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Deadline Approaching for Recreational Fisheries Conservation Partnerships Program

Ottawa, ON – The deadline to apply for Federal Government funding through the Recreational Fisheries Conservation Partnerships Program (RFCPP) is **Wednesday, December 18th, 2013.**

The RFCPP was developed to support projects led by recreational fishing and angling groups, as well as conservation organizations, aimed at improving the conservation of recreational fisheries habitat. Through the 2013 Federal Budget, the RFCPP has made \$10 million available over 2 years. During the first year of the program (2013-14), \$4 million was made available for eligible projects. During the second year of the program (2014-15), \$6 million will be available for eligible projects. Funds will be allocated through a competitive process.

“I strongly encourage all Sportsmen’s Association’s and other interested groups with an eligible project in Bruce and Grey counties to apply for funding through the Recreational Fisheries Conservation Partnerships Program,” said Larry Miller, MP for Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound. “There have been several local projects that received funding in the first year of this program and I hope to see other organizations in the area receive funds to support these important projects.”

The program will consider requests for funding of up to \$250,000 per project per year. Applications can be submitted for new projects as well as projects that are already running that could use additional funding. In recognition of the importance of a partnership approach, at least 50% of project funding must come from a source other than the federal, provincial, territorial and/or municipal government. In kind donations such as labor and equipment along with monetary donations can be used to compose the applicant’s contribution to the project.

For more information and for the online application form please visit; <http://www.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/pnw-ppe/rfcpp-ppcpr/index-eng.html>.