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MAPP PI survey

The purpose of the survey is to (1) gain insights into researcher perspectives on the efficiency of the MAPP grant application processes and its merits, limitations, and challenges; (2) explore researcher responses to some ideas of improving MAPP award processes and distribution.

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What stage are you in your career? (Years since received PhD degree) * Choose

With what type of entity are you affiliated? * NOAA Federal Employee NOAA Affiliate Employee Other Federal Institution Academic International Other:

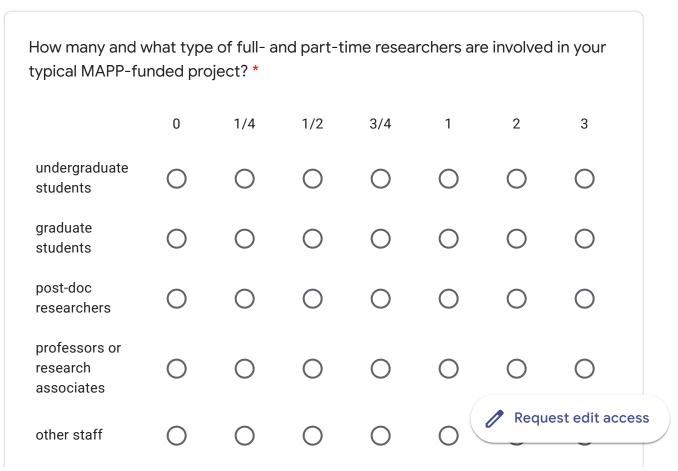
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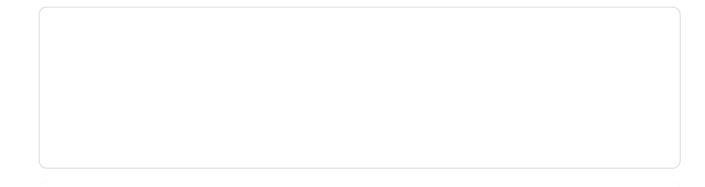


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MAPP PI survey

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Application Experience

What motivated you to apply to a CPO/MAPP solicitation? * Please rank from least important = 1 to most important = 5						
	1 (least important)	2	3	4	5 (most important)	
Generally secure more research funding	0	0	0	0	0	
Interest in MAPP research topic	0	0	0	0	0	
Desire to work on NOAA- relevant issues	0	0	0	0	0	
Pursue research relevant to expertise	0	0	0	0	0	
Support post- doc or student	0	0	0	0	0	
	rking hours did APP including al					
Your answer						

For a typical MAPP-sized award of \$510K over a three-year period, the time it takes you to develop and submit a proposal is__ given the size/duration of the award: *

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

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To what extent do you feel the following categorical factors influence CPO/MAPP's peer review process, impacting your proposal's evaluation? *

	1 (Weakly Influence)	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
researcher career stage	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	C
researcher gender	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	C
researcher race	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	C
institution type	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	C
institution location	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	C
amount of funding requested	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	C
quality of proposed science	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	C
qualifications of applicants	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	C
relevance to agency	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	C
relevance to program	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	C
relevance to solicitation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	C
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Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statements about the review process *

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
The review panel feedback I received was constructive and informative	0	0	0	0	0
I incorporated the panel review comments into my research over the course of the project	0	0	0	0	0
I used the panel review summary to improve my future proposal submissions to CPO/MAPP	0	0	0	0	0
I have a clear understanding of the grant review process	0	0	0	0	0
Grant peer review is the best method to allocate research funding	0	0	0	0	0
Grant peer review treats junior researchers objectively	0	0	0	0	0
Grant peer review encourages innovative or risky research	0	0	0	0	0

Other methods, besides grant peer review, are needed to allocate research funding	0	0	0	0	0	
A double blind peer review processes (where identity of the PIs is kept anonymous to the reviewers) would reduce inherent bias toward your proposal in the CPO/MAPP review process	0	0	0	0	0	
MAPP should use a double- blind review process	0	0	0	0	0	
MAPP should include mail/external reviewers in addition to the panel review	0	0	0	0	0	
Local economic factors (e.g. market salaries, cost of living, institutional costs) have a significant impact on the cost-competitiveness my proposal	0	0	0	0	0	
Proposal budget limits should be proportional to the local cost of	0	0	0	0	0	

single fixed ceiling everywhere The Research Performance Progress Report allows me to effectively communicate project progress	0	0	0	0	0
What percentage of ultimately funded?		nitted MAPP	proposals w	ould you esti	mate are
0-20%					
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Thinking about you the optimal budge objectives related Keep in mind that larger are limited. Choose	t limit for yo to the comp	our proposed petition? *	l work to read	ch the scienti	fic

Do you have any comments on the current process to submit proposals, things we might consider to make the process simpler and less arduous, suggestions on factors to consider when considering proposal budget caps, or any other comments regarding your application experience?

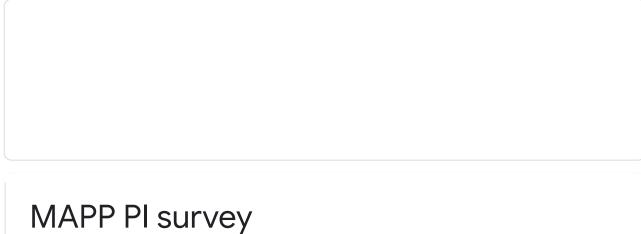
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Alternative funding models

This section explores alternative options to disburse funding efficiently and effectively.

In some theoretical cases, successful proposals could receive seed as opposed to full funding depending on results from the panel review. Seed funding may provide start-up funds to early career researchers learning how to submit successful proposals, target meritorious tasks in otherwise non-meritorious projects enhancing project success, and provide at least some compensation for the submission of a proposal instead of a limited all-or-nothing proposition as exists currently. Implementing a seed funding option would necessitate a reduction in the success rate of fully-funded proposals since program funds are limited.

Currently, MAPP receives 30-40 proposals per competition and funds proposals at or near their requested amount (depending on panel comments and typically maximum \$170K per year) at a 1/4-1/3 success rate.

What would be an optimal minimum amount of seed funding to usefully support a discrete task from a proposal (use your best estimation of a typical proposal task)? *



Which of the following funding models would be most beneficial to the broad research community? *

This hypothetical assumes a typical competition with 40 submitted proposals at \$170k/year each, and 13 successful proposals. Seed funding options use \$70k/year value. Note that the hybrid full/seed funding models would never fund proposals or tasks deemed deficient in the panel review.

Proposal Rank	13 full, 0 seed	12 full, 2 seed	11 full, 5 seed	10 full, 7 seed	9 full, 10 seed	
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2						fully funded
3						partially (seed) funded
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Please indicate your position for the following statements on the new seeds funding model. *

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	
The seed fund approach would reduce my overall time spent submitting proposals by distributing funds more broadly	0	0	0	0	0	
Seed funds would help my research and career development	0	0	0	0	0	
The availability of seed awards with an overall higher success funding rate would motivate me to submit more proposals to MAPP	0	0	0	0	0	
I would be comfortable with the review panel identifying components of	0	0	0	0	0	

my proposal to receive with seed funding					
Elements of my proposals can typically be discretely	0	0	0	0	0
divided into components for partial funding					
*	seed instead of ast likely = 1 to most		g, what would	d you use th	ne funding for?
	1 (least likely application	2	3	4	5 (most likely application)
PI salary	0	0	0	0	0
postdoc	\circ	0	0	0	0
graduate student	0	0	0	0	0
travel	0	0	0	0	0
publications	0	0	0	0	0
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