The approved amount in the 2013 Work Plan is \$175,000

The approved amount anticipated that \$25,000 would be needed to pay back EAA for Zero-Year funding

Only \$16,758 of the Zero-Year funding was spent and must be repaid to EAA

Thus, the amount available for the ecological modeling contract is \$158,242

To accept the merged proposal the approved budget would have to be increased by \$11,758

The budget increase would have to be approved by both the Implementing Committee and EAA Board

If the budget increase is approved by the Implementing Committee, the EAA Board's Research & Technology Committee will consider a staff recommendation to approve a contract based on the merged proposal