

## **Grant Opportunity Notice Oregon Chapter of the American Fisheries Society Education/Outreach Grant**

The Oregon Chapter of the American Fisheries Society is proud to announce the availability of a **\$20,000 grant for Education/Outreach for 2009**. The Oregon Chapter is soliciting grant proposals for a one-time, \$20,000 grant for Education and/or Outreach programs that generally focus on fish in the state of Oregon.

### **Proposal Instructions**

- Any applicant may receive the award, and there is no AFS membership requirement.
- Proposal must include project description, summary budget, and project champion contact information.
- **Project description must be no more than 500 words.**
- Total project proposal must be submitted in an email or Microsoft Word format, and **must not exceed 2 pages.**
- **Project proposals may be for any dollar amount up to \$20,000. There is no ceiling on total project cost, but the grant will be limited to a maximum \$20,000.**
- **There may be one or multiple grant awards.** The total of all awards will equal \$20,000.
- **Proposals must be received no later than 5:00 PM PDT, Wednesday March 18.** Send proposals by e-mail to Jason Kent at [Jason.Kent@hdrinc.com](mailto:Jason.Kent@hdrinc.com). If email is not available, fax proposals to Jason Kent at (503) 423-3737, or call Jason at (503) 423-3825.
- All applicants will be notified of the grant decision on Monday April 6.

### **Project Selection Criteria**

- Projects must involve education or outreach, and must be conducted in the state of Oregon.
- The projects must have a general focus on fish, and may emphasize fish biology, fish habitat, or watershed ecology. The projects do not need to focus solely on fish.
- Projects may be targeted to marine, inland, or estuarine environments.
- Projects will be considered based on the proposed project's merits and benefits. Project cost will not be considered during the selection process.
- The projects should advance the Chapter's goals regarding "public awareness, understanding, and appreciation of fish resources" as stated in the Oregon Chapter Strategic Plan (<http://www.orafs.org/pdfdocs/ORAFS%20Strategic%20Plan%2020042008%2011%2005%2003%20FINAL.pdf>). The specific goals and objectives of the Chapter Education/Outreach program pertaining to this grant opportunity are:
  - Use resources available to assist and promote fish and aquatic education in schools;
  - Produce materials and workshops that aid teachers, watershed councils, and other educational entities; and
  - Participate in public forums on fishery and aquatic science issues, advocating well-reasoned policies that maintain and enhance fish and aquatic resources.
- Projects must be initiated by the end of 2009. Projects do not need to have a completion date.
- Project champion(s) must be available to deliver a 15-20 minute presentation on the project at the February 2010 ORAFS Business Meeting in Eugene, OR.

To learn more about the Oregon Chapter of the American Fisheries Society, our mission and activities, please visit our website at <http://www.orafs.org>.

For questions or clarifications regarding this grant opportunity please contact Jason Kent at [jason.kent@hdrinc.com](mailto:jason.kent@hdrinc.com) or call Jason at (503) 423-3825.