NATIONAL PARK SERVICE
FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE: NOTICE OF INTENT TO AWARD

This announcement is not a request for applications.
This announcement is to provide public notice of the National Park Service's intention to award financial assistance for the following project activities. *Refer to Section 2. Grants.gov Posting Determination.*

ABSTRACT	
Grants.gov Opportunity Number	P19AS00574
Project Title	Inventory and Assessment of NPS Alaska Archaeological Collectio
Recipient	Brown University
Anticipated Federal Funding	$560,530
Non-Federal Cost Share	$0
Total Anticipated Award Amount	$560,530
Award Instrument	☑ Task Agreement ☐ Cooperative Agreement ☐ Grant Agreement
Anticipated Period of Performance	09/11/2017 - 09/30/2022
Legal Authority	54 USC 101702(a) and (b)
CFDA # and Title	15.946 - Cultural Resources Management
Single Source Justification Criteria	
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Section 1. Project Summary

PROJECT GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

The objective of this Agreement is to conduct a comprehensive inventory of archeological collections in the care of the Haffenreffer Museum that originate from federal lands in Alaska currently administered by the National Park Service. During the course of the inventory, assessment of the condition of items will also be completed. The resultant inventory will allow NPS to establish formal museum object loans with the Haffenreffer Museum to adequately track, manage and support their long-term care.

STATEMENT OF PUBLIC PURPOSE

The inventory of federal collections will benefit the public in tangible ways—having a more complete understanding of the archeological collections at the Haffenreffer museum will allow the NPS to share the knowledge gained with local native communities; park management; and many researchers who have an interest in this very special area of the nation. Proper rehousing will help preserve the objects; preserving these extremely important objects will help to restore trust with local communities, and help us to become better neighbors. Overall goals include a complete inventory of federal collections from Alaskan archaeology sites found on NPS managed lands that are held at the Haffenreffer Musuem. Secondary objectives include the rehousing of the collections to meet NPS standards, as time and money permits.

STATEMENT OF WORK SUMMARY

The Haffenreffer and NPS will work together to:
Hire a qualified archeologist/museum specialist to manage the project, and student hires, when needed; identify locations of Alaska Federally owned archeological collections at the museum; follow the methods and guidelines of the "NPS Museum Handbook" to inventory and assess the condition of Alaskan Federally owned archeological artifacts; and rehouse the collections if needed. A list with listings of Alaska Federally owned archeological collections at the museum which includes site names/provenience will be submitted to the NPS, as well as an annual report summarizing the project activities, problems, and results. Once a year, or as determined necessary, qualified NPS staff will travel to the Haffenreffer to monitor progress and oversee the project.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE PARTIES

A. The recipient shall be responsible for the following items under this agreement:

1. Provide access to any existing spreadsheets and accession and catalog database information to NPS and project manager/student(s).
2. Hire a qualified archeologist/museum specialist to manage the inventory and condition survey project efforts and student hire(s).
3. Follow the methods and guidelines outlined in the NPS Museum Handbook to inventory and assess the condition of Alaskan Federally owned archeological artifacts, beginning with a prioritized list of archeological sites.
4. Provide museum training (handling, identification, assessing storage conditions, object conditions and curatorial health and safety among other things) to student hire(s).
5. Provide NPS with listings of Alaska Federally owned archeological collections at the museum which include site names/provenience.
6. Participate in bimonthly (every two months) conference calls with NPS Agreement Technical Representative (ATR) and/or other NPS staff as appropriate.

B. The NPS Responsibilities:

☑ A task agreement is proposed;

☐ A cooperative agreement is proposed;

therefore substantial involvement by NPS is anticipated during the period of performance of this agreement. In support of this agreement NPS will:

1. Provide supplies such as baggies, foam, boxes, a camera, photo cards, and a laptop to the museum.
2. Provide equipment in the form of museum collection storage cabinet(s).
3. Provide expertise necessary to properly identify current federal land ownership for all Alaska Federally owned archeological collections held at the Haffenreffer Museum to ensure that Brown University has critical information for the management and care of these collections. This will include qualified NPS staff review of associated Haffenreffer database, accession and catalog records.
4. Provide Haffenreffer Museum staff with contact information for non-NPS Alaska federally owned archeological collections.
5. Send qualified NPS staff to the Haffenreffer to monitor progress and oversee the project as needed.

☐ A grant agreement is proposed, therefore no substantial involvement on the part of the NPS is anticipated for the successful completion of the statement of work. It is anticipated that involvement will be limited to actions related to monitoring project performance and technical assistance at the request of the recipient.

Section 2. Grants.gov Posting Determination

☑ The National Park Service intends to award a task agreement under a previously competed or single source justified award.

☐ The National Park Service intends to award a single source justified cooperative agreement. *Refer to Section 3 Single Source Justification.*

☐ The National Park Service intends to award a single source justified grant agreement. *Refer to Section 3 Single Source Justification.*

Section 3. Single Source Justification

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SINGLE SOURCE POLICY REQUIREMENTS

National Park Service Policy FAP&P 1443-2015-06 requires a written justification which explains why competition is not practicable. The justification must address one of the following criteria.

In order for an assistance award to be made without competition, the award must satisfy one or more of the following criteria:

(1) Unsolicited Proposal – The proposed award is the result of an unsolicited assistance application which represents a unique or innovative idea, method, or approach which is not the subject of a current or planned contract or assistance award, but which is deemed advantageous to the program objectives. The unsolicited proposal must demonstrate an innovative capability or concept not currently available to the government, and prepared without Government involvement. ;

(2) Continuation – The activity to be funded is necessary to the satisfactory completion of, or is a continuation of, an activity presently being funded, for which competition would have a significant adverse effect on the continuity or completion of the activity;

(3) Legislative intent – The language in the applicable authorizing legislation or legislative history clearly indicates Congress' intent to restrict the award to a particular recipient of purpose;

(4) Unique Qualifications – The applicant is uniquely qualified to perform the activity based upon a variety of demonstrable factors such as location, property ownership, voluntary support capacity, technical expertise, or other such unique qualifications. Successful past performance, familiarity with existing requirements, capabilities that can be obtained or matched by a competitor, or a positive reputation, are not considered to be unique qualifications.

(5) Emergencies – Program/award where there is insufficient time available (due to a compelling and unusual urgency, or substantial danger to health or safety) for adequate competitive procedures to be followed.

NPS did not solicit full and open competition for this award based the following criteria:

☑ Task Agreement issued under previously competed or single source master cooperative agreement per Section 2 above. Single Source Justification not applicable.

☐ Unsolicited Proposal ☐ Continuation ☐ Emergency

☐ Legislative Intent ☐ Unique Qualifications

Explanation of the proposed recipient's qualifications or the criteria of the proposed project which requires use of the single source criteria cited.

Section 4. Department of the Interior Secretary's Priorities

This award will support the following DOI Secretary priority(ies):

Other Key Initiatives:

- ☐ Employment of veterans.
- ☐ Supporting DOI Infrastructure needs.
- ☐ Creating jobs in the American economy.
- ☐ Access to outdoor recreation opportunities.

Priority 1: Creating a conservation stewardship legacy second only to Teddy Roosevelt

- ☐ Utilize science to identify best practices to manage land and water resources and adapt to changes in the environment.
- ☐ Examine land use planning process and land use designations that govern public use and access.
- ☐ Revise and streamline the environmental and regulatory review process while maintaining environmental standards.
- ☐ Review DOI water storage, transportation, and distribution systems to identify opportunities to resolve conflicts and expand capacity.
- ☐ Foster relationships with conservation organizations advocating for balanced stewardship and use of public lands.
- ☐ Identify and implement initiatives to expand access to DOI lands for hunting and fishing.
- ☐ Shift the balance towards providing greater public access to public lands over restrictions to access.

Priority 2: Utilizing our natural resources

- ☐ Ensure American energy is available to meet our security and economic needs.
- ☐ Ensure access to mineral resources, especially the critical and rare earth minerals.
- ☐ Refocus timber programs to embrace the entire 'healthy forests' lifecycle.
- ☐ Manage competition for grazing resources.

Priority 3: Restoring trust with local communities

- ☐ Be a better neighbor with those closest to our resources by improving dialogue and relationships with persons and entities bordering our lands.
- ☑ Expand the lines of communication with Governors, state natural resource offices, Fish and Wildlife offices, water authorities, county commissioners, Tribes, and local communities.

Priority 4: Ensuring sovereignty means something

- [ ] Support tribal self-determination, self-governance, and sovereignty.
- [ ] Solidify mutual interests between the U.S. and the freely associated states and territories.

Priority 5: Generating additional revenues to support DOI & National interests

- [ ] Ensure that the public receives the full market value for the natural resources produced on Federal lands.
- [ ] Ensure that fees or costs levied for DOI services are reasonable and targeted to achieve cost recovery.
- [ ] Consider the impact of DOI decisions on economic development and job creation.

Priority 6: Protecting our people and the border

- [ ] Actively support efforts to secure our southern border.
- [ ] Ensure DOI law enforcement staffing addresses public safety risks anticipated on DOI land.
- [ ] Promote a "public service" demeanor within our law enforcement community.

Priority 7: Striking a regulatory balance

- [ ] Reduce the administrative and regulatory burden imposed on U.S. industry and the public.
- [ ] Ensure that Endangered Species Act decisions are based on strong science and thorough analysis.

Priority 8: Modernizing our infrastructure

- [ ] Support the White House Public/Private Partnership Initiative to modernize U.S. infrastructure.
- [ ] Remove impediments to infrastructure development and facilitate private sector efforts to construct infrastructure projects serving American needs.
- [ ] Prioritize DOI infrastructure needs to highlight:
    1. Construction of infrastructure;
    2. Cyclical maintenance;
    3. Deferred maintenance.

Priority 9: Reorganizing for the next 100 years

☐ Improve alignment and integration of the DOI organizational structure. Redistribute organizational resources (people and funding) to enhance mission achievement and improved public service.

☐ Improve organizational alignment with Executive Branch counterparts with major land management assets or influence.

Priority 10: Achieving our goals and leading our team forward

☐ Senior executives are expected to provide leadership in achieving goals of the President and the Secretary.

☐ The Management Team is expected to:

1. Ensure cost-effective operations and quality service to the public;
2. Facilitate organizational cooperation and conflict resolution;
3. Ensure the workplace environment is conducive to employee productivity and safety;
4. Hold individuals accountable for actions that violate DOI policies and requirements.

The proposed project does not support any of the DOI Secretary priorities, but the project is being funded for the following reasons: