

NCRAC Project Development Timeline

<i>Date</i>	<i>Administrative Task(s)</i>	<i>Administration Notes</i>	<i>Proposal Development</i>
<i>February – Even Years</i>	NCRAC Meeting hosted with regional state aquaculture meeting	General meeting limited to 1-day in advance of the regional meeting. Meeting as necessary to present results and to discuss TRAs.	IAC with input from TC/R&E revise/develop targeted research areas (TRAs) under 2-3 common project themes
<i>April</i>	Announcements for RFA Pre-proposals distribution.	Information distributed to regional institutions and placed on NCRAC web site	RFA – Call for Pre-Proposals
<i>Mid-May</i>	Receipt of RFA Pre-Proposals.		IAC, TC/R&E members will conduct electronic reviews of RFAs; IAC – industry relevance, TC/E – deliverables and extension products, TC/R – technical merit/scientific method.
<i>Late May</i>			Summary reports by the three Executive Committees indicating which Pre-Proposals that are recommended for Full Proposals presented to Board; all committee members will be surveyed by respective executive committees.
<i>Mid-June</i>	Coordination of NCRAC Board meeting.	Board conference call to select projects for full proposal development.	Selection of Pre-Proposals for Full Proposal Development
<i>Late June</i>	Notification of investigators the result of the RFA pre-proposal phase		
<i>Mid-August</i>	Receipt of full RFA proposals	Acknowledgement of full RFA proposals sent to PIs.	Full RFA proposals developed.
<i>Mid-September</i>	Full Proposals sent out for regional and national reviews	In-House review of submitted RFA full proposals.	
<i>Mid-October</i>		Coordination of Project Reviews including provision for confidentiality of submitted projects being noted. Upon	

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		request Director will arrange for outside reviews if deemed necessary by Executive Committee for Rapid Response Projects.	
<i>Late November</i>	Receipt of RFA full proposals' reviews		Proposals sent for reviews from within and outside of NCR.
<i>Early December</i>			Summary of RFA full proposals' reviews
<i>January</i>			Summary of submitted RFA Projects (Title page, Project Summary, Objectives and overall budget) will be provided to IAC and TC members before annual meeting for review.
<i>February Odd Years</i>	NCRAC General Meeting	Board Selection of RFA Projects for Funding.	Final IAC selection report submitted to NCRAC Board by IAC Executive Committee Executive committees of TC/R and E after input from members at the annual meeting.
<i>March</i>	Investigators informed of Board decisions on RFA full proposals.		
<i>April</i>			Final RFA Full Proposal Developed for submission to USDA-NIFA for their review
<i>September 1</i>			Start date for new RFA Full proposal projects
<i>Mid-November</i>	Targeted Research Areas (TRAs) – Review for Changes	IAC Chair contacts IAC and TCR&E members for input into TRAs. Information collected and listed on NCRAC web site in advance of the February NCRAC meeting.	