National Park Service
U.S. Department of the Interior

NOTICE OF INTENT TO AWARD

This Funding Announcement is not a request for applications. This announcement is to provide public notice of the National Park Service's intention to fund the following project activities without full and open competition.

ABSTRACT	
Funding Announcement Number	**NPS-NOI-P14AS00316**
Project Title	Cooperative Agreement for Watershed Rehabilitation at Redwood National and State Parks
Recipient	Pacific Coast Fish, Wildlife, and Wetlands Restoration Association
Principle Investigator / Program Manager	Mr. Mitch Farro Project Manager P.O. Box 4574 Arcata, CA. 95518 Telephone: (707) 839-5664 Fax: (707) 839-5664 Email: mitch@pcfwwra.org
Total Anticipated Award Amount	Awards will be made through individual Task Agreements in an amount not expected to exceed $500,000 over the span of the Cooperative Agreement.
Cost Share	None
New Award or Continuation?	Renewal Cooperative Agreement
Anticipated Length of Agreement	Five years
Anticipated Period of Performance	September 2014 – September 2019
Award Instrument	Cooperative Agreement
Statutory Authority	16 U.S.C. § 1g

CFDA # and Title	15.946, Cultural Resources Management
Single Source Justification Criteria Cited	(4) Unique Qualifications
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OVERVIEW

The project goal is to effect resource conservation and rehabilitation of resources impacted by past land management through sediment reduction planning and watershed rehabilitation in Redwood National and State Parks (RNSP) and on private lands in the Redwood Creek basin. The recipient will implement assessments and studies of potential sediment sources and provide data and project summary reports to RNSP. The recipient will implement projects to reduce potential sediment delivery to streams within and upstream from the park and implement other watershed and wetland restoration projects to protect natural resources of RNSP. All data collected will be provided to the park. All individual projects will be summarized in a project completion report that describes costs and details project accomplishments.

The public purpose of this Cooperative Agreement is to effect resource conservation and rehabilitation of public trust resources through sediment reduction planning and watershed rehabilitation within RNSP and on other lands in the Redwood Creek basin.

STATEMENT OF JOINT OBJECTIVES/PROJECT MANAGEMENT PLAN

Both NPS and PCFWWRA desire to cooperate in pursuit of their mutual interests and responsibilities in the subject areas described above by implementing collaborative projects at Redwood National and State Parks under the provisions of this cooperative agreement. The goal of this cooperative agreement and the projects that are to be implemented under this agreement, therefore, is to enhance research, planning, and stewardship of cultural and natural resources.

RECIPIENT INVOLVEMENT

The recipient will agree to the following:

1. collaboratively undertake a project titled "**Resource Conservation and Restoration on Park and Private Lands**" as described throughout this Cooperative Agreement;

2. appoint Mitch Farro as Project Manager (PM);
3. utilize only trained and qualified individuals to perform all work associated with this agreement;
4. provide necessary project oversight, coordination with landowners and appropriate park staff, and quality control throughout all project phases;
5. provide all data collected to the Park in a mutually agreed upon format;
6. abide by all NPS policies and guidelines when on park lands to perform work associated with this agreement;
7. keep adequate financial records to permit audit or review; and
8. acknowledge the NPS in any published or formally presented material developed or derived from this Cooperative Agreement.

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE INVOLVEMENT

Substantial involvement on the part of the National Park Service is anticipated for the successful completion of the objectives to be funded by this award. In particular, the National Park Service will be responsible for the following:

NPS will provide project oversight with Geologists providing quality control through field review, data analysis, GIS data creation with integration into the NPS's existing GIS layers. NPS geologists will prepare reports summarizing work as agreed and will present posters and papers at professional meetings and in journals documenting the cooperative efforts and accomplishments of the agreements in protecting park resources.

For projects on NPS lands, NPS geologists, biologists and maintenance crews will design, in whole or in part, the project specifications or have substantial involvement in the development of final specifications. This includes all planting plans, road upgrade and decommissioning designs, and erosion control measures. NPS would complete, in whole or in part, compliance for NEPA, ESA and NHPA. NPS would provide labor as necessary to work collaboratively with PCFWWRA as needed.

SINGLE-SOURCE JUSTIFICATION

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR SINGLE SOURCE POLICY REQUIREMENTS
Department of the Interior Policy (505 DM 2) requires a written justification which explains why competition is not practicable for each single-source award. The justification must address one or more of the following criteria as well as discussion of the program legislative history, unique capabilities of the proposed recipient, and cost-sharing contribution offered by the proposed recipient, as applicable.
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;

(2) Continuation – The activity to be funded is necessary to the satisfactory completion of, or is a continuation of an activity presently being funded, and 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, cost-sharing ability if applicable, technical expertise, or other such 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.

The National Park Service did not solicit full and open competition for this award based the following criteria:

(4) Unique Qualifications – The applicant is uniquely qualified to perform the activity based upon their experience in watershed rehabilitation, their cost, and their proactive work in bringing together landowners, projects and funding proposals to improve watershed conditions in Redwood Creek. They have a credible and respected reputation with private landowners and government agencies. Acceptance and trust by private landowners who must provide access to their lands is a key ingredient to successful watershed work on private lands. Landowners who are stakeholders in this project have built a relations hip with the applicant and National Park Service and have an interest in keeping this applicant working on watershed projects.