

MWA FUNDING PROPOSALS POLICY

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We here present the policy on funding proposals for the Murchison Widefield Array (MWA) Collaboration.

Scientists (either Individual Members of the MWA Collaboration, or non-Members) who make applications for funding to contribute to building or running of the MWA must adhere to the points outlined in this policy:

1. This policy will be periodically reviewed and revised by the MWA Board, according to changes in project conditions.
2. If users of this policy identify issues relevant to this policy, but not explicitly covered by this policy, these issues can be raised in writing to the MWA Board Chair, for consideration by the Board.
3. Proposals that seek to fund hardware for use with any part of the MWA should be provided to the MWA Principal Scientist, who will coordinate assessment by the MWA Management Team and MWA Board. An endorsement from the MWA Board must be obtained prior to the proposal's submission, and must be sought at least one month before the due date of the proposal.
4. Proposals that seek to fund software that is part of the baseline MWA should be provided to the MWA Principal Scientist, who will coordinate assessment by the MWA Management Team and MWA Board. An endorsement from the MWA Board must be obtained prior to the proposal's submission, and must be sought at least one month before the due date of the proposal.
5. Proposals that seek to fund software for MWA science other than for the baseline MWA do not require MWA Board approval. However these proposals should be provided to the MWA Principal Scientist prior to submission.
6. The MWA project is committed to providing support for the activities, hardware and/or software that are the subject of a funding proposal only if Board endorsement has been provided. The nature of this support, including support during operations, will be defined in a letter from the Board to the Principal Investigator of the funding proposal.

7. A short summary of all successful proposals that fund any other aspect of MWA hardware, software or science analysis should be provided to the Principal Scientist so that a census can be maintained.