

Gulf of Mexico Science and Restoration Program Funding

2021 - 2023 Funding Opportunities

NOAA Restore Science Program

Details	2021	2022	2023
Funding Opportunity Name		Research and Application - Actionable Science	
Amount		\$10--15M	
Length of Awards		3-4 years	
Expected Number of Awards		~10	
Release Date		Spring 2022	
Letter of Intent Required		Y	
Letter of Intent Deadline		TBD	
Full Proposal Deadline		TBD	
Topic		Actionable science in the Gulf of Mexico region focused on informing a specific natural resource management decision	
Additional Information		NA	
Link to Funding Opportunity		TBD	

Funding Opportunity Name	Synthesis		Synthesis
Amount	\$1-2M		\$1-2M
Length of Awards	1-2 years		1-2 years
Expected Number of Awards	2-10 projects		2-10 projects
Release Date	Late 2021 or Early 2022		Late 2023
Letter of Intent Required	TBD		TBD
Letter of Intent Deadline	TBD		TBD
Full Proposal Deadline	TBD		TBD
Topic	Scientific synthesis focused on the use of large datasets by multidisciplinary teams to gain new insights into ecological processes in the Gulf of Mexico		Scientific synthesis focused on the use of large datasets by multidisciplinary teams to gain new insights into ecological processes in the Gulf of Mexico
Additional Information	NA		NA
Link to Funding Opportunity	TBD		TBD

NAS Gulf Research Program

Funding opportunities with the National Academy of Sciences Gulf Research Program are expected to be released in early 2021. They will be:

Innovative Community Engagement Methods: This funding opportunity will support implementation or testing of innovative, science-based community engagement methods at the local level.

Using Data to Inform Decision Making: This funding opportunity will promote the access, use and integration of science data and analysis to inform decision-making related to planning, policy, or project implementation at the local level.

More details on these opportunities will be available soon. Please contact [Daniel Burger](#) for more information or visit our [website](#).

Gulf Coast Ecosystem Restoration Council

The RESTORE Council funds and implements projects and programs through its eleven state and federal members. Individual Council member agencies may solicit proposals for projects and/or programs from any entity and the general public that they can then submit to the Council for funding consideration.

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- [Alabama](#)
- [Florida](#)
- [Louisiana](#)
- [Mississippi](#)
- [Texas](#)

In 2019-20 the Council solicited proposals for its next funded priorities list (FPL 3b). The [draft FPL 3b](#) was released in November 2020. Following a 50-day public review and comment period, The Council will review comments on the draft FPL 3b that are received by the close of the public comment and review period, and release a response to those public comments. The Council anticipates voting on the draft FPL 3b in spring of 2021. Opportunities for public engagement with Council-led activities can be found on the Council's [website](#). Subscribe to receive [RESTORE Eblast email updates](#) for the most current news from the Council.

National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Gulf Environmental Benefit Fund

NFWF anticipates carrying out one project selection cycle per year. NFWF will begin the project review process each spring through intense consultation with state and federal resource agencies. NFWF will consult with state natural resource agencies, NOAA, and US FWS to identify projects that meet conditions of the plea agreements to be supported by the fund. NFWF retains sole authority to make final decisions. For more information please visit the Gulf Environmental Benefit Fund website at: <https://www.nfwf.org/gulf-environmental-benefit-fund>

Natural Resource Damage Assessment (NRDA) Trustee Council

The NRDA Trustee Council will implement restoration projects and monitoring and adaptive management projects through Restoration Plans developed and funded by the Trustee Implementation Groups (TIGs). Additionally, strategic restoration planning and programmatic monitoring and adaptive management activities may be funded by the TIGs through TIG resolutions. Each of the TIGs provides opportunities for the public to offer restoration project ideas through the Trustee Council project idea submission database as well as through project idea submission databases run by each of the five Gulf States:

- [Trustee Council](#)
- [Mississippi](#)
- [Texas](#)
- [Louisiana](#)
- [Alabama](#)
- [Florida](#)

You can also sign up at gulfpullrestoration.noaa.gov to receive NRDA Trustee Council [email updates](#), which include requests for project ideas as each TIG begins work on a new restoration plan.

Florida RESTORE Act Centers of Excellence Program

Funding opportunities with the Florida RESTORE Act Centers of Excellence Program are still in development and are expected to be released in mid-2021. Please contact [Cam Ngo](#) for more information or visit our [website](#).

Mississippi Based RESTORE Act Center of Excellence (MBRACE)

The Mississippi Based RESTORE Act Center of Excellence anticipates releasing a competition in 2023. The specific details for this competition have not been determined yet. You can find more information on our [website](#).

RESTORE Act Center of Excellence for Louisiana (LA-COE)

Details	2021	2022	2023
Funding Opportunity Name	RFP 2 The RESTORE Act Center of Excellence for Louisiana		
Amount	\$2.3 million		
Length of Awards	2-year or less		
Expected Number of Awards	10 awards		
Release Date	Early February 2021		
Letter of Intent Required	Yes		
Letter of Intent Deadline	TBD		
Full Proposal Deadline	TBD		
Topic	Projects submitted for these awards must support research directly related to the implementation of Louisiana's Coastal Master Plan which guides the state's coastal restoration and protection work.		
Additional Information	"Save the date" was sent on December 18th, 2020.		
Link to Funding Opportunity	Website		

RESTORE Act Center of Excellence Texas, Texas OneGulf

Texas OneGulf is focused on science driven solutions to Gulf problems. The Texas OneGulf process gathers input from Texas stakeholders and through Texas policy and decision makers, NGOs, business and industry, and human health institutes. Funded projects are selected through a Committee-based Selection Process. Consultation between the Texas OneGulf Consortium Leadership (TOCL) and the Texas OneGulf Agency Council (TOAC), in conjunction with the Strategic Research and Action Plan (SRAP), is used to identify tiered, priority decision-making needs, which are then crafted into research questions that form the basis of proposals from OneGulf members. Proposals must be developed through a co-production process that involves interdisciplinary researchers (as appropriate) and research end-users. It is anticipated that OneGulf Priority Needs will be posted on the [Texas OneGulf website](#) in Spring 2021.

Contact [Dr. Katya Wowk](#) for further information.

Alabama RESTORE Act Center of Excellence Program

Details	2021	2022	2023
Funding Opportunity Name	ALCOE RFP 1		
Amount	~ \$5 million		
Length of Awards	3 years		
Expected Number of Awards	9 -12		
Release Date	January 4th, 2021		
Letter of Intent Required	Yes		
Letter of Intent Deadline	Friday, February 12, 2021		
Full Proposal Deadline	Friday, March 19, 2021		
Topic	COE priority disciplines (1,2,4,5), climate change, multi-stressor		
Link to Funding Opportunity	TBD		

Treasury Department's Office of Gulf Coast Restoration

Details	2021	2022	2023
Funding Opportunity Name	(2 FOAs): RESTORE Act Non-Construction Activities / RESTORE Act Direct Component - Construction & Real Property Activities	RESTORE Act Centers of Excellence Research Grants Program	
Amount	N/A	N/A	
Length of Awards	1 - 5 years	1 - 5 years	
Expected Number of Awards	Eligible applicants may submit one or more applications	Each of five eligible applicants may apply for its share of funds	
Release Date	1/1/2021 (extension of existing FOA that expires on 12/31/2020)	TBD	
Letter of Intent Required	N/A	N/A	
Letter of Intent Deadline	N/A	N/A	
Full Proposal Deadline	31-Dec-21	TBD	
Topic	11 eligible activities described in the RESTORE Act (Sec. 1603)	Funds used by those Centers of Excellence for science, technology, and monitoring in one or more of the disciplines specified in RESTORE Act (Sec. 1605)	
Link to Funding Opportunity	FOA - Direct Component Non-Construction Activities. FOA - Direct Component Construction & Real Property Activities	TBD	

Subsea Systems Institute

Details	2021	2022	2023
Funding Opportunity Name		SSI Mission Research	
Amount		\$25-100,000 direct costs	
Length of Awards		18 months	
Expected Number of Awards		Six-twelve	
Release Date		Oct-22	
Letter of Intent Required		No	
Letter of Intent Deadline		N/A	
Full Proposal Deadline		11/30/22	
Topic		SSI Mission Research	
Additional Information		www.subseasystems.institute	
Link to Funding Opportunity		www.subseasystems.institute	