

**Request for Proposals (RFP) to
Develop or Update Watershed Restoration and Protection Plans
within the New Jersey Highlands Region**

Response to Questions #4
February 23, 2023

In response to requests, the proposal submission deadline has been extended
to April 17, 2023.

The deadline for Questions and Answers was also extended until March 3, 2023.

1. What is the ceiling of the grant? Per grant or per year?
 - a. There is no ceiling for the contract award. Proposals should be submitted for the total contract amount, not on a per year basis.
2. What is the maximum time period?
 - a. There is no maximum time period.
3. When is the earliest start date?
 - a. The Highlands Council hopes to award the first contracts prior to the end of FY2023 (6/30/23).
4. Is there a match requirement?
 - a. There is no match requirement, however it would be considered under the review of the proposals.
5. What is the allowable indirect rate?
 - a. The cost proposal/rate schedule should include fully loaded hourly rates that build in indirect costs. All direct expenses shall be billed at cost.
6. What is the budget for specific projects?
 - a. The Highlands Council does not have a specific budget for each project, however we note that previously funded municipal scale plans have been in the range of \$100,000 to \$300,000 depending on the size and number of watersheds contained in the plan.