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Sent: 6/4/2018 5:44:35 PM
To: Hunter, Johanna [Hunter.Johanna@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: EPA Regional/State Innovation Projects Request for Proposals - note deadline of 6/20/18

Could you inform our states of our plan.

Sent from my iPhone
Alexandra Dapolito Dunn, J.D. , Regional Administrator
Region 1 New England. ***This email is for official EPA business only and may be subject to disclosure under the Freedom of information Act***

On Jun 4, 2018, at 1:40 PM, Hunter, Johanna <Hunter.Johanna@epa.gov> wrote:

Alex:

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Let me know if you have more questions. Happy to answer them.
Johanna

From: Dunn, Alexandra
Sent: Monday, June 04, 2018 1:00 PM
To: Hunter, Johanna <Hunter.Johanna@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: EPA Regional/State Innovation Projects Request for Proposals - note deadline of 6/20/18

How do we involve our state partners in this effort?

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On Jun 4, 2018, at 11:19 AM, Hunter, Johanna <Hunter.Johanna@epa.gov> wrote:

Good morning. We have an opportunity for a potential innovative project (see info below and materials attached). Last year region 1 was successful in submitting a proposal for funding the Septic Sensor Challenge.

Please share your draft proposals with your Office Directors before submitting to Robert Hillger our Regional Science Liaison by COB 6/20. There will be webinars hosted by ORD on Wednesday 6/6 and Thursday 6/7 providing more information about this opportunity.

EPA REGIONAL/STATE INNOVATION PROJECTS REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

For a second year, ORD has secured funding for EPA Regional/State Innovation Projects. (See attached memorandum from Dr. Jennifer Orme-Zavaleta, DAA, ORD) The Office of the Science Advisor and the ORD Innovation Team are providing an opportunity to use innovative approaches to meet Regional science needs; for e.g. citizen science and crowdsourcing, challenge and prize competitions, advanced monitoring technologies, and social science which can expand and diversify EPA's work, engage the public, and foster creative solutions to important environmental problems.

Please note that there is a very short turn-around time for those interested in applying. **If you are interested in developing a project, please send a three page proposal to Robert Hillger, Science Advisor by June 20, COB.** Following Regional Science Council Senior Leadership Team review, ranked proposals will be submitted to the DRA for consideration. The DRA will select and submit two to three Region 1 proposals to the national competition by June 29.

Project proposals must address a state science priority; be relevant to a national program (OAR, OW, OLEM, OCSPP); and meet a Regional science need. You will also will need to form a project team that includes an ORD partner. Robert can help you identify the appropriate ORD staff for your project team. Finally, in developing your proposal, you will need to consult with the appropriate state entity but they will not be able to receive funds under this program.

Key Project Proposal Requirements:
-Funds will need to be placed on an existing funding vehicle and obligated this fiscal year.
-The work must be completed in one year (By end of FY 2019)
-Proposals must not exceed $50K unless they partner with another Region.
-Proposals must address one or more of four innovation categories: Citizen science; Low-cost sensor technology; Social science; Challenge and prize competitions

The Request for Proposals is online (and attached here), as well as FAQs and additional information. Please communicate broadly with your regional staff. Rebecca Dodder (EPA-ORD) will be hosting a series of webinars, including a general overview along with Q&A (6/6 @ 3 pm ET and 6/7 @ 1 pm ET), and specialty webinars (TBD) focused on the four innovation approaches. She will send Outlook invitations separately which will be available on at

http://epawebconferencing.acms.com/reg-state-innovation/ The call in number

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Thank you for your patience, support, and enthusiasm. We are looking forward to seeing creative ideas and new partnerships! Please reach out to Jay Benforado, Rebecca Dodder, or Robert Hillger with any additional questions.

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