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Marine Aquaculture Pilot Projects RFP Questions & Answers 3/29/19

- 1) *Could a project, which is seeking to develop and validate an economically and environmentally sustainable aquatic farming technique and regional business to grow local seafood production, but which is not primarily within the marine waters/estuarine environment, be considered for funding?*

A: If the project is a land-based component to support marine aquaculture (e.g. hatchery work or lab based development of methods for marine aquaculture), it may be considered for funding.

- 2) *My laboratory is interested in applying for a marine aquaculture pilot project. Just wondering if you will accept application from the University of Hawaii. The project will benefit marine aquaculture for Hawaii and the other Pacific regions.*

A: Yes, Hawaii is included in the geographic range of the RFP.

- 3) *What is the maximum term for grant agreements for this solicitation?*

A: The grant agreement we have with NOAA is through 4/30/22. However, projects solicited for this RFP are for a one-year project period. Depending on the selected project, there is the possibility of an extension beyond the one-year time frame.

- 4) *May we include letters of support and references with our proposal.*

A: Yes. You may include letters of support and references as appendices to your proposal. They are not included in the 3-page limit for project description.