Expression of Interest | WA Marine Science Project Grant

In support of the UN Decade for Ocean Science

2021

EOI FORM

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS

In preparing your EOI, it is recommended that you carefully consult the <u>Funding Guidelines | WA Marine Science Project with regard to eligibility and evaluation criteria.</u>

EOI Open: 4pm (AWST) 24 November 2021

EOI Close: 12noon (AWST) 24 December 2021

Lodgement: EOI forms and supporting documents must be submitted to the Department of Jobs, Tourism, Science and Innovation (JTSI) at **science@jtsi.wa.gov.au**

Late applications or changes to applications will not be accepted after the closing time.

INSTRUCTIONS

- > This form is a Word document and can be filled out, saved, emailed and printed. It is recommended you PDF your application prior to submission.
- Submit **only** the completed application form and supporting documentation requested or permitted in this form. Do not submit any other supporting documentation as it will not be used in the evaluation.
- > To ensure your proposal is eligible for the WA Marine Science Project / Decade of Ocean Science (the Program) please complete the eligibility checklist provided overleaf.
- For all enquiries regarding the Program contact Julie Rutherford-Cantem, Principal Policy Officer, Department of Jobs, Tourism, Science and Innovation by email at science@jtsi.wa.gov.au.
- All communication with applicants, including notification of the outcome, will occur via email to the address provided on the application form.
- > JTSI's decision is final and no further correspondence will be entered into.

Eligibility Checklist				
Ensure your organisation is eligible to apply for the Program before completing this application form. For more details on the eligibility criteria refer to the Funding Guidelines WA Marine Science Project.				
Tick the appropriate box:				
Are you a tertiary institution and/or non-government research body?	□ Yes	□ No		
2. Is your organisation based in Western Australia?	□ Yes	□ No		
3. Will the Project involve collaboration with at least two (2) other parties?	□ Yes	□ No		
4. Is your organisation willing to submit a proposal to the UNESCO Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission for endorsement of the project as a Decade Action?	□ Yes	□ No		
5. Does this application address one of the marine science Challenges in the Funding guidelines?	□ Yes	□ No		
If you answered NO questions to any of the above questions, you are NOT eligible for Program.	funding und	ler this		

Applicant Details		
Organisation		
Organisation name		
Address		
Suburb/Town		
State		
Website		
Contact person		
Full Name		
Position		
Telephone		
Email		

JTSI Challenges	
The Department of Jobs, Tourism, Science and Innovation has worked with other government as identify the priority marine science challenges facing the State.	gencies to
Please nominate which challenge you are responding to (tick one*)	
Challenge 1: What are the best ways for Western Australian institutions, systems and scientists, traditional owners, Aboriginal communities, custodians, and proponents of development proposals to work together to build the coastal and marine knowledge base needed for marine science and shared custodianship in marine resource management?	□ Yes
Challenge 2: Australian ocean climate information, including seasonal forecasts, is produced and made available by a number of organisations however; a gap exists in the synthesis of this information for key regions and marine ecosystems along the Western Australian coastline.	☐ Yes
Challenge 3: Filling key gaps in foundational knowledge to measure and model blue carbon ecosystems to inform policy and management in the Western Australian world heritage marine estate.	☐ Yes

^{*} For multiple submissions please use a separate EOI Form.

Project Details	
Project Title	
In the box below ple public release	ease provide a short (3-5 sentences in length) description of the Project suitable for

Project Strategy

(maximum of 300 words for this section)

- May include:
- The rationale for the project (hypothesis)
- Key objectives for the project
- How your Project delivers against the nominated marine science challenge
- How your Project addresses one or more of the Decade Challenges

Project Plan

(maximum of 300 words for this section)

- May include:
- Explanation of project timeline
- Key research and other activities
- Proposed outcomes (including how the research will meet end user needs)
- Key dates and anticipated Project milestones
- Key risks to the Project and how they will be mitigated
- Is this a new project or expansion of an existing project

Please note a firm project timeline including milestones will be required for Stage 2 of the Application Process.

Assessment Criteria

Strengthens Western Australia's nationa	I and international marine research
profile, builds science/research capacity	, and contributes to the knowledge base
of the identified challenge area	(maximum of 300 words for this section)
Involves collaboration at a local, national	I and international level
	(maximum of 300 words for this section)

Please note formal commitments will be required for Stage 2 of the Application Process.

Generates economic, social and/or environmenta	I benefits for Western Australia
and other jurisdictions	(maximum of 300 words for this section)
Demonstrates capacity to deliver the proposed re	esearch outcomes
	(maximum of 300 words for this section)

Leverage co-investment to deliver a significant project.		
(maximum of	300 words for this section)	
Total project cost estimate (excluding GST)	\$	
State Government funding request (excluding GST) (maximum \$800K)	\$	
Cash co-investment from outside JTSI (excluding GST)	\$	
In-kind investment (excluding GST)	\$	

Demonstrates alignment with the Decade for Ocean Science Outcomes and		
Challenges	(maximum of 300 words for this section)	

Estimated Project Budget									
In the table below please estimate the amount to be spent (exclusive of GST) in the year it will be incurred (Note: The total expenditure at No.1 should not exceed the 'State Government funding request (excluding GST) (maximum \$800K)' amount given at Estimated Project Value				Status of Funding Negotiations Confirmed = formal commitment in place Anticipated = in principle commitment Plausible = negotiations yet to occur					
Туре	ype Contributor Year 1 Year 2 Year 3 Year 4 Total (\$)				Total (\$)	Confirmed	Anticipated	Plausible	
State Govt	JTSI	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	\$800,000			
Co-Investment									
Co-Investment									
Co-Investment									
In-Kind Investment									
In-Kind Investment									
In-Kind Investment									
Total (\$)									

Insert extra rows as needed.

Please note a detailed Budget will be required for Stage 2 of the Application Process.

Conflict of Interest
You must disclose any information that might be relevant to an actual, perceived or potential conflict of interest
Facilities
Feedback
If you would like to provide feedback on the guidelines or form please feel free to do. JTSI will consider the feedback and whether any updates should be made before inviting detailed proposals in Step 2.
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Privacy & Confidentiality Statement

The Department of Jobs, Tourism, Science and Innovation (JTSI) collects the information sought in this application so that it can assess the applicant's suitability for funding under the WA Marine Science Project in Support of the UN Decade for Ocean Science and for the purpose of verifying the applicant's ability to meet its contractual obligations. JTSI will treat all information as confidential.

However, JTSI operates within a public accountability framework and applicants are informed that JTSI is subject to the Freedom of Information Act 1992 which provides a general right of access to records held by Western Australian State and Local Government agencies.

Applicants should be aware that information pertaining to the receipt of State Government financial support may be tabled in the Western Australian Parliament. This information could include names of recipients, the amounts of financial support, the name of the project/activity and, possibly, a brief description thereof. This could result in requests for more detail to be released publicly.

Further information on the operation of the Freedom of Information Act 1992 can be obtained from the JTSI website.

Applicant Declaration

I declare that I am authorised to complete, sign and submit this application on behalf of the applicant. I declare that I have read and understood the terms and conditions of the WA Marine Science Project In Support of the UN Decade of Ocean Science.

I understand that I may be requested to provide further clarification or documentation to verify the information supplied in this application and that JTSI may, during the application process, consult with other agencies about the applicant's claims and may also enlist external technical or financial advisers to advise on information provided in the application.

I understand that if the application is approved, the applicant must enter into an agreement with the State Government before financial assistance is provided and acknowledge that no legal obligations will arise between the parties until such time as an agreement is formally executed.

I understand that payment of the State Government's contribution under the WA Marine Science Project Grant will be disbursed upon JTSI's approval of the grant recipient's final report. For multi-year Projects, partial payment will be distributed upon JTSI's approval of the recipient's annual progress report.

I declare that the applicant has not received funding for the Project described in this application under any other State Government program and is not likely to receive such funding for the financial year(s) in which the Project is undertaken.

I declare that the information contained in this application together with any statement attached is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate and complete in all material particulars. I also understand that the provision of false or misleading information or the making of a false or misleading statement in this application is a serious offence. I understand that the applicant will, while undertaking the activities specified in this application, keep and maintain records that substantiate the applicant's undertaking of the activities, and that JTSI shall have access to those records.

Project Lead / EOI coordinator

Full Name

Organisation

Signature

Position title*	
Organisation	
Signature	Date
Authorising officer in I	ead entity (Deputy Vice Chancellor Research / CEO or their delegate)
Full Name	
Position title*	

Date