

Revisions to the FWC's Grants Program Rule, 68 -1.003
Summary of Changes - Florida's State Wildlife Grants, Subsection 11

- Subsection 11 of the rule already refers to Florida's State Wildlife Grant Program Guidelines as well as a budget form and an application form. These documents were last revised in 2011, 2008, and 2008 respectively.
- FWC is proposing that the rule reference updated documents from 2014. Here is a summary of the changes for each document:
 - State Wildlife Grant Program Guidelines
 - Rearranged portions of the Introduction to improve reader understanding and connection between State Wildlife Grants and Florida's State Wildlife Action Plan
 - Updated the name of Florida's State Wildlife Action Plan (previously known as the Comprehensive Wildlife Conservation Strategy)
 - Clarified the duties of our Goal Teams and Grants Committee; How teams are used and the responsibilities of each team
 - Clarified targeted and general grant types
 - Clarified the differences in submitting targeted and general grant type applications
 - Rearranged portions of the Application Preparation and Submission section of the document to include guidance in a more helpful and succinct order
 - Minor clarifications to various parts of Application Preparation and Submission section of the document
 - Removed need for paper copy submission
 - Added a requirement of a short public description paragraph. This will address reporting needs for the federal Tracking and Reporting Actions for the Conservation of Species (TRACS) system.
 - Clarified our need for clear & measureable objectives for proposals
 - Clarified the schedule and associated table
 - Clarified some information under budget and what can be used as match for State Wildlife Grant projects
 - Clarified what can be supported with State Wildlife Grant funds under Salaries and Wages
 - Clarified how evaluation of proposals is conducted.
 - Added an appendix with hyperlinks to information referenced in the document
 - Budget Form
 - Added space for co-PI and Grant Manager information
 - Application Form
 - Now in Adobe for ease of use (previously in Microsoft Word)
 - Removed an obsolete question about the Nongame Wildlife Grants Program
 - Added a directions page to clarify each section