

**Governor’s Agriculture and Forestry Industries Development Fund –
Blue Catfish Processing, Flash Freezing, and Infrastructure Grant Program
(AFID Blue Catfish Program)
Grant Application**

I. Overview

Project Title:	
Applicant Jurisdiction:	Other localities (for multijurisdictional applications only):
Project Start Date:	Anticipated End Date:
Total Cost of Project:	AFID Requested Amount:
Is the locality providing a local match? Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> No: <input type="checkbox"/>	
Primary Contact Information (Locality Representative)	
Name:	
Title:	
Organization:	
Telephone:	
Email Address:	
Mailing Address:	
City, State, Zip:	

II. Project Description

Please provide a narrative demonstrating a clear need, a proposed solution, and an explanation of how grant funding will directly support the processing, flash freezing, and infrastructure of invasive blue catfish species.

III. Eligibility

Please briefly describe how your project meets one or more of the following eligible project types:

- Projects that create processing, flash freezing, and infrastructure capacity in proximity to small-scale blue catfish watermen
 - Processing facilities that are primarily locally owned, including packaging, freezing, and labeling facilities that are used for processing blue catfish
 - Projects that involve or incorporate existing seafood processors and businesses
 - Projects located in the localities of the Rural Coastal Virginia Community Enhancement Authority (§ 15.2-7600) or in Planning District 23
 - Projects providing a local match, if any
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IV. Budget and Budget Narrative

Please use the attached budget form to show the total project costs. Below, provide a written budget narrative; outline specifics on the proposed use of funding and explain the details about the personnel and expenses that are itemized in the budget. Grant funds should be used primarily for capital expenditures.

V. Work Plan

Please outline the project timeline below.

Project Activity	Who	Timeline (Month / Year)

VI. Metrics and Outcomes

Please describe what success would mean for the project and how that success will be measured.

VII. Letters of Support/Attachments

Please attach the following documentation:

- Letter for the chief administrative officer of applicant political subdivision(s) expressing support and how they will assist
 - Letters of support from local blue catfish watermen, industry partners, and/or other affected constituents
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Email the completed application to:

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