

Eight Sea Grant Programs Awarded Funds from Sea Grant-Marine Debris Special Projects Competition



This month, Sea Grant, in collaboration with the NOAA Marine Debris Program, announced the recipients of funds from the Sea Grant-Marine Debris Special Projects Competition. A total of \$350,000 went to eight Sea Grant programs for projects that will research, prevent and remove marine debris in US waters. These projects are matched with funding from the state Sea Grant programs, bringing the total investment for these marine debris projects to \$700,000.

[Learn more about the selected projects](#)



Sea Grant Shares Seafood Resources

Sea Grant's Seafood Information and Resources page for both wild harvest and aquaculture professionals provides information on news and updates, aid and relief assistance programs, distribution and marketing resources and human health resources.

[Visit the National Sea Grant webpage](#)

The National Sea Grant Law Center also developed a CARES Act Tip Sheet for Self-Employed Individuals. This document aims to help individuals analyze which one of the CARES Act relief programs might be best for them, as the programs re-open.

[View the CARES Act Tip Sheet](#)

Interactive Story: Citizen Science in Shifting Sands

In honor of citizen science month, New Hampshire Sea Grant developed an interactive storymap about beach profiling volunteers from New Hampshire, Maine and California Sea Grant. See how these teams are helping communities learn more about their valuable beaches and changing coastlines.

[Read the story](#)



Sea Grant Programs Recognized on Earth Day's 50th Anniversary

For Earth Day's 50th anniversary, NOAA Education and NOAA Research reflected on educational impacts and



research accomplishments made by NOAA in the past 50 years. Those recognized included efforts by California Sea Grant, Delaware Sea Grant and Louisiana Sea Grant.

[Read the story from NOAA Education](#)
[Check out the article from NOAA Research](#)

Knauss Fellows Share Updates on Their Fellowships During Pandemic

New work responsibilities, virtual happy hours, networking from afar and baking to conquer anxiety: Knauss fellows Zuzanna Abdala, Connor Fagan, Jennifer Le and Emily Horton talk about how they are adjusting to life in D.C. during the first few months of their fellowships.

[Read posts on the Knauss Blog](#)



Northeast Regional Lobster Extension Coordinator Selected

Maine Sea Grant welcomed Amalia Harrington as the Northeast Regional Lobster Extension Coordinator to support and coordinate extension efforts as part of the Sea Grant American Lobster Initiative.

[Learn more about Amalia](#)

Join Minnesota Sea Grant's Great Lakes Bioblitz

Bioblitz is a communal citizen-science effort to record as many species within a designated location and time period as possible. Between today and May 20, 2020, you can 'blitz from your kitchen window, in your backyard and outdoor spaces all across the Great Lakes states of Minnesota, Wisconsin, Michigan, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Pennsylvania, and New York and across Ontario, Canada. Just be smart, take appropriate precautions and keep your social distance.

[Learn more about the Bioblitz](#)



Update on Sea Grant's Education at Home Resources Page

Sea Grant's Education at Home resources page now shares coastal and marine science home learning activities from 26 Sea Grant programs. These include live and recorded events, virtual field trips, interactive games and more.

[Visit the National Sea Grant webpage](#)

National Sea Grant Office Upcoming Webinars

May 21st 2:00-3:00 PM (EDT) -

National Federal Partnership Liaisons Competition Informational Webinar

The webinar will review proposal guidelines for this currently open competition. As a reminder, eligible applicants include: Sea Grant College Programs, Sea Grant Institutional Programs, Sea Grant Coherent Area Programs and the National Sea Grant Library.

[Register here](#)

Funding and Career Opportunities

[Sea Grant Career Opportunities](#) Sea Grant has several job openings across the country, including Public Information Coordinator/Science Writer with South Carolina Sea Grant Consortium, Aquaculture Specialist with Texas Sea Grant and Fisheries Specialist with Washington Sea Grant.

[Special Projects Announcement: Sea Grant Support of South Atlantic Red Snapper Stock Assessment](#) The National Sea Grant Office (NSGO) anticipates that up to \$1,575,000 in federal funding will be available to a Sea Grant Program, or a partnership of Sea Grant Programs to administer a research competition investigating abundance of the South Atlantic stocks of Red Snapper (*Lutjanus campechanus*). Applications do not require the standard 50% non-federal match for Sea Grant projects, as funds are provided in partnership with the NOAA Southeast Fisheries Science Center (SEFSC). This competition is open to all Sea Grant programs. Deadline to apply: May 12, 2020.

[Special Projects Announcement: Amberjack Research Program](#) The goal of this research program is to develop additional data sources, assessment approaches and knowledge to improve agency and agency-independent estimates of the abundance of Greater Amberjack throughout the Greater Amberjack's range. The National Sea Grant Office anticipates that up to \$10,000,000 in federal funding will be available to a Sea Grant Program or a partnership of Sea Grant Programs to administer a research competition regarding the Gulf and South Atlantic stocks of Greater Amberjack subsequent to conducting listening sessions or workshops to ascertain research needs. This competition is open to all Sea Grant programs. Deadline to apply: May 15, 2020.

[Special Projects Announcement: Support of Network Visioning Plan Implementation](#) The National Sea Grant Office (NSGO) anticipates that up to \$600,000 will be available to individual Sea Grant Programs to support activities that are directly in alignment with goals and actions identified in the "network visioning" plans developed in 2017-18. Overall, the goal of this funding opportunity is to increase the capacity of Sea Grant Programs to implement priority actions identified in visioning documents. Each award will be no greater than \$200,000 and applications do not require the standard 50% non-federal match for Sea Grant projects. This competition is open to all Sea Grant programs. Deadline to apply: May 19, 2020.

Connections and Partner Updates

[Federal Grant Proposal Writing 101 for Students](#) The American Geosciences Institute is offering a free 1½ hour webinar, Federal Grant Proposal Writing 101 for Students, on May 6th at 1:00 PM EDT. In this webinar, current and former federal agency fellows will provide insight into federal grant proposal opportunities available for geoscience students pursuing careers within academia. Speakers will discuss the nuances of each of their individual programs as well as provide some advice on how to submit successful applications. [Register here](#)

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