

Announcement for Upcoming NSRP R&D Project Solicitations

The mission of NSRP is to employ a unique framework to research, develop, mature, and implement industry-relevant shipbuilding and sustainment technologies and processes, improving efficiency across the U.S. shipyard industrial base and meeting future demand.

The NSRP Executive Control Board (ECB) plans to issue both Research Announcement (RA) and Panel Project Solicitations for proposals that address the Program’s mission. NSRP’s research objectives and initiatives are documented in the [Strategic Investment Plan](#) and topics are identified in the [Technology Investment Plan](#).

New Developments

Idea Submission Form

All NSRP projects require at least one U.S. Shipyard participant. A new online [form](#) to facilitate early communication between potential Offerors and ECB member shipyards is available on NSRP.org. The form will be available for submission of R&D ideas to all NSRP shipyards and Panel Officers year-round.

Research Announcement

- In order to increase the innovation and participation of RA25’s portfolio of proposals, the 50% cost share goal will be relaxed for certain participants. The cost share expectation for matching Program-funded participation of the following three organization types is waived for RA25:
 - Small Businesses (per NAICs 541715)
 - Non-Profits
 - Academia
- Cost share contributions from these organizations will still be accepted. These organizations should consider the project’s value to their business and consider providing at least some cost share as part of their project to make it more attractive during the ECB final selections. The ECB will take cost share into consideration in determining the project’s overall value compared to other projects when choosing projects.
- The 50% cost share goal remains unchanged for participation of company types not listed above

Panel Projects

- Program funding ceiling will be increased from \$150K to \$200K
- ECB member shipyard participation requirement will be updated to “Participation by at least one U.S. shipyard is required”

Panel Meetings

NSRP panel meetings serve an important role within the Program by providing a public forum for potential collaboration, project teaming, and transferring R&D technology across the industry. Participation in one of the nine Panels is highly encouraged and a great way to get involved with the Program. Multiple meetings around the country (and virtually) are already scheduled with more to follow. Meetings are always free and open to the public. Visit the [NSRP Event Calendar](#) for the latest information and registration.

Important Dates

<u>RA25 Estimated Timeline</u>
Late March/Early April 2024 – Solicitation Released
Mid-July 2024 - Summary Proposals Due
Late July/Early August 2024 – Technical Evaluation
September 2024 – Virtual Presentations and ECB Selection

<u>FY25 Panel Project Estimated Timeline</u>
May 2024 – Solicitation Released
Late August 2024 – White Papers Due
Late September 2024 – Panel Voting and Down-Select
November 2024 – Panel Officer Presentations and ECB Selection

The RA and Panel Project solicitations will be announced on [SAM.gov](#) and posted on [NSRP.org](#) upon release.