



FY2016 GIT Funding Process

Chesapeake Bay Program
Management Board Meeting
September 15, 2016

FY2016 GIT Funding Overview



- 2016 EPA CBP funding available for key projects
 - GITs and Workgroups are eligible
 - Sub-awards contracted by Chesapeake Bay Trust
- Unique funding → must connect to goals/outcomes of Management Strategies developed for 2014 Watershed Agreement
 - Not meant for large-scale implementation projects
- Total Requested Amount = \$894,000

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Date	Step
June 30, 2016	Project idea submission to GIT leadership.
July 15, 2016	GIT leadership submit top 3 proposals.
July 30, 2016	External technical peer review comments to strengthen project designs.
August 2, 2016	GIT Coordinators and Staffers develop criteria to rank proposals.
August 10, 2016	GIT Coordinators and Staffers rank proposals and develop recommendation(s) for GIT Chairs to select final projects.
August 16, 2016	GIT Chairs select final projects, and present list to CBPO Director. CBPO Director notifies Chairs and MB of final approved projects list.
September 15, 2016	GIT leads finalize scopes of work.
October 2016	Trust issues Request for Proposals to seek bidders.
November 2016	Bid from contractors due. Trust releases for external peer review.
December 2016	Trust compiles reviews. Works with GIT leads to identify winning bidders, initiate sub-award contracts.
January 2017	GIT leads meet with awardees to commence.

The Ranking Criteria

August 2, 2016



Criteria	Scale
Removes Barrier(s)	scale 1-10
Catalyst <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Matching funds • Follow-on from previously funded projects • Establishes sustainable resource(s) • Accelerates knowledge, technical assistance, and/or relationships with key stakeholders 	scale 1-10
Cross-Outcome/Cross-GIT <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Direct connections 	scale 1-10 (x2 weighting)
Decision Framework <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Indicator development • Measuring progress <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New and/or improved methods and plan(s) to measure progress; not ongoing monitoring effort(s) • Testing alternative management actions and outcomes 	scale 1-10

Power Boost (optional)
Equity
Teams with high number of outcomes (ex. Habitat, Stewardship only) <u>or</u>
New Outcome <u>or</u>
Never Funded
Special Circumstances/Extraordinary Request

FY2016 GIT Funding - The Final Selection

August 10 & 16, 2016



FY2016 GIT Funding Proposals Summary					
Proposal Number	GIT	Project Title	Average Score	Cost	Running Total
Priority 1					
1	1	Shell/habitat loss rates in oyster restoration and fishery management	N/A	60,000	60,000
2	2	Updates to the Chesapeake Fish Passage Tool	N/A	70,000	130,000
3	3	Assessing Multifunctional Riparian Forest Buffer Benefits	N/A	65,000	195,000
4	4	Back Creek Watershed Demo – Getting Water off The Road	N/A	45,000	240,000
5	5	Stormwater on Urban/Suburban School Grounds	N/A	70,000	310,000
6	6	Implementation Support for Local Official Watershed Education and Capacity Building	N/A	50,000	360,000
7	CRWG	Development of Climate Change Indicators and Metrics for the Chesapeake Bay Program	N/A	75,000	435,000
Priority 2					
8	1	Evaluating ecosystem-based consideration for the blue crab stock	N/A	50,000	485,000
9	2	Watershed group and Citizen Monitoring of Fish Habitat	N/A	52,000	537,000
10	3	Development of Chesapeake Bay Technology Assessment Protocol for Manufactured Stormwater Treatment Devices	N/A	50,000	587,000
11	4	Methodology for developing high-resolution stream and waterbody datasets for the Chesapeake Bay watershed	N/A	75,000	662,000
12	5	Stewardship Index	N/A	112,000	774,000
Priority 3					
17	5	EJ Screen	40.14	30,000	804,000
14	2	Increasing landowner participation in wetland programs through improved information access and program staff cross-training.	35.86	50,000	854,000
15	3	Assessing Benefits of Wastewater Treatment Plant Nutrient Control Upgrades on Toxic Contaminants	32.14	40,000	894,000
16	4	LandScope Conservation Registry (not put forward for final consideration)	29.71	45,000	939,000
13	1	Evaluation of fish habitat in the Chesapeake Bay (not put forward for final consideration)	29.71	55,000	994,000
				Total Requested	894,000

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What worked well?

- Collegial spirit and honest evaluation of project readiness
- Continued cross-GIT coordination on project content
- Learning about each other's work activities
- Highest number of projects funded

What can be improved?

- Schedule the Cdtr./Staffer evaluation earlier in the process and include GIT Chairs
- Other?

What's Next?



- **September 15, 2016** → GIT project leads finalize scope(s) of work (Table 2, FY2016 Process for Project Ideas document), to be submitted to the Trust.
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