

HAWAII INVASIVE SPECIES COUNCIL
RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

PROPOSALS DUE: December 8, 2005.

The primary purpose of the program is to initiate and support research that will result in improved prevention, management, or control strategies for alien invasive species in Hawai'i.

Program Goals

- Encourage researchers to address the problems created by alien invasive species.
- Encourage the implementation of technology to prevent the establishment of invasive species.
- Develop effective, science-based management approaches to control alien invasive species.
- Effectively communicate the results of research to the field where it can be applied.
- Promote interagency collaboration and stimulate new partnerships.

General Research Priorities

The Hawaii Invasive Species Council seeks to promote effective tools for the control and management of alien invasive species using the best available scientific information. Research proposals that provide clear links between management and research or the effective application of technology will be given first priority.

Proposal Guidelines

- a. Contact Information Cover Sheet (not counted in the five page maximum).
- b. Proposal using the following format (five page maximum excluding cover sheet for ALL of the following sections, 12 point font, 1 inch margins). CV's will not be counted towards the five page limit.
 - Problem statement
 - Methodology or approach
 - Schedule of activities
 - Description of deliverable products
 - Personnel and Partners
 - Budget

Cover Sheet:

Provide contact information (postal address, phone, e-mail and fax) for the principal investigator of the proposal. The cover sheet should also have the title of the proposal and the total amount requested.

Problem Statement:

Briefly describe the significance of the problem, as well as the manner in which the proposed work will make a contribution to solving the problem. The problem statement should describe how technology will be applied to address invasive species or how the scientific question will affect the development of improved management practices relating to Hawaii's invasive species. Provide a brief review of past and current research relevant to the problem.

Methods or Approach:

Describe the objectives, approach, and methods used in the proposed project.

Schedule of Activities:

Provide an activities timetable, including start date and project completion date. Project completion date must include the completion of deliverable products.

Description of Deliverable Products:

Describe deliverable product and how the project will effectively communicate the results of the research.

Personnel and Partners:

Indicate who will carry out the research, as well as a brief statement of the investigator(s)' qualifications and experience with regard to the proposed work. Include one copy of the CV for the principal investigator. The CV will not be counted as part of the five page proposal length limit.

Budget:

Clearly delineate costs to be met by HISC and those to be provided by other sources. Funds must be matched 1:1 with non-State of Hawaii funds. In-kind resources will be considered.

Grant Size

Availability of funds may necessitate that we fund a proposal at an amount lower than requested. If this occurs the PI may be asked to provide a revised scope of work.

Project Selection & Criteria

Proposals will be reviewed by an advisory panel representing resource managers and the scientific community. In addition to supporting research that will lead to improved management strategies, it is the intent of the program to support research of the highest quality. The criteria to be used in evaluating proposed projects include: 1) relevance to Hawaii's invasive species issues; 2) clearly developed hypotheses and methods; 3) utility of research results; 4) applicability of results; and 5) how the results will be communicated.

Schedule

Proposals due: postmarked or received electronically by midnight, December 8, 2005
Notification of award or denial: January 2005

Inquiries

Please direct inquiries to
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