

Commercial Fishing Industry Improvement Fund Grant Application & Instructions

Project Proposals must be submitted using the format of this form and, at a minimum, must contain all of the following items (A, B, C, D, E). Fields marked with an asterisk (*) are required. Submit this page as your required -

Project Proposal Cover Sheet.**A. Project Information****1. Project Title ***

Give your project a name we can use to easily reference it

Morro Bay Commercial Fisherman's Organization Projects for 2022

2. Project Location Description *

List the county, municipalities, etc. in which you will conduct project

San Luis Obispo County, California

3. Grant Amount Requested *

\$59,000

4. Projected Project Start Date *

April 2022

5. Projected Project End Date *

March 2023

6. Project Description *

Provide a brief summary description of the project. Limit to 300 characters

Funds: repairs & maintenance for two forklifts; Identifying information needs & approaches for assessing potential impacts of offshore wind farm development on local fisheries; Continued community based opposition effort to advancement of the proposed Chumash Heritage National Marine Sanctuary; a contribution to the Al French Memorial Fund; and, Operations costs for the California Coast Crab Association.

B. Applicant Information**1. Name/Organization ***

Morro Bay Commercial Fisherman's Organization

2. Address * City * State * Zip *

PO Box 450, Morro Bay, CA 93443

3. Type of Entity *

Domestic Nonprofit

4. Primary Contact *

Bill Blue

5. Phone * & Email *

Commercial Fishing Industry Improvement Fund Grant Application & Instructions**Required Narrative Summary Information****C. Project Definition**

1. Overall Cost of Project \$59,000
2. Duration of Project Approximately 12 months
3. Number of Staff Used in Various Stages Three members of the MBCFO Board
4. Skills & Experience of Project Organizers & Staff
Mr. Bill Blue, Mr. Wayne Moody, and Ms. Pam Daniels (MBCFO Operations Manager) oversee the projects operations. Both Bill and Wayne are full-time commercial fishermen experienced in the multiple facets of business and non-profit administration. Ms. Daniels has ten-years' experience managing the various day-to-day Organization operations.
5. Measurable Deliverables, include a description of how they will be measured
 - a) The 2 forklifts will receive all necessary repairs as well as routine general maintenance throughout the project period; includes supplying fuel for members' use of machinery.
 - b) Obtaining the necessary information to assess & evaluate the impacts of offshore energy projects.
 - c) Build upon multi-media outreach tactics to inform the community on what a National Marine Sanctuary will mean to the community & identify those who support local control of their area & those who will help oppose the proposed sanctuary.
 - d) Make a contribution to the Al French Memorial Fund.
 - e) Pay operations costs for the California Coast Crab Association.

D. Project Plan

The project activities will be conducted throughout the year and are not subject to a set timeline.

1. The MBCFO has the responsibility for two forklifts. This machinery is a necessity in the storage yard, and it is important that we keep them running safely and in good order. This service is provided to members of the commercial fishing industry at no cost.
2. The State of California has committed to producing half of the States energy with renewable energy sources, and has set a final date for implementation of 2030. Our Central Coast is the primary target site for offshore energy projects due to convenient access to infrastructure and favorable wind and wave conditions. Local fisherman have concerns that are reinforced from conversations with East Coast fisherman that already have to deal with this situation. MBCFO will contract with professional representatives to assist in the identification of information needs and approaches for assessing potential impacts of offshore energy projects on local fisheries. In addition, representatives will be contacted as needed to attend meetings related to offshore energy development.
3. MBCFO will contract with Pacific Coast Strategies to build upon multi-media outreach tactics to inform the community on what a National Marine Sanctuary will mean to the community and identify those who support local control of their area and those who will help oppose the proposed sanctuary.
4. MBCFO will make a contribution to the Al French Memorial Fund.

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5. MBCFO will provide funding to the California Coast Crab Association to continue retaining experts to help the organization understand and challenge the settlement agreement resulting from CBD v Bonham which changed Dungeness crab fishery management.

E. Financial Schedule

1. Machinery & Maintenance; \$4,000
2. Wind & Sanctuary; \$15,000
3. Al French Memorial Fund; \$15,000
4. Contribution to California Coast Crab Association; \$25,000