

**HAWAII INVASIVE SPECIES COUNCIL
RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY GRANT PROGRAM**

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

PROPOSALS DUE: NOVEMBER 3, 2004; JANUARY 3, 2005 AND MARCH 3, 2005.

The primary purpose of the grant program is to initiate and support research that will result in improved 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 new technology to prevent the establishment or the control 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 control and management of alien invasive species using the best available scientific information. Research proposals that address clear links between management and research or the effective application of new technology will be given first priority.

Proposal Guidelines

- a. Contact Information Cover Sheet
- b. Proposal using the following format (five page maximum, 12 point font, 1 inch margins)
 - Problem statement
 - Methodology or approach
 - Schedule of activities
 - Description of deliverable products
 - Personnel and Partners
 - Budget

Cover Sheet:

Provide contact information via U.S. postal service, e-mail and fax for the principle 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 or understanding the problem. The problem statement should describe how new technology will be applied to address invasive species or how the scientific question will affect the development of improved management practices or understanding of an issue relating to Hawaii's invasive species. Provide a brief review of past and current research relevant to the problem.

Methodology or Approach:

Describe the objectives, approach, and methodology 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 a CV for the principle investigator.

Budget:

Clearly delineate costs to be met by the grant 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

We reserve the right to grant a proposal at an amount lower than requested.

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:	November 3, 2004	January 3, 2005	March 3, 2005
Notification of grant award or denial:	January 2005	March 2005	May 2005
Progress report due:	May 2005	July 2005	September 2005

Inquiries

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