Attachment 1

National Coastal Wetlands Conservation Grant Program

Schedule for 2013 Application Review Process

Regional Office Schedule	Washington Office Schedule
	January 2012. The 2013 Program announcement and request for applications is posted to <i>www.Grants.gov</i> and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) website.
February 2012. Regional Wildlife and Sport Fish Restoration Program (WSFR) staff contact states to request applications and provide guidance.	
	June 2012. The Director sends a memo to Regional Directors requesting nominees for the 2013 National Review Panel.
June 29, 2012. Regional WSFR offices receive the state applications until 4:00 p.m. local time deadline. Late applications are ineligible.	
July 2 – July 31, 2012. Regional WSFR offices screen each application for substantiality and eligibility. Ineligible applications are returned to the state. They may not be resubmitted after June 30, 2012. Copies of all eligible applications are shared with the Regional Coastal Program Coordinator for review and scoring.	
August 3, 2012. Eligible, unscored applications are due to the Washington Office. Digital files should be sent or emailed to Chris Darnell, MS 750F, Branch of Habitat Restoration, Washington Office.	August 3, 2012. Eligible, unscored applications are received by the Washington Office. Links to the applications are posted on a secure website where they can be accessed by the National Review Panel for review and preliminary scoring.
October 16 – 19, 2012. Regional Members of the National Review Panel meet in Texas.	October 16 – 19, 2012. National Program Coordinators convene the 2013 National Review Panel Meeting in Texas.
	November 2012. FHC staff prepares the 2012 award recommendations and supporting documentation for the Director.
	November 2012. A final estimate of available funds in 2013 is provided by WSFR.

Regional Office Schedule (Cont.)

Washington Office Schedule (Cont.)

November – December 2012. The AFHC and AWSR review and approve the 2013 awards recommendations and forward them to the Director for approval.
December 2012. The Director approves the award recommendations with or without changes and the awards are announced on the FWS website.