

R3C Mini-Grant Guidelines – 2019

Purpose

- To promote multidisciplinary collaboration by Rutgers faculty, staff and students on Raritan River, basin and bay resource issues
- To facilitate research that:
 - Addresses data needs throughout the Raritan basin and across multiple disciplines that can inform and support advances in planning and policy
 - Is relevant to Raritan region environmental issues/concerns and for scientific/planning/policy merit and the promise of future positive impacts
 - Supports the [mission and goals of Rutgers Raritan River Consortium](#)
 - Assists in informing scientists, planners and policy makers in related watershed research, planning, restoration and protection fields
- Proposals that include a strong education component (student support) and those that involve partnership with Raritan stakeholders or collaboration between Rutgers schools and programs will be given preferential consideration

Mini-grant Parameters

- Eligible applicants include Rutgers faculty, staff and post-doctoral researchers (w/faculty advisor)
- Primary focus areas include
 - Water quality
 - Water quantity/stormwater runoff
 - Habitat and fisheries restoration/enhancement
 - Public access
 - Remediation
 - Climate resilience
- Products / reporting
 - Minimum, write up for *RU on the Raritan* blog and article in SRRI newsletter
 - Presentation at SRRI conference or R3C sponsored program
- **Mini-grant Funds** can be used for:
 - Summer and/or student salaries
 - Research assistant support, travel, supplies, or other direct expenses
 - R/V *Rutgers* fees
 - Mini-grant can be part of larger project but requires mini-grant specific goals, objectives, deliverables and reporting

Amounts

- Mini-grant amounts are up to \$8,000 each
- Partial funds will be available upon awarding grant with remainder paid upon fulfillment of reporting requirements
- Projects must be completed and funds expended by December 31, 2019

Deadlines

- Applications accepted through **May 3, 2019**
- Grant award notification by May 17, 2019
- Grant activity period from date of grant award through December 31, 2019
- Documentation due by January 31, 2020

Application process

- Complete the attached template including proposed budget and timeline and submit via email to raritan@ejb.rutgers.edu on or before the deadline of May 3, 2019.

For more information

Visit the Rutgers Raritan River web pages at <http://raritan.rutgers.edu/rutgers-and-the-raritan/>

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R3C Mini-grant Proposal Instructions: Please fill in the template with details about your proposal. Save your proposal and send it via email to raritan@ejb.rutgers.edu. The **deadline for submission is Friday, May 3, 2019.**

Proposal Description

<p>Proposal Title</p>	
<p>Primary Contact Include name, title, school, department, phone, email</p>	
<p>Team Members Include name, title, school, department, phone, email</p>	
<p>Problem Statement Describe how proposal is linked to Raritan River, basin or bay</p>	
<p>Goals of Proposal Describe how effort will address stated problem</p>	
<p>Related Work Describe related work you have done or are doing and how this proposal supports/advances that work</p>	
<p>Collaborators Describe collaborative nature of proposal (if applicable) both within Rutgers and with other stakeholders</p>	
<p>Student Education/Engagement Describe educational or student engagement component of proposal (if applicable)</p>	
<p>Final Product(s) & Reporting Describe proposed final product(s) and planned reporting (including plans for publishing results)</p>	

Next Steps If proposal supports an interim step of a larger initiative, describe the next steps	
Data Development Describe data to be developed/confirmed, describe planned repository of data, and if/when data will be open access	

Proposal Budget

	Amount	Brief Description
Faculty salaries		
Staff wages		
Post Doc		
Graduate students		
Undergraduate students		
Other wages		
Equipment		
Materials and supplies		
Software		
R/V Rutgers fees		
Other transportation		
Other:		
Other:		
Other:		
Total Budget		(not to exceed \$8,000)

Proposal Timeline

	May'19	Jun'19	Jul'19	Aug'19	Sep'19	Oct'19	Nov'19	Dec'19	Jan'20
Final report submitted to R3C on or before Jan 31									X

Send your completed proposal via email to raritan@ejb.rutgers.edu on or before midnight, Friday, May 3, 2019. For questions or concerns, contact [Sara Malone](#) or [Carrie Ferraro](#).