CRITERIA FOR FUNDING GRANTS FOR COOPERATIVE NURSERY SPONSORS

Requests from organizations involved in the PA Fish & Boat Commission's (hereafter 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 \$5,000 maximum.

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 be after contract completion and funds have been received, no before the fact purchases.

PFBC favors supporting projects in the following areas:

- New sponsor construction.
- Major addition / 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 <u>date</u> <u>specified in application memo from the Unit</u> (This letter will accompany grant applications).

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