

FRIAA FRIP Funds Initiative - Request for Expressions of Interest (RFEOI)

Developing Enhanced Wildfire Knowledge and Predictive Capabilities

November 2025



RFEOI Due – **January 30, 2026, 2:00 p.m. MST**

Any additional questions can be submitted in writing to admin@friaa.ab.ca until 2:00 pm on January 28, 2026. Answers will be posted to the FRIAA website within 48 hours after receipt.

Additional Questions #2

QUESTION #1: Can Alberta-based for-profit companies (that are not in the forestry sector directly) be grant applicants within FRIP?

Yes, applicant eligibility is broad-based and open to any organization that is able to meet the terms and conditions set out in the Project Grant Agreement. A Project Grant Agreement template is provided in the RFEOI package on FRIAA's website available for download.

QUESTION #2: Who would own the data, deliverables and products produced under the FRIP RFEOI?

Ownership of materials is outlined within Section 6 of the Project Grant Agreement, which states:

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QUESTION #3: Would leading practices for human and wildlife safety as well as research on wildfire smoke qualify under this opportunity?

Possibly. The potential limiting factor with this project concept will be ensuring it meets the eligibility requirements as per the program description. How does human and wildlife safety, and research relating to wildfire smoke enhance the forest resources of Alberta, promote enhanced management of the forest resources of Alberta, improve the sustained yield of the forest resources of Alberta, or promote integrated resource management? If you can link the project to at least one of these concepts, then it would be considered in the RFEOI.