

**Department of
Environment & Natural Resources
Grant Consultations &
Fee Increase**

Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations
Subcommittee on NER and Transportation
January 19, 2010

Division	Grant Name	Grant Description	FY 2009-10		Funding Entity
			Amount	FTE	
Environmental Education	Environmental Education Grants - Solicitation Notice for 2010	The purpose of this grant is to strengthen North Carolina's ability to provide a quality, comprehensive, and sustainable state-level environmental education program.	\$ 137,874	1	US Environmental Protection Agency
Marine Fisheries	Reducing Stormwater Runoff into Bogue Sound	The purpose of this grant is to conduct a shoreline restoration project at the NC DMF Headquarters in Morehead City that will reduce stormwater runoff.	\$ 8,087	0	Clean Water Management Trust Fund
Coastal Management	NC National Estuarine Research Reserve Signage Project	The purpose of this grant is to fund the purchase and installation of signage at the four components of the NC National Estuarine Research Reserve.	\$ 22,200	0	National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration
Environmental Health	Innovative Food Defense Projects	The purpose of this grant is to enhance the environmental health facility database and software system with key components designed to provide surveillance and emergency response capabilities related to food regulation and public health protection.	\$ 60,416	0	US Food & Drug Administration

Notification of Application for Grant Funds/Awards, 2009-10

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Office of State Budget and Management, 116 West Jones Street, Raleigh, NC 27603-8005, 919-807-4700.

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1 Department	Department of Environment and Natural Resources
2 Division (except in DHHS)	Office of Environmental Education
DHHS only, choose division from drop down list	
3 Contact person (name)	Lisa Tolley
4 Phone number	919-733-1615
5 E-mail	lisa.tolley@ncdenr.gov
6 Funding Entity (grantor)	Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Office of Environmental Education
7 CFDA number	66.951
8 Grant title	Environmental Education Grants - Solicitation Notice for 2010
9 Grant application deadline (MM/DD/YY)	12/15/09
10 Start date of grant (MM/DD/YY)	07/01/10
11 End date of grant (MM/DD/YY)	07/01/12
12 Application type	New
13 Is this grant already in agency's continuation budget?	No
14 Budget code the grant will be expended in (XXXX)	14300
15 Fund code (XXXX or NA)	1120
16 Is there a state matching requirement?	Yes
17 If yes, what is the matching requirement?	At least 25% of the total cost of the project. We are providing at 36.65% match.
18 If yes, what is the source of state funds being used to match grant funds.	General Fund
19 Is there a maintenance of effort (MOE) requirement?	No
20 If yes, what is the MOE?	
21 Is an additional General Fund appropriation required to meet the state match requirement?	No
22 Will any of these funds be passed through to local governments or non-state entities?	No
23 If yes, identify affected entities by type	
24 Will additional state monies be required to continue the program if grant expires or is reduced?	No
25 If yes, is this a requirement of the grant?	
26 Are new FTEs funded through the grant?	Yes

	SFY 2008-09 Actual	SFY 2009-10 Authorized	SFY 2009-10 Proposed	SFY 2010-11 Proposed	SFY 2011-12 Proposed	SFY 2012-13 Proposed
27 If yes, give the number by type for each year: <i>Permanent</i>						
<i>Time-Limited</i>	0.000	0.000	0.000	1.000		0.000
28 Amount of grants funds <u>applied</u> for in each year				\$137,874.00		\$0.00
29 Amount of grants funds <u>awarded</u> in each year				\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
30 Purpose of grant or amendment	The purpose of this grant is to strengthen N.C.'s ability to provide a quality, comprehensive and sustainable state-level environmental education program. This grant is a partnership to build the capacity of N.C.'s state office of environmental education and the state environmental education association. It will provide an executive director for the state association to focus on building membership and regional collaboration. A model schools program will increase environmental education in PreK-12 schools and will be an important component of N.C.'s efforts to increase environmental literacy.					
31 Comments	The proposed budget is \$84,295 for FY2010-11 and \$53,579 for FY2011-12. The time limited position will help the N.C. Office of Environmental Education implement the goals of the N.C. Environmental Education Plan including the development of a model environmental education schools program.					

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1 Department	Department of Environment and Natural Resources
2 Division (except in DHHS)	Division of Marine Fisheries
DHHS only, choose division from drop down list:	
3 Contact person (name)	Michelle Duval
4 Phone number	252-808-8011
5 E-mail	Michelle.Duval@ncdenr.gov
6 Funding Entity (grantor)	Clean Water Management Trust Fund
7 CFDA number	
8 Grant title	Reducing Stormwater Runoff into Bogue Sound at NCDMF Headquarters in Morehead City, NC.
9 Grant application deadline (MM/DD/YY)	12/31/09
10 Start date of grant (MM/DD/YY)	02/01/10
11 End date of grant (MM/DD/YY)	07/31/10
12 Application type	New
13 Is this grant already in agency's continuation budget?	No
14 Budget code the grant will be expended in (XXXXX)	14300
15 Fund code (XXXX or NA)	1320
16 Is there a state matching requirement?	No
17 If yes, what is the matching requirement?	
18 If yes, what is the source of state funds being used to match grant funds?	
19 Is there a maintenance of effort (MOE) requirement?	NO
20 If yes, what is the MOE?	N/A
21 Is an additional General Fund appropriation required to meet the state match requirement?	NO
22 Will any of these funds be passed through to local governments or non-state entities?	NO
23 If yes, identify affected entities by type	
24 Will additional state monies be required to continue the program if grant expires or is reduced?	NO
25 If yes, is this a requirement of the grant?	
26 Are new FTEs funded through the grant?	NO

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27 If yes, give the number by type for each year: <i>Permanent</i>						
<i>Time-Limited</i>						
28 Amount of grants funds <u>applied for</u> in each year			\$8,087.00			
29 Amount of grants funds <u>awarded</u> in each year						
30 Purpose of grant or amendment	The NC Division of Marine Fisheries (NCDMF) will work with the NC Coastal Federation (NCCF) to conduct a shoreline restoration project at the NCDMF headquarters in Morehead City. Specific tasks include: educating local Carteret County middle school students on the importance of native wetland plants, planting the shoreline in front of NCDMF hangar with saltmeadow hay and smooth cordgrass with students and members of the community, documenting the success of the project through monitoring, and educating visitors to NCDMF on the effectiveness of these practices in controlling runoff and their ease of application in both residential and commercial settings.					
31 Comments	Application of funds for this grant/contract has been approved by the Division Director. This would be a contract with NCCF in which we would receive revenue by reimbursement for services. DMF would budget the funds using budget code 14300 and the 4160003 revenue account. This revenue account is currently in the continuation budget.					

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- 3 Contact person (name)
- 4 Phone number
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- 6 Funding Entity (grantor)
- 7 CFDA number
- 8 Grant title
- 9 Grant application deadline (MM/DD/YY)
- 10 Start date of grant (MM/DD/YY)
- 11 End date of grant (MM/DD/YY)
- 12 Application type
- 13 Is this grant already in agency's continuation budget?
- 14 Budget code the grant will be expended in (XXXXX)
- 15 Fund code (XXXX or NA)
- 16 Is there a state matching requirement?
- 17 If yes, what is the matching requirement?
- 18 If yes, what is the source of state funds being used to match grant funds?
- 19 Is there a maintenance of effort (MOE) requirement?
- 20 If yes, what is the MOE?
- 21 Is an additional General Fund appropriation required to meet the state match requirement?
- 22 Will any of these funds be passed through to local governments or non-state entities?
- 23 If yes, identify affected entities by type
- 24 Will additional state monies be required to continue the program if grant expires or is reduced?
- 25 If yes, is this a requirement of the grant?
- 26 Are new FTEs funded through the grant?

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NOAA
11 42
North Carolina National Estuarine Research Reserve Signage Project
11/30/09
07/01/10
06/30/12
New
No
40916
4K5B
Yes
\$6,668.00
Other
No
No
No
No
No
No

- 27 If yes, give the number by type for each year: *Permanent*
- 28 Amount of grants funds applied for in each year
- 29 Amount of grants funds awarded in each year
- 30 Purpose of grant or amendment
- 31 Comments

	For 2009-10 Complete either Authorized or Proposed					
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27 If yes, give the number by type for each year: <i>Permanent</i>						
<i>Time-Limited</i>						
28 Amount of grants funds applied for in each year				\$22,200.00		
29 Amount of grants funds awarded in each year						
30 Purpose of grant or amendment	The purpose of this proposal is to fund the purchase and installation of much-needed signage at the four components of the NC National Estuarine Research Reserve to fulfill the program's research, land management, and education purposes. Signage was identified as a need in the program's recently approved management plan.					
31 Comments	The match will be cash from partners for the purchase of signs and in-kind services for installation of the signs. The Division Director has approved the application of funds for the division.					

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2 Division (except in DHHS)	Environmental Health					
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3 Contact person (name)	Bart Campbell					
4 Phone number	919-715-7148					
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6 Funding Entity (grantor)	US Food and Drug Administration					
7 CFDA number	93.103					
8 Grant title	Innovative Food Defense Projects					
9 Grant application deadline (MM/DD/YY)	07/15/09					
10 Start date of grant (MM/DD/YY)	09/20/09					
11 End date of grant (MM/DD/YY)	08/31/10					
12 Application type	New					
13 Is this grant already in agency's continuation budget?	No					
14 Budget code the grant will be expended in (XXXX)	14300					
15 Fund code (XXXX or NA)	1475					
16 Is there a state matching requirement?	No					
17 If yes, what is the matching requirement?						
18 If yes, what is the source of state funds being used to match grant funds?						
19 Is there a maintenance of effort (MOE) requirement?						
20 If yes, what is the MOE?						
21 Is an additional General Fund appropriation required to meet the state match requirement?	No					
22 Will any of these funds be passed through to local governments or non-state entities?	Yes					
23 If yes, identify affected entities by type	private non-profit					
24 Will additional state monies be required to continue the program if grant expires or is reduced?	No					
25 If yes, is this a requirement of the grant?						
26 Are new FTEs funded through the grant?	No					

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27 If yes, give the number by type for each year: Permanent						
Time-Limited						
28 Amount of grants funds applied for in each year			\$60,416.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
29 Amount of grants funds awarded in each year			\$60,416.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
30 Purpose of grant or amendment						
31 Comments						

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NORTH CAROLINA BOARD OF REGISTERED ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SPECIALIST EXAMINERS

P O Box 610, Lumberton, NC 28359

To: Members of the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations

From: North Carolina State Board of Registered Environmental Health Specialist Examiners

Date: January 12, 2010

Subject: Request for Consultation

Pursuant to G.S. 12-3.1, the North Carolina State Board of Registered Environmental Health Specialist Examiners (Board) is writing to request consultation with the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations to increase certain fees allowed by Session Laws 2009-443. Specifically, G.S. 90A-53; 90A-56; 90A-62; 90A-63 were amended by the legislature to allow fee increases.

Background

The Board is proposing to amend 21 NCAC 62 .0405 by instituting a new fee for administration of examinations given by the Board and increasing fees for applications for registration, renewal, and reciprocity. The current fees were instituted in 1982 and have never been increased. Currently there is no administrative fee for an individual taking the Board's examination. The proposed change will institute a fee to offset part of the Board's expenses when giving an examination. The other fees are currently \$35.00 for each action plus a \$5.00 fee for renewal applications received after December 31 of each year. The proposed amendments will increase the fees from \$35.00 each to \$50.00 each, and if the renewal is made after December 31, the renewal fee is \$75.00.

Explanation

The Board operates on receipts. The number of registrants has remained almost steady since the original law was enacted in 1982. The fees charged have remained essentially steady over the same time period. Because of inflation and increased Board expenses, the Board's financial position has grown weaker, necessitating the first increase in 28 years.

Approximately 50% of registrants pay their own fees for registration, annual renewal, and examinations. However, the other 50% of registrants have their fee paid by the employing county. The Board estimates that the total increased expense for counties is \$9,500 annually. The remaining increased fees, totaling \$10,650 are projected to be paid by registrants. The total increase for the proposed new fees is estimated to be \$20,150.

There are currently about 1,100 Registered Environmental Health Specialists and Registered Environmental Health Specialist Interns in North Carolina. In most years, there have been about 100 new interns registered by the Board, and almost the same number retiring and dropping their registration. However, with current economic conditions, it is difficult to project what the next few years will bring. We have seen this year that fewer counties are paying the fees, leaving registrants responsible for paying them. We have also seen a

great drop in the number of new applications for registration and taking the examination during 2009. These trends indicate that revenues will likely be down for 2010.

At the same time, many expenses of the Board remain steady or increasing. SL2009-443 adds 3 additional Board members (from 9 to 12), which will increase expenses above last year's level. Without these increases, the Board will become insolvent within a very few years. With the increases, with a projected effective date of July 1, 2010, we believe the Board's income will closely match expenses.

21 NCAC 62 .0405 is proposed for amendment as follows:

21 NCAC 62 .0405 AUTHORIZED EXPENDITURES AND FEES

~~(a) Individual Board members are not authorized to incur expenses nor financially obligate the Board without prior notification and permission of the secretary-treasurer or chair.~~

~~(b) (a)~~ The following fees shall apply:

(1) ~~application for sanitarian intern--\$35.00~~ registration of environmental health specialist--\$50.00;

(2) ~~examination--current cost of the Professional Examination Service's registered sanitarian~~
environmental health specialist exam purchased by the Board;

(3) an administration fee of \$50.00 for each examination application received;

~~(3)(4) registration by reciprocity --\$35.00~~ issuance of a certificate as provided in G.S. 90A-62--\$50.00;
and

~~(4)(5) annual renewal--\$35.00~~ postmarked prior to January 1 of the year--\$50.00; postmarked January 1
or later \$75.00.

~~(e) (b)~~ Applications for registration, renewal, and examinations shall be accompanied by the payment of appropriate fees set by the Board.

~~(d) An additional fee of five dollars (\$5.00) shall be charged for each late renewal postmarked after December 31 of each year.~~

~~(d) (c)~~ An additional fee of twenty dollars (\$20.00) plus the actual cost charged by the bank shall be charged for all returned checks.

~~(e) (d)~~ Fees for copies shall be in accordance with G.S. 12-3.1 and G.S. 132-6.2(b).

History Note: Authority G.S. 12-3.1; 25-512; 90A-53; 90A-56; 90A-57; 90A-62; 90A-53; 90A-63; 132-6.2(b)

Eff. February 1, 1976;

Readopted Eff. December 22, 1978;

Amended Eff. July 1, 2010; November 1, 1994; January 1, 1990; April 1, 1989; February 1, 1983.