

CRITERIA FOR FUNDING GRANTS FOR COOPERATIVE NURSERY SPONSORS

Requests from organizations involved in the PA Fish & Boat Commission's (PFBC) Cooperative Nursery Program may be considered for grants from the PFBC. The PFBC reserves the right to determine the eligibility of a project for support.

Grants awarded for traditional projects are a maximum of \$3,000. Projects designed to **improve effluent water quality** through improvements in **waste handling** are a maximum of \$5,000.

Requirements for submitting grant applications are as follows:

- Completed application form.
- Preference may be given projects with a minimum of 1 to 1 matching funds.
- Matching funds not necessarily needed.
- Projects must begin after the executed grant agreement is received; purchases made prior to that date will not be covered by the grant.

PFBC favors supporting projects in the following areas:

- New sponsor construction.
- Major additions/improvements by sponsors.
- Infrastructure improvements and/or equipment purchases which improve waste handling.
- Construction of aquatic habitat structures that will enhance the rearing facility.
- Purchase of equipment to be used solely in the operation of the nursery.

PFBC will not provide monies for:

- Individuals
- Political activities
- Loans of any kind
- Endowment purposes
- Trips, tours, tickets or advertising
- Salaries, stipends, or general program operations
- Fish feed

The Cooperative Nursery Unit staff reviews grant applications each year. To be considered for funding, a completed application must be in the Cooperative Nursery Unit office, by date specified in application memo from the Cooperative Nursery Unit.