

2026 ITRC Project Team Proposals - Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

If you have any additional questions at any time, please contact Charles Reyes, ITRC Director, at creyes@ecos.org.

What are the key proposal deadlines and other important dates for the proposal process?

| Stage | Date |
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| Project Team Proposal Due | May 27, 2025 (5pm ET) |
| Proposal Scoring Begins | June 2, 2025 |
| Proposal Scoring Ends | July 8, 2025 |
| Proposals Selected by ITRC Board of Advisors; ERIS Board of Directors | July – August 2025 |
| Announcement of 2026 Project Teams | August 2025 |

Who can submit an ITRC Project Team proposal?

Anyone can submit an ITRC Project Team proposal. Please include contact information for everyone involved in developing the proposal.

What format should the proposal be submitted in?

All proposals must be developed using the **2026 Project Team Proposal Form** on the ITRC website and emailed to Charles Reyes, ITRC Director, at creyes@ecos.org.

Can I submit a proposal for a research project?

No, ITRC does not fund research projects. ITRC funds Project Teams that focus on creating tools and strategies to reduce interstate barriers to the deployment of innovative environmental technologies.

Can I submit an ITRC Project Team proposal on any environmental topic?

Yes, all environmental topics will be considered, including proposals that would update existing ITRC Guidance Documents. ITRC has a listed of [suggested environmental topics for 2026 here](#).

What is the difference between the Environmental Topic and the Project Title?

An environmental topic is a broad word or phrase that helps ITRC categorize project proposals. The project title should be more specific and solution oriented. It should further define the environmental topic being addressed and the intended outcome of the proposed project.

What are some examples of ITRC deliverables?

The [ITRC Product Definitions Guide](#) provides information about ITRC deliverables. This is not an exhaustive list. Examples of completed [ITRC Guidance Documents](#) and [training deliverables](#) are also available on the ITRC website.

How many State Team Leaders are required to be included in the Proposal Form?

There is no requirement for including a state team leader in the proposal. ITRC will request applications from members interested in being a Team Leader after Project Teams are selected. See the [ITRC Team Leader Guide](#) for more information about this role.

If selected, what is the time commitment for an ITRC Project Team?

A typical ITRC Project Team is active between 15 months and 24 months, and it is dependent on the several factors including the Project Team's environmental topic, approved deliverables, and available funding. Depending on your role (as a Team Leader or a team member) the time commitment can vary.

How are proposals evaluated?

Proposals are evaluated by the ITRC Board of Advisors with input from the ITRC State Engagement Program, supporting Federal Agencies, and Industry Affiliates Program.

Where can I find more information about the ITRC Project Team proposal process?

<https://itrcweb.org/submit-proposals>