

H2Ohio Technology Assessment Program  
Questions and Answers

**Where can I find?**

Q: Where can I find the request for technology (RFT)?

A: <https://epa.ohio.gov/Portals/33/documents/H2OhioTAP-RFT.pdf>

Q: Where can I find the fact sheet?

A: <https://epa.ohio.gov/Portals/47/facts/H2OhioTAP-fact-sheet.pdf>

Q: Where can I find the press release?

A: <http://h2.ohio.gov/h2ohio-tap-issues-request-for-technologies/>

Q: Where can I find links to well-written successful proposals of past H2Ohio TAP RTFs?

A: This is the first RFT H2Ohio TAP has issued. As it is a new program, we do not have past proposals to share.

**Treatment Technology**

Q: If a treatment technology addresses multiple items bulleted in Section 2.2, may I submit a single proposal that addresses them all?

A: A single proposal may be submitted, as long as it does not exceed 15 pages. Please note each bullet point being addressed within the proposal.

Q: If a treatment technology involves the integration of multiple innovative technologies, should a separate proposal be submitted for each technology or the combination of technologies for a given application?

A: In general, arrange proposals in a way to (1) ensure each proposal can be evaluated completely on its own without reference to other proposals, (2) plan each proposal as distinct as possible from the others, and (3) minimize the number of proposals being submitted.

Q: Does the applicant have to be the one who owns the technology?

A: Applicants do not necessarily need to own all the technology components being used as part of their system or proposal. However, they will need to have the appropriate rights to use that technology and must be able to provide relevant data on the performance of the system as a whole, which—depending on the system—may require participation of the firm that owns a specific technology component. Therefore, depending on the type of proposal being submitted, a lack of ownership rights or appropriate licensure may prohibit the performance of an in-depth evaluation or otherwise preclude participation based on intellectual property rights. If that is the case, teaming up with the firm that owns the technology or having a letter of support from that firm may make for a stronger proposal.

### **Available Funding**

Q: What happens after technologies advance to the third-party evaluation? Are funds available for commercial ready technologies?

A: After the third-party consultant completes detailed evaluations of the selected technologies, it is H2Ohio TAP's goal is to facilitate demonstration projects by identifying funding from appropriate federal, state, and philanthropic sources. Please see section 1.4 of the RFT for more information. Additionally, after the third-party evaluation, selected technologies will be automatically enrolled into the Cleveland Water Alliance's (CWA) water accelerator program for market evaluation and consideration for additional support services, including the following:

1. Access to multiple test beds, built for plug and play of new technology solutions for firms throughout the world;
2. Access to capital;
3. Workforce assistance for firms within Ohio or considering adding staff in Ohio;
4. Inclusion into CWA's internationally recognized open innovation competitions, including Erie Hack 3.0; and
5. Mentoring and networking support for doing business in Ohio, the Great Lakes region, and beyond.