



Atlantic Fisheries Fund

Presentation to Municipality of the County of Inverness

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Inverness County– Context

- Provincial Licence Holders
 - 7 Licensed Fish Buyers
 - 4 Licensed Fish Processors
 - 27 Licensed Aquaculture Sites
- ~\$79,000,000 in reported purchases in 2018
- Several major commercial wharves



AFF Purpose – Atlantic Region

- Transform and drive innovation in the Atlantic fish and seafood sector
 - Innovative processes and technologies in harvesting, processing and aquaculture sectors
 - Infrastructure/new technology investments to improve quality, productivity and sustainability
 - Science Partnerships to enhance knowledge and understanding of changing oceanic conditions
- Provincial Priorities a Key Consideration



AFF Funding Model

- Partnership: Canada and the 4 Atlantic Provinces
 - Joint Management, Delivery and Approvals
 - Cost-shared 70/30
- Atlantic Component: \$295M Fed + Prov 30%
- National Marketing Pillar - \$30M + additional from all participating Provinces & Territories



Who can Apply?

- Commercial Enterprises
 - Harvesters
 - Processors
 - Aquaculturists
- Non-Commercial Organizations
 - Indigenous Organizations or Groups (other than Commercial)
 - Industry Associations
 - Research and Academic Institutions
 - Other NGOs that support the sector



Program Assistance

- Commercial Enterprises:
 - Contribution Less Than \$100,000 – Non-Repayable
 - Contribution Over \$100,000 – Repayable or conditionally repayable dependent on circumstances
- Commercial Enterprises:
 - % Contribution available from all Government sources
 - Less than 19 employees – up to 80%
 - 20-499 employees – up to 75%
 - 500 or more employees – up to 50%



Program Assistance

- Non-Commercial Organizations:
 - Non-repayable Contributions up to 80% (all Government sources)
 - % Contribution Based on Need:
 - Priorities for Fisheries, Seafood and Aquaculture Sectors
 - Level of Risk Involved
 - Availability of Other Funding



Examples of Approved Projects

- Harvesting:
 - Automated long lines and sustainable harvesting technology
 - Various onboard handling equipment related to improving the quality of fish when harvested
 - Electronic and new technology adoption for increasing efficiencies (e.g. Notus Echo system for shrimp fishery)
 - Pilot testing alternative, sustainable harvesting technologies for crab and lobster fisheries

Examples of Approved Projects

- Processors
 - New technology/state-of-the-art processing equipment to gain efficiencies and automate; as well as reduce energy consumption
 - Demonstration of new technology for live lobster holding
 - Acquisition of Automated live lobster grading systems
 - Traceability and Inventory management systems

Examples of Approved Projects

- Aquaculture
 - Acquisition of automated grading equipment for oysters
 - Productivity and efficiency improvements in grow-out gear and equipment for shellfish aquaculture
 - Adoption of new technologies to upgrade grow-out sites and hatcheries (shellfish and finfish)

Provincial Areas of Focus

- Harvesting, Processing, Aquaculture
- Innovation
- Quality
- Traceability
- Increased Value
- Improved Productivity
- Operating Efficiencies
- Sustainable Methods
- Market Access

Conclusion

- What are you hearing from the fish and seafood sector?
- How do you see the AFF advancing your priorities?
- Do you see yourself supporting the work of the AFF?



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