



# OSPR

## OFFICE OF SPILL PREVENTION AND RESPONSE

California Department of Fish And Wildlife

## FUNDING AVAILABLE for Oil Spill Prevention and Response Studies

*The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) is currently accepting proposals to fund up to \$200,000 in specialized oil spill-related scientific studies in marine and inland environments. Eligible studies must relate to improved oil spill prevention and response efforts, best technologies, and the improved understanding of the effects of oil on state waters.*

**Applications must be received by 09/12/2018, and award recipients will be notified in December.**

Full funding for COSSEP projects comes from the Oil Spill Prevention and Administration Fund, which assesses a per-barrel fee on oil entering California refineries. No taxpayer-funded dollars are directed to this account.

The number of contracts to be awarded is not pre-determined, but the total amount budgeted for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 is approximately \$200,000. There is also no specified minimum amount to be awarded.

**For more information, please visit [www.wildlife.ca.gov/OSPR/Science/SSEP](http://www.wildlife.ca.gov/OSPR/Science/SSEP) or contact Contract Analyst Heather Sironen at (916) 324-6252.**



CDFW's Office of Spill Prevention and Response (OSPR) operates the California Oil Spill Study and Evaluation Program (COSSEP), which fulfills a legislative mandate to provide funding to any person or entity that qualifies to contract with the state for studies in the following areas:

- Investigation and evaluation of applied spill prevention and response technologies.
- Effects of oil and spill response on fish and wildlife habitat and water quality.
- Strategies for best achievable protection of wildlife and habitats.
- Wildlife collection and rehabilitation during a spill incident.
- Natural resource damage assessment technologies and methods.