

Northern Producers Recovery Program 2006 Information Sheet



Who Can Apply?

The following are eligible to apply for a non-repayable contribution under this program:

1. Commercial fishers or commercial fishing operators who are licensed to participate in a designated fishery;
2. Recognized fisher associations, commercial fisher cooperatives, and communities or local governments, that provide infrastructure for the use of fishers who are licensed to participate in a designated fishery (Category 2 only);
3. Trappers who are licensed to trap fur-bearing animals in a designated trapping area (Category 1 only).

Designated Fisheries/Trapping Areas:

On the Churchill River System:

Reindeer, Sisipuk, Highrock, Flatrock, Nelson, Allen and Granville; and

On the Grass River System:

Pakwa, Setting, Partridge Crop and Natawahunan.

What Is Covered?

Subject to the total program cap, non-repayable contributions will be payable for up to 75% of the costs of repairing, replacing or improving equipment and infrastructure used and declared lost in the following categories:

Category 1 – Individual Fishers and Trappers

- (a) Infrastructure: individual docks, cabins and sheds, and
- (b) Equipment: boats, motors, and generators,

To a maximum non-repayable contribution of \$5,000 for a licensed fisher, licensed commercial fishing operator, or licensed trapper; or to a maximum non-repayable contribution of \$10,000 if the licensed commercial fishing operator regularly employs five or more persons in his or her fishing business.

Category 2 – Community Infrastructure

Community or other major infrastructure including docks, access roads, fish plants, boat portages and boat launches, to a maximum non-repayable contribution of 75% of the project costs to a maximum of \$25,000. "Community or other major infrastructure" means infrastructure that is owned or operated by an eligible applicant:

- (a) who is a licensed commercial fishing operator regularly employing five or more persons in his or her fishing business, or

(b) that is shared by five or more active, lawful participants in the designated fishery.

Category 2 claims will be subject to a cap within the program and may be restricted on the basis of program claims and subsequent prioritization by community groups. It should be noted that licensed commercial fishing operators may be eligible under both categories.

How Do I Apply?

Category 1

Application forms are available from offices of the Communities Economic Development Fund (CEDF). CEDF will also endeavor to make forms available in communities either through community visits or through fish agencies and local offices. Application forms will include a Statutory Declaration of the loss experienced by the claimant. CEDF as agent for the Province reserves the right to request further proof of loss.

Category 2

A proposal should be submitted on a community organization letterhead outlining:

- loss suffered
- cost of repairs
- list of suppliers
- estimated start and completion dates of project

The proposal should be accompanied by an endorsement from the local community, where possible.

What is the Application Process?

Applications must be sent to CEDF. Fax is acceptable. CEDF will confirm that the applicant is eligible and will issue a Confirmation of Approval to the supplier identified by the fisher. All Payments will be made directly to suppliers upon presentation of invoice. A copy will be sent to the fisher.

When Can I Apply?

- The deadline for Category 1 applications is August 31, 2006.
- Category 2 applications will be received until September 30, 2006, with the requirement related work and payment be completed by October 31, 2006.

CEDF reserves the right to extend program dates.

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