

Call for Funding Applications

The Alberta Upstream Petroleum Research Fund (AUPRF) is seeking applications for the 2018 funding cycle for projects that are of focused interest to industry. The priority focus areas include: Air Issues, Ecological, Remediation and Reclamation, and Well Abandonment.

The Alberta Upstream Petroleum Research Fund (AUPRF) is an industry-sponsored fund supported by the Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers (CAPP) and the Explorers and Producers Association of Canada (EPAC). The AUPRF Program is managed and administered through Petroleum Technology Alliance Canada (PTAC). PTAC is a neutral facilitator of multi-stakeholder industry research and technology development projects and PTAC staff will not screen, evaluate or make decisions on the review of proposals and selection of projects. The AUPRF Program provides an effective mechanism for industry and government to coordinate and collaborate on the formulation and delivery of strategic environmental research and innovation.

The AUPRF Program supports practical science-based studies that develop credible and relevant information to address knowledge gaps in the understanding and management of high priority environmental and social matters related to conventional oil and gas exploration and development in Alberta. Research results are shared with the oil and gas industry as well as regulators, government agencies, and other stakeholders.

In 2017, industry invested through AUPRF over \$3.6M in environmental research projects leveraging significant additional funding resulting in projects with total costs equaling more than \$10M.

The AUPRF application process utilizes a staged approach.

Interested applicants should submit a Letter of Intent (LOI) no later than January 18th, 2018. Please note that selected applicants will be asked to submit a more detailed proposal in early February with a proposal deadline of early March 2018. Selected projects to proceed will be announced between February and June 2018.

Select technical area to view the 2018 Policy Issues and Knowledge Gaps



APPLICATION PROCESS

Step 1 – [Letter of Intent \(LOI\)](#)

This application process is a staged approach. The intent of the LOI is to provide a high-level overview of the project in non-technical terms. This is a short online application, **please do not submit any confidential information**. Note that a typical award amount ranges from \$5,000 to \$200,000 CDN.

Step 2

Successful applicants will be asked to submit a detailed proposal.

For more information or if you have questions please contact:

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NSERC FUNDING OPPORTUNITY

Researchers who are NSERC-eligible and who wish to apply to AUPRF and NSERC for matching project funding must complete both the AUPRF application and NSERC Collaborative Research and Development application. The following is a link to NSERC website:

http://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/Professors-Professeurs/RPP-PP/CRD-RDC_eng.asp.

For more information on NSERC Funding opportunities please contact: rpp@nserc-crsng.gc.ca