US ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY Grant Programs to Address Threats to Coral Reef Resources

Clean Water Act Section 319(h) Nonpoint Source Implementation Grants

1. Overview/Summary

a. Agency contact information

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b. Description of Grant Program as it Relates to Coral Ecosystem Conservation

This program supports the establishment of the State Nonpoint Source Management Program. The Nonpoint Source Management Program is intended to assist the States and Territories in their implementation of their broad array of authorities to address all of the water quality threats and impairments caused by nonpoint source pollution.

c. Eligibility:

i. Who is/is not eligible?

Funds under this program are available to State and Tribal Agencies. Non-Government Organizations are encouraged to contact the Puerto Rico Environmental Quality Board or the U.S. Virgin Islands Department of Environmental Protection to confirm opportunities (contracts or grants) for non-government organizations in any given Fiscal Year.

ii. What projects are eligible?

Projects that support the development and implementation of the activities focused in the control and management of nonpoint sources of water pollution. For more information on nonpoint source of pollution please visit

http://www.epa.gov/ebtpages/watewaternonpointsources.html

iii. How to determine eligibility?

Funds under this program are only available to State Agencies. Nevertheless, a State Agency may make available limited funds to non-government organizations through grants or contracts. The specific details of funding availability and eligibility for non-government organizations are defined by the State or Territory Environmental Agency (P.R. Environmental Quality Board and the U.S. VI Department of Planning and Natural Resources).

iv. What is fundable/ what is not fundable?

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Funding is limited to activities related to nonpoint source of pollution. Activities related to point sources are not eligible for funding.

- d. Grant Schedules/Cycles 10/01 9/30 (Federal Fiscal Year)
- e. Grants Management
 - i. What are the rules?Code of Federal Regulations Part 35