

**General information on UNH R&TI Mini-RID Awards.** The primary emphasis for the NASA EPSCoR RID Research and Technology Infrastructure programs at UNH is on the disciplines of space science, earth science, and space-related engineering. The intent of these UNH-based R&TI awards is to provide modest ‘seed’ funding to research infrastructure projects toward future competitive NASA proposals. Submission of a proposal does not guarantee funding. Selected awards may be fully or partially funded. When multiple proposals within a proposal call meet programmatic and merit criteria, but exceed the available funding, then a review panel will make the final selection(s).

A successful proposal should address the following areas. Programmatic considerations are covered in 1) through 7). Merit considerations are covered in 8) – 11). Proposal content can be one page. A cover page is available from this website <https://www.nasaepscor.unh.edu> .

- 1) A verifiable and appropriate source of cost share funds must be identified within the proposal. Expected cost share is 1:1 match.
- 2) Awardees shall be required to submit a timely report to the NASA NH EPSCoR Director’s office. (Details on timing, format and specific content are subject to change and will be provided later to awardees.) Proposal must acknowledge that the research lead will submit these reports in a timely manner.
- 3) Only one proposal per year per researcher or researcher team members is allowed.
- 4) Research leads that have not previously received RID funding are encouraged and are given extra consideration in the award process.
- 5) Research leads that have or had NASA EPSCoR funding of any kind within the past three years have a lower priority for selection.
- 6) Awards are targeted toward research leads that are either (a) early career, (b) experienced, but includes early career investigators, or (c) an experienced investigator moving into a new area. The proposal should indicate which of these apply.
- 7) Funding for UNH undergraduate research is encouraged. Graduate Students should seek funding through the competitive Space Grant Fellowship program.
- 8) A description of how the proposed effort contributes to the development of research or technology infrastructure in space or earth sciences must be provided.
- 9) A plan (may be tentative) for acquiring non-EPSCoR funding in the future must be provided.
- 10) How the project may create or enhance collaborations with other

institutions within the state of New Hampshire and/or NASA Centers is a major consideration in the selection process. In-state collaborators may include industries or other institutions of higher learning.

11) Inclusion of a budget plan, including cost share.