**iCASP – Aims, Areas of Interest, Support and Conditions**

**Aim**The desired impact of iCASP is to encourage the use of existing environmental science to:

* Inform policies, plans and strategies
* Produce materials that help environmental science be used by practitioners
* Generate benefits to Yorkshire’s economy by influencing investments, identifying cost savings, and creating new products and jobs
* Create a network of catchment management experts
* Make Yorkshire a better place to live and work!

 **Areas of Interest**Projects should look to:

* Promote the **resilience** of the region’s cities
* Mitigate **drought and flood risk** in the context of climate change
* Improve the delivery of **flood forecasts**
* Develop approaches to improve the ecological and chemical status of **surface and ground water**
* Enhance **carbon sequestration** in soils and woodlands
* Support **sustainable agriculture**

Project ideas that aim for impact across these areas of interest will be given preference.

**Support**iCASP has a network of expertise and supports projects by;

* Hiring a project lead (and other staff if needed) - to deliver the projects
* Covering Academic Staff Time - to help deliver projects
* Covering travel and meeting expenses
* Secondments
* Project products – e.g. guidance documents, online tools etc.

There is no funding limit for an iCASP project.
To date: smallest £3,376 – largest £252,628, average = £119,455.

**Conditions**iCASP projects must be:

* Co-Produced between stakeholders organisations and academics
* Impact focused – e.g. by influencing policies, benefiting the local economy, building capacity etc.
* Use existing environmental science
* Completed by August 2022 – No minimum duration

iCASP projects cannot:

* Cover Capital costs – e.g. monitoring equipment
* Cover non-academic partners time – needs to be an in-kind contribution or co-financed
* Conduct new research

Please provide a 400 word max summary of your project idea that meets the criteria above. This should include:
- What the opportunity/challenge is that this project can have an impact on
- How this project will deliver this impact
- Who needs to be involved to make this happen