

**Middle Peninsula Planning District Commission
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL #FY26-GRIT1**

RFP ISSUE DATE: December 4, 2025

DUE DATE: January 20, 2026

TIME: 4:00 P.M. EST

RFP# : FY26-GRIT1

ISSUING AGENCY: Middle Peninsula Planning District Commission (MPPDC)
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QUESTIONS AND RESPONSES:

- I. Under the Local Economic Participation category in the Selection Criteria, use of academic partners was listed. Are academic institutions eligible to submit a proposal directly, versus merely being a subconsultant to a private firm?*

Yes, academic institutions may provide a response if they determine they are the most qualified and able to perform the work. Academic institutions also may have additional opportunities throughout the project to directly contract with MPPDC to supplement the project.

- II. Can we get a copy of the NFWF grant application?*

Yes, the NFWF application has been loaded onto the website with the RFP. MPPDC is also engaged with additional funding sources to support this project that are pending final agreements.

- III. Will the consultant who developed the grant application be allowed to bid on this RFP?*

There was not a consultant who developed the grant application. The NFWF grant application was developed by Virginia Marine Resources Commission in coordination with the Virginia Department of Wildlife Resources and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Chesapeake Bay Office. Various sources were utilized to inform the grant application including VIMS Shoreline Studies Program, with location selection further informed by the VIMS Shoreline Change Mapping System, the NOAA-funded VIMS Nearshore Oyster Restoration Siting and Prioritization Tool, Adapt VA, other prioritization tools, and various reports.