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The meeting will be open to the public. Please notify CSB if a translator or interpreter is needed, at least 5 business days prior to the public meeting. For more information, please contact the Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board at (202) 261-7600, or visit our Web site at: [www.csb.gov](http://www.csb.gov).

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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#### Availability of Grant Funds for Fiscal Year 2004

**AGENCY:** National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Department of Commerce (DOC).

**ACTION:** Omnibus Notice Announcing the Availability of Grant Funds for Fiscal Year 2004

**SUMMARY:** The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) announces a second availability of grant funds for Fiscal Year 2004. The purpose of this notice is to provide the general public with a single source of program and application information related to the Agency's competitive grant offerings, and it contains the information about those programs required to be published in the **Federal Register**. This second omnibus notice is designed to replace the multiple **Federal Register** notices that traditionally advertised the availability of NOAA's discretionary funds for its various programs. It should be noted that additional program initiatives unanticipated at the time of the publication of this notice may be announced through both subsequent **Federal Register** notices and the NOAA website: <http://www.ofa.noaa.gov/~amd/SOLINDEX.HTML>

**DATES:** Proposals must be received by the date and time indicated under each program listing in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section.

**ADDRESSES:** Proposals must be submitted to the addresses listed in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section for each program.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For a copy of the full funding opportunity announcement and/or application kit, please contact the person listed as the information contact under each program or access it via NOAA's website: <http://www.ofa.noaa.gov/~amd/SOLINDEX.HTML>

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** NOAA published its first omnibus notice announcing the availability of grant funds for both projects and fellowships/scholarships/internships for Fiscal Year 2004 in the **Federal Register** on June 30, 2003 (68 FR 38678). The evaluation criteria and selection procedures contained in the June 30, 2003 omnibus notice are applicable to this solicitation. For a copy of the June 30, 2003 omnibus notice, please go to: <http://www.ofa.noaa.gov/~amd/SOLINDEX.HTML>

#### Electronic Access

The full funding announcement for each program is available via website: <http://www.ofa.noaa.gov/~amd/SOLINDEX.HTML> or by contacting the program official identified below. These announcements will also be available through FedGrants at <http://www.fedgrants.gov>.

#### NOAA Project Competitions

This second omnibus notice describes funding opportunities for the following NOAA discretionary grant programs:

##### *National Marine Fisheries Service*

##### 1. Bay Watershed Education & Training (B-WET) Program

Summary Description: The B-WET grant program is a competitively based program that supports existing environmental education programs, fosters the growth of new programs, and encourages the development of partnerships among environmental education programs throughout the entire Chesapeake Bay watershed. Funded projects assist in meeting the Stewardship and Community Engagement goals of the Chesapeake 2000 Agreement. Projects support organizations that provide students "meaningful" Chesapeake Bay or stream outdoor experiences and professional development opportunities for teachers in the area of environmental education related to the Chesapeake Bay watershed.

Funding Availability: This solicitation announces that approximately \$1.85M may be available in FY 2004 in award amounts to be determined by the proposals and available funds. The NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office (NCBO) anticipates that approximately 30 grants

will be awarded with these funds. About \$925,000 will be for proposals that provide opportunities for students (K through 12) to participate in a "Meaningful" Chesapeake Bay or Stream Outdoor Experience. Of the amount available for this area of interest, about \$100,000 will be awarded to smaller, community-based organizations that work at a local level to provide environmental education programs. About \$925,000 will be for proposals that provide opportunities for Professional Development in the area of Environmental Education for Teachers within the Chesapeake Bay Watershed. The NCBO anticipates that typical project awards for "Meaningful" Bay or Stream Outdoor Experiences and Professional Development in the Area of Environmental Education for Teachers will range from \$10,000 to \$150,000. Proposals will be considered for funds greater than the specified range.

Statutory Authority: 16 U.S.C 661, 15 U.S.C. 1540.

CFDA: 11.457 Chesapeake Bay Studies, Education.

Application Deadline: Preliminary proposals must be received by 5 p.m. eastern standard time (EST) on November 17, 2003. Full proposals must be received by 5 p.m. EST on December 31, 2003.

Address for submitting Proposals: NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office; Education Coordinator; 410 Severn Avenue, Suite 107A; Annapolis, MD 21403.

Information Contact(s): Shannon Sprague; 410-267-5664 or [shannon.sprague@noaa.gov](mailto:shannon.sprague@noaa.gov).

Eligibility: Eligible applicants for both areas of interest (i.e., "Meaningful" Chesapeake Bay or Stream Outdoor Experience and Professional Development in the Area of Environmental Education for Teachers Within the Chesapeake Bay Watershed) are K-through-12 public and independent schools and school systems, institutions of higher education, nonprofit organizations, state or local government agencies, interstate agencies, and Indian tribal governments in the Chesapeake Bay watershed.

Cost Sharing Requirements: Encouraged, but not required.

Intergovernmental Review: Applications under this program are not subject to Executive Order 12372, "Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs."

##### 2. Chesapeake Bay Fisheries Research Program.

Summary Description: The Chesapeake Bay Fisheries Research Program is a competitively based