##

**ee360+: *Leadership and Training Collaborative Year 4 – Project WILD***

**Requests for Proposals (RFP)**

Year 4(June 1, 2024 - May 31, 2025)

Project WILD is excited to share that we are a Training Partner in the **ee360+ Leadership and Training Collaborative** **(ee360+)**. An ambitious multi-year initiative, the ee360+ Leadership and Training Collaborative connects, trains, and promotes innovative leaders dedicated to using the power of education to create a more just and sustainable future for everyone, everywhere. Led by the North American Association for Environmental Education (NAAEE), ee360+ is made possible through funding and support from U.S. EPA and twenty-seven partner organizations representing universities and nonprofits across the country, and five federal agencies. Through this partnership, ee360+ brings together more than five decades of expertise to grow, strengthen, and diversify the environmental education field. Visit [www.ee360.org](http://www.ee360.org) to learn more.

As part of this initiative, Project WILD will provide up to three boxes of guides (Project WILD, Aquatic WILD, Flying WILD, Climate & Wildlife) at no cost (including shipping). This training will enable educators to effectively teach about environmental issues and use Project WILD as a tool for improving teaching, learning, and achieving a healthy and sustainable environment.

**Goal: Drive Educator Excellence through developing a cadre of educators and trainers who are environmentally literate and better prepared to be effective environmental educators.**

**Objectives**

* Deliver in-service educator training that builds on existing quality environmental education programs.
* Increase outreach to diverse populations (including geographical diversity).
* Increase delivery of wildlife and climate change professional development to in-service educators.
* Deliver pre-service educator training that enables faculty and instructors in education departments at colleges and universities to effectively include environmental education in their courses. Special emphasis on working with HBCU’s and Tribal colleges.

**Links to all related documents can be found at** <https://www.fishwildlife.org/projectwild/ee360-year-4>

For any questions, please contact Elena Takaki (etakaki@fishwildlife.org).

## Training Grant Guidelines

**Applicant Eligibility:** Priority for applicants goes to Project WILD State Coordinators and higher education faculty. Other applicants are considered on a case-by-case basis and availability of funding.

**Grant Period:** Extends from **June 1, 2024 – May 31, 2025**. All activities must conclude by **May 31, 2025**.

**Grant Application Deadline:** Grant applications are accepted on a rolling basis until all funds are exhausted.

**Available Funding – 1A: In-Service and non-formal educator training**

* $10,000 is available for Project WILD, Aquatic WILD, and Flying WILD guides (must use the *Project WILD*

*Year Four ee360+ Coordinator Order Form*). For each guide received, you must train one individual.

* $1,200 is available for Climate & Wildlife guides (must use the *Project WILD Year Four ee360+ Coordinator Order Form*). For each guide received, you must train one individual.
* *Note: Grant funds cannot be used for food or indirect expenses*.

**Available Funding – 1B: Pre-Service and college educator training**

* $3,200 is available for Project WILD, Aquatic WILD, Flying WILD, and Climate & Wildlife guides (must use the *Project WILD Year Four ee360+ Coordinator Order Form*). For each guide received, you must train one individual.

**Application Format -** To be eligible for review, please complete the *Project WILD ee360+ Training Grant RFP Year 4 Application.* Please use the form below OR complete the online Form 1A In-Service and/or Form 1B Pre-Service found [on our website](https://www.fishwildlife.org/projectwild/ee360-year-4)). Grant applications should include clear, concise, and thoughtful descriptions and explanations for all items on the form. **Please limit applications to no more than four pages.**

**Grant Determination and Notification**- The National Project WILD office will review and evaluate the applications, make award determinations, and notify grant recipients of their standing.

**Grant Requirements - Once the grants are awarded, states are responsible for implementing the projects.** Individual states must oversee the programs, complete workshops by **May 31, 2025**, collect evaluations, maintain records of individuals trained, maintain financial records, and provide reports to the National Office.

**Grant Reports –**

* **Interim Report -Due Dec 1, 2024.** Email a one paragraph update to Elena (etakaki@fishwildlife.org).
* **Final Report – Due May 1, 2025.** For information on grant reporting requirements, please go to our website (<https://www.fishwildlife.org/projectwild/ee360-year-4>).

**Required documentation includes:**

* Workshop Agenda
* Description of workshop
* Zip code(s) of workshop location(s)
* Surveys completion by participants (available on our website)

**Optional documentation includes:**

* Photos and Videos– Photo release form available [on our website](https://www.fishwildlife.org/projectwild/ee360-year-4)
* Flyers used to advertise for the workshop

***Project WILD ee360+ Training Grant RFP Year 4 Application***

Please respond to the following items to complete the grant application. Please limit applications to no more than four pages. Return completed proposal to Elena Takaki at etakaki@fishwildlife.org. By agreeing to accept funds, you also agree to provide the required documentation (see above) and to do your best to gather requested surveys from workshop attendees.

## **1. Contact Information**

***Coordinator/contact****:* Identify the person responsible for organizing and implementing the project.

Name: Title:

State and Agency/Organization:

Address:

Phone:

E-mail: Website:

## **2. Audiences, Target Numbers, and Curriculum Guides**

## 2.1 Indicate which audiences, target numbers, and type of Project WILD training (e.g. Project WILD, Aquatic WILD, Flying WILD, and/or Climate & Wildlife) you are applying for (mark all that apply):

□ In-Service Educators (1A):

□ Formal

□ Elementary

□ Middle

□ Secondary

Target number to be reached: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Materials for training in (which Project WILD):

□ Non-Formal

 Target number to be reached: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 Materials for training in (which Project WILD):

□ Pre-Service Faculty (1B):

Target number to be reached: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Materials for training in (which Project WILD):

□ Pre-Service Students (trained in a workshop separate from their coursework) (1B):

Target number to be reached: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Materials for training in (which Project WILD):

2.2 Please list the total dollar amount (including shipping) you are requesting in guides. (To calculate the total amount, please see the *Project WILD Year Four ee360+ Coordinator Order Form* at <https://www.fishwildlife.org/projectwild/ee360-year-4>) $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**3. Project Description**

Describe the training you propose to do (location, audience, etc.).

Number of educators: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Number of guides requested: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

In-person, Online, or Hybrid: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Goal of Workshop:

List at least two outcomes you expect of workshop participants. Outcomes are the value added of your workshop; the impact; knowledge gained; behavior changed. Ex: Nature center educators will be able to confidently deliver at least three activities outdoors as part of their 4th grade program.

Outcome 1:

Outcome 2:

Any other details you want to provide:

**4. Funding Request Details**

Please check one:

□ In-Service Educator Training Funding Request (1A)

□ Pre-service Educator Training Funding Request (1B)

NOTE: If you are requesting funding to compensate for salaries, please provide the amount of funding requested and a description of hours allocated (e.g. $300 for 10 hours of workshop leadership @$30/hr).

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| **Training Funding Request** |
| **Expense Category** | **Explanation (Include detailed cost breakdown)** | **Funding Requested**  |
| Salaries (i.e. State Coordinator) (only available for 1A) |  | $ |
| Travel (mileage) |  | $ |
| Other Expenses |  | $ |
| Total dollar amount for curriculum guides (insert total from 2.2 above) |  | $ |
| **TOTAL**  | $ |