

NASA EPSCOR Research Cooperative Agreements address high-priority NASA research and technology development needs. They are expected to establish research activities that will make significant contributions to strategic research and technology development priorities of one or more of the Mission Directorates and contribute to overall research infrastructure. Awards are typically up to \$750,000 for a 3-year period. A 50% match (non-federal source of funds, cash or in-kind) is usually required for every NASA dollar awarded, but the actual level of match requirements in each announcement may vary. (For example, at 50% match, then \$750,000 NASA funds requires a cost match of \$375,000.) Please note that the timing of the NSPIRES announcement varies every year, and in some years, there may be no solicitation at all.

All institutions of higher learning within the state of New Hampshire (the 'jurisdiction') are eligible to compete, however as only one proposal may be submitted per jurisdiction, there is a down-selection process done through the NH NASA EPSCoR Director's office (currently located at UNH). Currently, NASA policy is to make the award to the jurisdictional director's institution, and then a sub-award is made from that institution (UNH) to the proposal's Science PI institution. As a result, please note that as the proposal is submitted through the NH Directorship office, there will be administrative costs that will need to be included within the \$750,000 budget allocation.

Those jurisdictional institutions of higher learning interested in having a research project considered for the New Hampshire submission for an upcoming solicitation shall submit mini-proposals to the Director's office by the due dates as specified on the website <http://www.nasaepscor.unh.edu/index.shtml>

The mini-proposal for the NH down selection process must include the following items:

Cover Page with the following (pages as needed)

- 1) Project Title
- 2) EPSCoR Topic Area
- 3) Primary Investigator (Name, position, institution, phone and email contact information)
- 4) Known Co Investigators (Names, position, institution, email)
- 5) Industry and/or government Partnerships

Narrative with the following (5 pages):

- 1) Abstract of proposal
- 2) Short introduction of planned research, including significance of research
- 3) Relationship to NASA EPSCoR areas of interest
- 4) Specific Goals and Objectives of planned research
- 5) Outline of Methodology or Technical Approach
- 6) Timeline and Milestones
- 7) Selected References (if applicable)

Team information (pages as needed)

- 1) PI CV
- 2) Qualifications and intended roles of team members
- 3) Institutional facilities to be used
- 4) Name and contact information of at least one NASA contact who is cognizant with your proposed research goals

Budget information (pages as needed)

- 1) draft period of performance (final POP will depend on NASA AO)
- 2) draft estimated yearly budget
- 3) source of matching funds

Submit proposal (word or pdf) to toni.galvin@unh.edu and copy to harald.kucharek@unh.edu by deadline.