY 2014 Funding <u>Level</u>
Coastal Services Center Cooperative Agreements	The mission of the NOAA Coastal Services Center (CSC) is to support the environmental, social, and economic well being of the coast by linking people, information, and technology.	\$3.210 million
Coastal Zone Management Administration Awards	This program assists states in implementing and enhancing Coastal Zone Management Administration (CZMA) programs that have been approved by the Secretary of Commerce.	\$66 million (est.)
National Sea Grant College Program	The National Sea Grant College Program encourages the wise use and stewardship of marine and coastal environmental resources through research, education, outreach and technology transfer. Sea Grant works in partnership between the nation's universities and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.	\$68 million

More funding opportunities from NOAA can be found here: http://coastalscience.noaa.gov/funding/

- 2015 Ecological Effects of Sea Level Rise Program
- 2015 Northern Gulf of Mexico Ecosystems and Hypoxia Assessment Program (NGOMEX);
 Glider Application to Gulf of Mexico Hypoxic Zone Monitoring: Pilot Study and Transition to Operations
- <u>Center for Sponsored Coastal Ocean Research, Fiscal Year 2015 National Competitive HAB</u> Programs (for ECOHAB, MERHAB and PCMHAB)

Agency: U.S. Department of Agriculture

Program Name	<u>Overview</u>	FY 2014 Funding Level
Conservation Reserve Program	The Conservation Reserve Program (CRP) is a voluntary program for agricultural landowners. Through CRP, you can receive annual rental payments and cost-share assistance to establish long-term, resource conserving covers on eligible farmland.	\$1.965 billion

Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCPP)	The Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCPP) is a new farm bill program that gives NRCS the authority to enhance regional cooperation to implement and maintain conservation activities, thereby promoting the restoration and sustainable use of soil, water, wildlife, and related natural resources on regional or watershed scales.	\$400 million (apprx)
Environmental Quality Incentives Program	The USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service's Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) was established to provide a voluntary conservation program for agricultural producers to address significant natural resource needs and objectives.	\$981.7 million (financial as

Agency: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

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Clean Water State Revolving Fund	The EPA's Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) program provides a permanent source of low-cost financing for a wide range of water quality infrastructure projects. These projects include traditional wastewater treatment and collection, nonpoint source pollution controls, and estuary management.	\$1.1 billion (est.)
Wetlands Program Development Grants	The EPA's Wetland Program Development Grants are intended to encourage comprehensive wetlands program development by promoting the coordination and acceleration of research, investigations, experiments, training, demonstrations, surveys, and studies relating to the causes, effects, extent, prevention, reduction, and elimination of water pollution.	\$14.66 million
Nonpoint Source Implementatio n Grants (319 Program)	Through its 319 program, EPA provides formula grants to the states, territories and tribes to implement nonpoint source programs and projects and programs in accordance with section 319 of the Clean Water Act (CWA). Most states provide opportunities for 3rd parties to apply for funds under a state request for proposal.	\$159.3 million
Urban Waters Small Grants	EPA's Urban Waters Program protects and restores America's urban waterways.	\$2.08 (est.)

Gulf of Mexico Program	The goals of the GOM Program are (1) To assist States, Indian Tribes, interstate agencies, and other public or nonprofit organizations in developing, implementing, and demonstrating innovative approaches relating to the causes, effects, extent, prevention, reduction, and elimination of water pollution; and (2) To expand and strengthen cooperative efforts to restore and protect the health and productivity of the Gulf of Mexico in ways consistent with the economic well-being of the region.	\$2.5 million (est.)
Great Lakes Program	USEPA leads a consortium of programs, agencies, and public and private institutions in attaining specific objectives and actions that will address the most significant Great Lakes ecosystem problems and efforts in five major focus areas: Toxic Substances and Areas of Concern; Invasive Species; Nearshore Health and Nonpoint Source Pollution; Habitat and Wildlife Protection and Restoration; Accountability, Education, Monitoring, Evaluation, Communication and Partnerships.	\$200 million (est.)

More resources on federal funding for watersheds can be found here:

- http://water.epa.gov/grants_funding/shedfund/federal.cfm
- https://ofmpub.epa.gov/apex/watershedfunding/f?p=fedfund:1
- http://water.epa.gov/grants_funding/shedfund/governments.cfm