

Key steps in application process.

"The BPAF's grant decision-making process is based on the evaluation of grants requests on a competitive basis in accordance with the objectives and strategies of the BPAF and the broader national biodiversity and resources protection. The grant decision making process is to be revised periodically based on findings and lessons learned throughout the process and identified through monitoring, evaluation, and learning (MEL) to adapt to the changing landscape of threats, needs, and priorities for The Bahamas. The process will involve several components including:

- i. An assessment by the Fund's Board to determine the amount of funds available for grant-making activities for the year. This may also include the determination of annual funding allocations for the different programmatic areas.
- ii. The development and refinement of the Requests for Grants Proposals (RFGPs) to be based on identified Goals, Objectives, and Outcomes in the Grant Making Framework or other BPAF priorities or project documents, the BPAF will develop and refine the RFGP that it will use to solicit grantee applications.
- iii. The development and refinement of grant-scoring criteria to select grantees.
- iv. The formation of a Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) to review grant applications."