



## Rapid Response Grant Program Guidelines

Alaska Conservation Foundation's Rapid Response grant program provides support for direct conservation advocacy to address urgent or unforeseen opportunities or threats of statewide or national significance. The goal of the program is to support the long term development of more robust environmental policy and enduring conservation impact in Alaska. Preference will be given to projects that have a clearly defined timeline with an expected decision point. Grants up to \$15,000 are awarded on a rolling basis.

### Applicants for Rapid Response grants must meet the following criteria:

- Be a non-profit (or equivalent) organization engaged in conservation advocacy
- Be based in Alaska, or have an Alaska-based program
- Meet the criteria of addressing an urgent or unforeseen opportunity or threat
- If a current ACF grantee, be in good standing with required grant reports
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### Rapid Response grants support activities that result in:

- Reduction in destructive environmental activities
- More favorable laws and policies for the environment
- Stronger regulation of these policies and enforcement of these laws
- Stronger environmental protections
- More sustainable economic development or activities

### Rapid Response grants will support:

- Legal support
- Grassroots advocacy
- Communications & outreach
- Meeting(s) with decision makers
- Scientific or technical support
- Travel
- Contract services
- Up to 15% administrative fee

### The following activities/costs are not eligible for Rapid Response grants:

- Operating expenses, including existing staff salaries
- Education programs or scholarships
- Equipment, land acquisition, or research
- Capital campaigns
- Literary and/or film projects
- Fees to attend conferences
- Projects outside of Alaska

## Application Process

Applicants who believe their project meets these guidelines and criteria may submit an application at any time. Applicants can expect a final decision within 12 business days of their submission. Please consider reaching out to ACF staff to confirm that your project is a fit for this program before applying.

All grant recipients are required to submit a final report as outlined in the grant agreement using the online reporting template provided by Alaska Conservation Foundation.

For questions regarding Rapid Response grants, please email [grants@alaskaconservation.org](mailto:grants@alaskaconservation.org).

To apply, click [HERE](#).