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Eligibility Guidance for Stock Assessment Applications

CSP may not be an appropriate funding source for **stock assessment** projects that require sustained annual operational funding given the program's eligibility criteria and relative size of the funding pot available. CSP funding is best suited for:

- A. Initiating new stock assessment programs or pilot projects when there is a credible plan for continuation if successful
- B. Improving or expanding existing programs with evidence of multi-year feasibility (staffing, funding, data continuity).
- C. One-time investments that increase the value or quality of ongoing assessments

Stock assessments for populations or streams that function as reference indicators for broader conservation units, watersheds, or management areas may be considered higher value than assessments that inform only a single local population. Applications must clearly identify the intended purpose of the stock assessment data, and the stewardship or conservation decisions the information will directly support.