

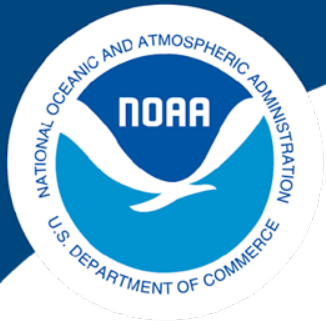


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# Saltonstall-Kennedy Research Program

Background, Process,  
and Transparency





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# Financial Assistance

## NMFS Grants Enterprise

691 Grants  
\$393M

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## S-K Competitive Program

40 Grants  
\$10M



# Major Program Areas

- **Sustainable Fisheries**
  - IJ Grants
  - Councils and Commissions
  - **Saltonstall Kennedy Program**
- **Protected Resources**
  - Mitchell Act
  - PCSRF
  - ESA Grants
  - Marine Mammal Grants
- **Habitat Conservation**
  - Coral Program
  - Resiliency Grants
  - DARPP
- **Science and Technology**
  - Fisheries Information Networks
- **Aquaculture**
- **Enforcement**
- **International Affairs**



# The Saltonstall-Kennedy Act

## Promote and Develop (P&D)

- Signed into law in 1954
- Established a fund used by the Secretary of Commerce to provide grants or cooperative agreements for fisheries research and development projects addressing aspects of U.S. fisheries, including:
  - harvesting
  - processing
  - marketing

# Program Objective

Address the needs of fishing communities in optimizing economic benefits within the context of rebuilding and maintaining sustainable fisheries and practices, and in dealing with the impacts of conservation and management measures



# Duties Collected & Transferred



\$513M



- Duties collected from imports are transferred to U.S. Dept. of Agriculture.
- USDA then transfers 30% of the duties from seafood and seafood products to NOAA's Promote and Develop Fisheries Products Account.
- This transfer of funding is the only source of funding for NOAA's Promote and Develop Fisheries Products Account.



\$154M 30%



# NOAA Accounts (P&D, ORF Offset, and S-K)



Transfer \$154.6M from Ag



Promote and Develop Fisheries Products Account (P&D)  
(Mandatory)

\$144M Offset to ORF



Operations, Research, and  
Facilities Account (ORF) (Discretionary)

- Fisheries Data Collections, Surveys, and Assessments
  - *Expand Annual Stock Assessments*
  - *Fish Information Networks*
  - *Survey and Monitoring Projects*
  - *Cooperative Research*
- Interjurisdictional Fisheries Grants

Remaining \$10.6M in P&D after ORF Offset

Available for Saltonstall-Kennedy  
Grant Program (Mandatory)

- *Competitive Grant Program*
- *National Program*

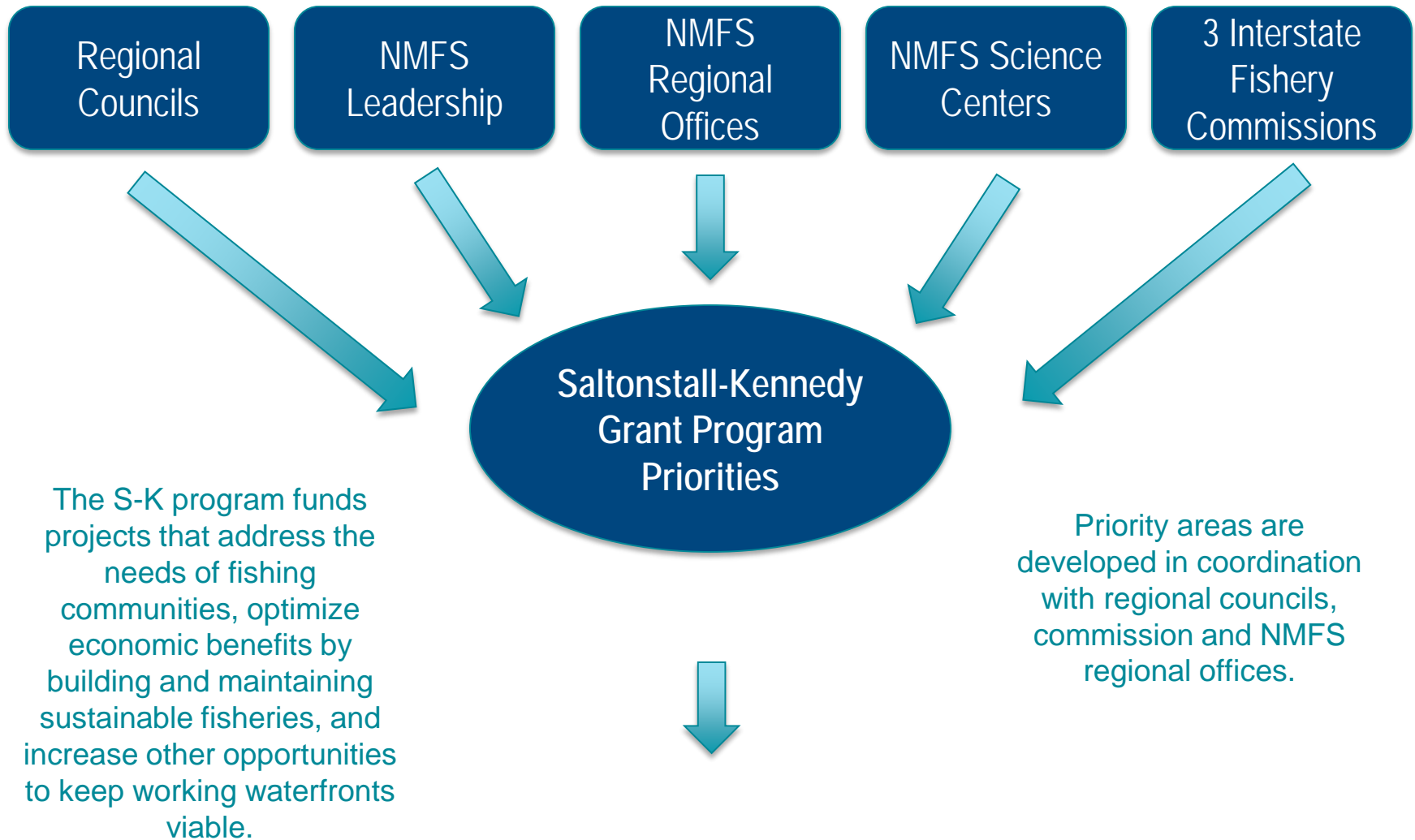
# S-K Competitive Grant Program

- NMFS seeks applications that demonstrate direct benefits to the U.S. fishing industries and encourages proposals that involve fishing community participation
- Priorities are set yearly by NOAA/NMFS
- Proposals are peer reviewed

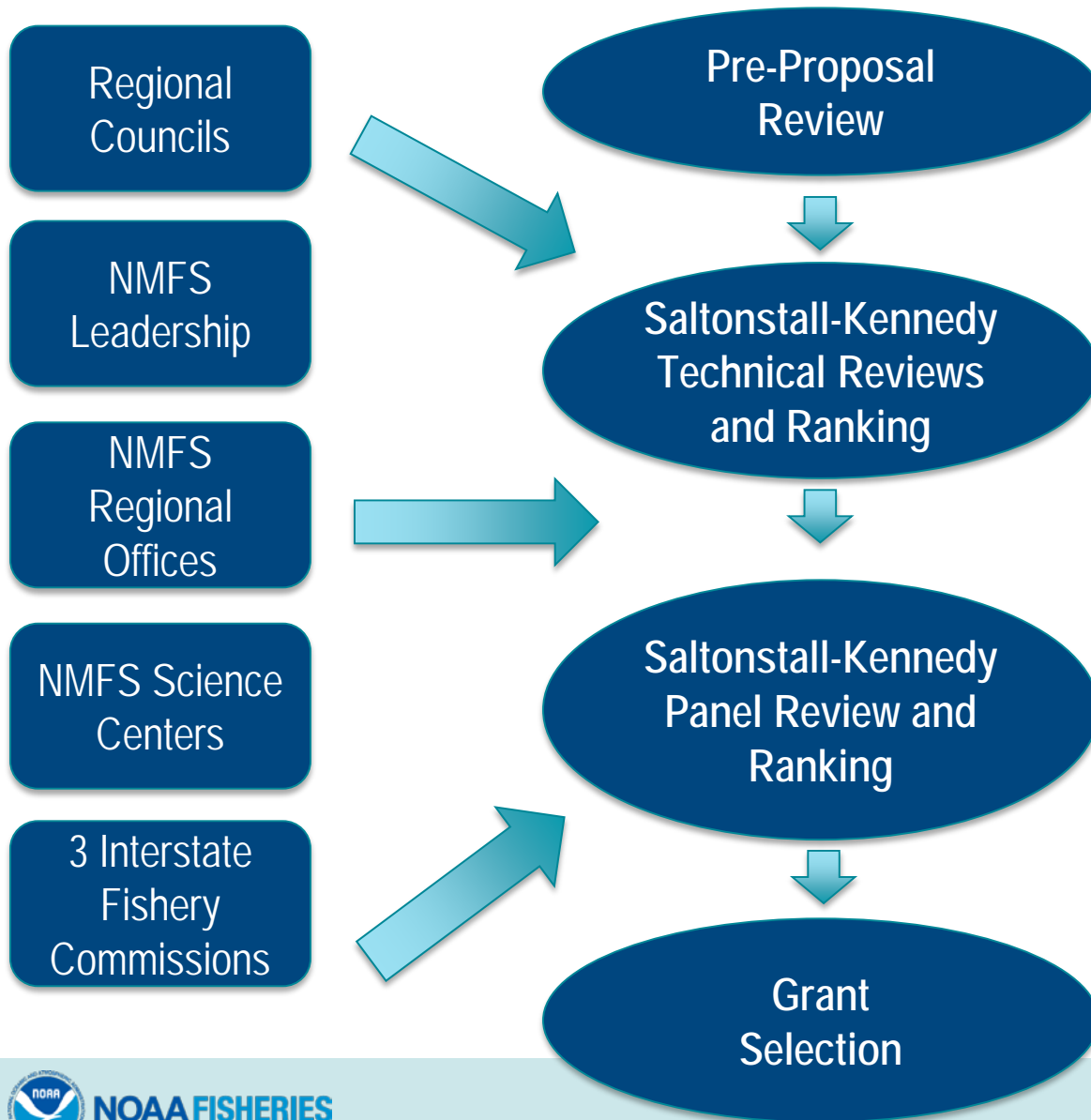




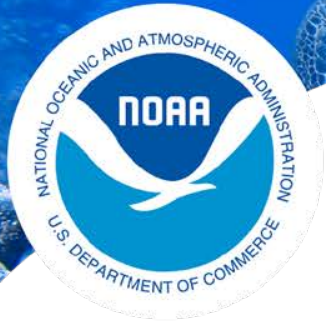
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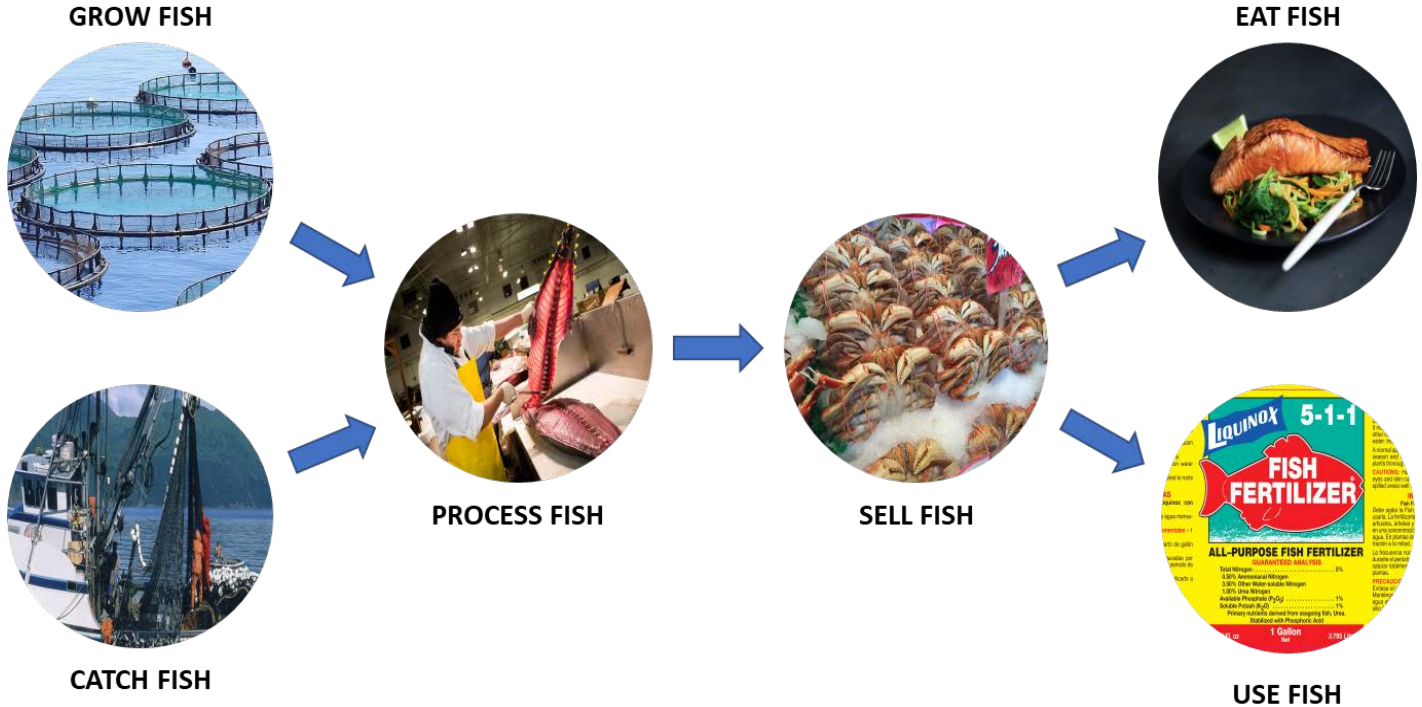
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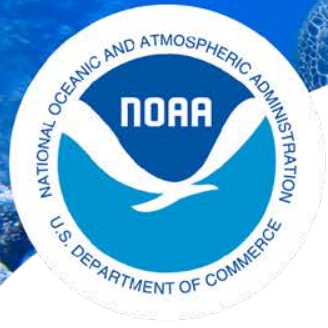


# Fisheries Supply Chain



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# S-K Program Changes in 2019

## 3 Priorities for the S-K 2019 competition

Priority #1 Promote, Development and Marketing

Priority #2 Marine Aquaculture

Priority #3 Support of Science that Maximizes Fishing Opportunities, Revenue and Jobs in U.S. Fisheries While Ensuring the Long-Term Sustainability of Marine Resources



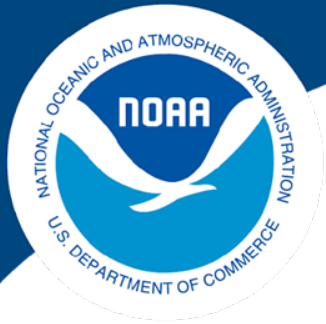
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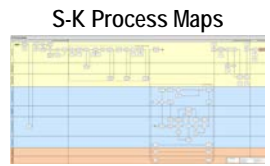
## Independent Review

1. Assess and report on the results of awarded projects to determine if the objectives of the Saltonstall-Kennedy (S-K) Grant Program are being achieved
2. Assess current S-K program management processes and recommend opportunities for improvement



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# Project Methodology



Findings and Recommendation Report



Findings and Recommendation Presentation

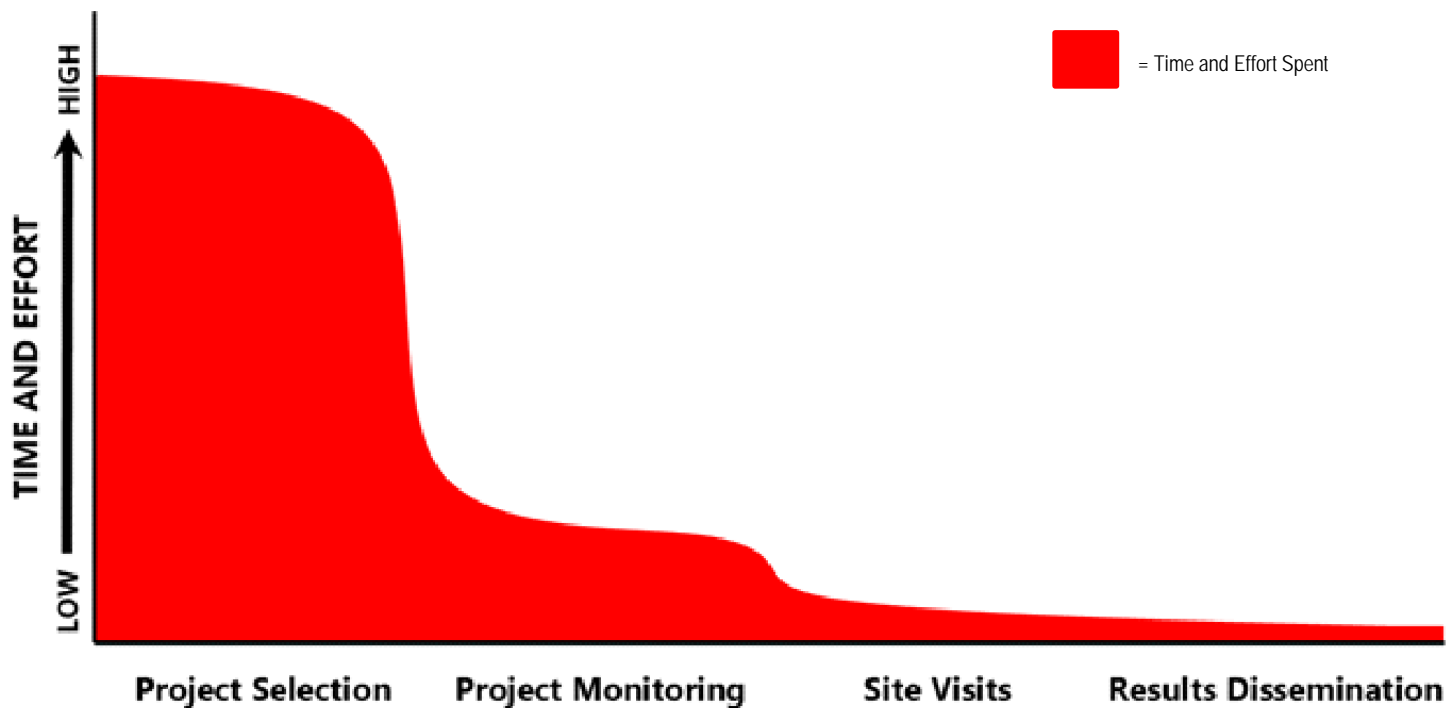


- Visited all regions
- Conducted 108 interviews
- Interviewed 152 people

## NMFS Time and Effort Spent on Competitive Grant Programs



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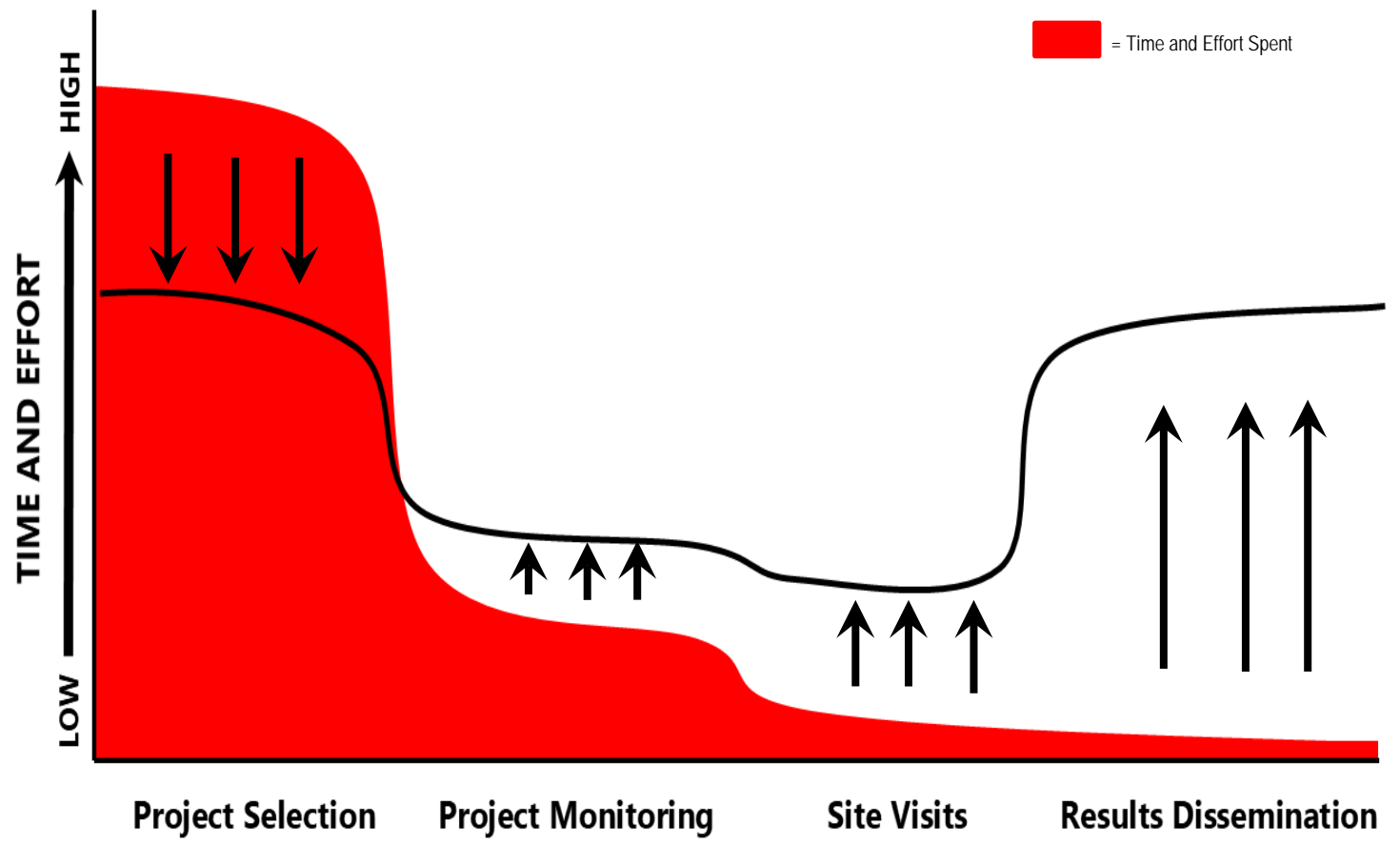
NMFS expends most of its time and effort on selecting and funding projects

Little time and effort spent understanding and disseminating the results being achieved



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### NMFS Time and Effort Spent on the S-K Competitive Grant Program







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# S-K Feedback Sessions

**To Discuss:**

**Constituent Interest in the  
Dissemination of Results from  
Funded S-K Projects**





# Questions