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	P18AS00335
Project Title	Digital Media Intern at Lake Roosevelt National Recreation Area
Recipient	Student Conservation Association
Anticipated Federal Funding	$25,410.37
Non-Federal Cost Share	0
Total Anticipated Award Amount	$25,410.37
Award Instrument	☑ Task Agreement ☐ Cooperative Agreement ☐ Grant Agreement
Anticipated Period of Performance	07/09/2018 - 06/28/2019
Legal Authority	54 U.S.C. §101702(a)
CFDA # and Title	15.931 Conservation Activities by Youth Service Organizations
Single Source Justification Criteria	
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Section 1. Project Summary

PROJECT GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

This task agreement will provide on 52 week SCA intern with meaningful work assignments and educational opportunities with the Interpretation and Education Division at Lake Roosevelt National Recreation Area (LARO). This project focuses on public outreach and information through interpretation and education programs, digital media at LARO, and by providing educational programs for school groups.

STATEMENT OF PUBLIC PURPOSE

This project will support the Government's objective to provide opportunities for youth to lean about the environment by spending time working on projects in National Parks. Through leadership development, career exploration, and goal setting, youth participating in this program acquire the skills necessary to be teachers, leaders, and public land managers helping to protect natural areas. This project motivates its youth participants to become involved in the natural and cultural resource protection of their communities and beyond.

This project will benefit the public by providing opportunities to experience and observe northeast Washington's unique flora and fauna with hands-on experiences through audience centered experience and formal ranger and educational programs. Websites and social media are important avenues of communication with the public about the park's natural and cultural resources even if people cannot get to the parks to experience it themselves. Results of the project are made available to the public through multiple venues, including rangers programs at the park as well as in the surrounding communities, websites, and publications. This increases the opportunities for public learning and understanding of LARO's natural and cultural history.

STATEMENT OF WORK SUMMARY

The Intern will work to educate the public through improved website messaging as well as creating new, educational videos about park safety messages and resources. They will also get the opportunity to interact directly with the public by providing formal interpretive experiences and educational programs for school groups. These interactions will increase opportunities for public learning and understanding the rich natural and cultural history of northeast Washington. NPS will also be providing a valuable internship experience for young individuals to take back to their communities.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE PARTIES

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

1. Collaboratively undertake the project “Digital Media Intern at Lake Roosevelt National Recreation Area” as described throughout this Task Agreement
2. Appoint Rebecca Donovan, Agreements Coordinator, as Key Official
3. Engage with recruitment, selection, and training as appropriate of intern to assist with interpretation and education projects
2. Ensure that all work activities are conducted in a safe manner and in accordance with accepted practice for such activities
3. Take steps to insure that all accidents involving personal injury (other than minor first aid), and property damage occurring within facilities or programs assigned under this Task Agreement are reported immediately to the NPS Key Official or his/her authorized representative
4. Provide $1100 (plus FICA) for transportation to and from Lake Roosevelt NRA
5. Provide subsistence ($160 per week) during the service period
6. Provide health insurance during the service period
7. Provide appropriate uniform items

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. Collaboratively undertake the project “Digital Media Intern at Lake Roosevelt National Recreation Area” as described throughout this Task Agreement
2. Provide financial assistance as described in Article VI.
3. Assign Keith Holliday as Agreement Technical Representative (ATR)
4. Provide general orientation to park operations, interpretation techniques, necessary job skills, and NPS mission;
5. Ensure that SCA intern is given proper orientation to the Park, logistical support, technical expertise, and resource education with a particular emphasis on interpretation and education, as well public communication;
6. Hold orientation meetings with SCA intern and NPS staff at the commencement of projects approved by SCA, for the purpose of explaining technical aspects, safety considerations, and other details necessary for successful completion of the project;
7. Provide housing for the intern;
8. Provide project oversight and individualized feedback to the intern regarding their performance of work assignments;
9. Inform SCA of conduct or performance problems with the intern so that SCA may counsel the interns to improve; and

☐ 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

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE
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;

(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. A single source on the basis of continuation must demonstrate that competition would result in a substantial duplicate cost to the government that cannot be recovered through competition;

(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;

(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: