Funding Opportunity Announcement

Multiple Installations in Northern Alaska

Funding Agency : US Army Corps of Engineers, Omaha District 1616 Capitol Ave Omaha, NE 68102	**Funding Instrument:** Cooperative Agreement **Funding Opportunity No:** NWO-CESU-17-30 **CFDA No:** 12.632 **Program Title: Legacy Resource Management Program**
Issue Date: 20170825	**Application Due Date:** 20170926

Overview:

SEA ICE LOSS TO POLAR BEARS FOR LRRS IN ALASKA

The overall goal of this project is to build a scientific understanding of how sea ice will influence changes in polar bear distributions and behaviors in relation to northerly located US Air Force installations in the state of Alaska. The majority of these locales function as communication centers or more specifically, "Long Range Radar Sites" (LRRS). The results of this research shall assist the Pacific Air Forces Regional Support Center (PRSC) with determining where increases in polar bear encounters may result due to projected sea ice changes. The NFE shall identify how polar bear distributions will alter due to sea ice changes and how such distributions and behavior shifts will or will not increase safety risks posed to installation staff working at the following locales: Cape Lisburn LRSS, Point Lay LRRS, Wainwright SRRS, Point Barrow LRRS, Lonely SRRS, Oliktok LRRS, Bullen Point SRRS, and Barter Island LRRS.

Some tasks may require support from a sub-NFE due to logistics and travel in northern Alaska. The NFE shall provide detailed sub-proposals.

POP: 18 months

Estimated Total Funding: $ 217,350.00	**Estimated Number of Awards: 1**

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Contact Information: Questions relating to Grants.gov including the registration process and system requirements should be directed to the Grants.gov Contact Center at 1-800-518-4726. For assistance with the requirements of this Funding Opportunity Announcement, please contact stephanie.a.rostermundt@usace.army.mil.

Instructions to Applicants:
The complete funding opportunity announcement, application forms, and instructions are available for download at Grants.gov.

Applications in response to this Funding Opportunity Announcement shall be submitted by the application due date. Applications may be submitted by mail, email, or via the internet through Grants.gov.

Applicants shall have a Dun and Bradstreet Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) number, register with the Central Contract Registry (CCR), and if submitting application via the internet, register with Grants.gov.

See Section IV of the Funding Opportunity Announcement for complete application submission information.

Section I: Funding Opportunity Description

SEA ICE LOSS TO POLAR BEARS FOR LRRS IN ALASKA

Section II: Award Information

Cooperative Agreement; $217,350.00 Budget; 1 award; 18 month Period of Performance

Section III: Eligibility Information

Eligible Applicants – ONLY MEMBERS OF THE CESU PACIFIC NORTHWEST (http://www.cesu.psu.edu/unit_portals/DESO_portal.htm).

1. Cost Sharing – 100% USACE Funded

2. Other – n/a

Section IV: Application and Submission Information

1. Address to Request Application Package
   The complete funding opportunity announcement, application forms, and instructions are available for download at Grants.gov. USACE is not responsible for any loss of internet connectivity or for an applicant's inability to access documents posted at the referenced website.

   The administrative point of contact is Stephanie Rostermundt, 402-995-2083, Stephanie.A.Rostermundt@usace.army.mil

2. Content and Form of Application Submission
   All mandatory forms and any applicable optional forms must be completed in accordance with the instructions on the forms and the additional instructions below.
   a. SF 424 - Application for Federal Assistance
   b. SF 424 A – Budget Information for Non-Construction Programs
   c. SF 424 B – Assurances – Non-Construction Programs
   d. Program Narrative – Brief program description illustrating applicant's ability to meet the goals and objectives described in Section I of the announcement.

      Cooperative Agreement Requirements:
      a. SF-PPR quarterly
      b. SF-425 quarterly and final.
      c. All other required submissions per 2 CFR 200/DoDGARS

3. Application shall be submitted NO LATER THAN 21 SEPTEMBER 2017

4. Submission Instructions
   Applications may be submitted e-mail and the internet.

   a. E-mail:
      Format all documents to print on Letter (8 ½ x 11") paper. E-mail proposal to Stephanie.A.Rostermundt@usace.army.mil

   b. Internet:
      Applicants are required to submit proposals through Grants.gov. Applicants are responsible for ensuring that their Grants.gov proposal submission is received in its entirety. The Government bears no responsibility for data errors resulting from transmission of conversion processes

associated with electronic submissions. The Government will bear no responsibility for delays in submissions due to technical difficulties at or with the Grants.gov website.

All applicants using Grants.gov to submit proposals must be registered and have and account with Grants.gov. It may take up to three weeks to complete Grants.gov registration. For more information on registration, go to http://www.grants.gov/ForApplicants.

Section V: Application Review Information

1. Criteria
   The following criteria shall serve as the standard against which any response to this announcement will be evaluated.
   a. Initial Review
      The Government will perform an initial review to determine that the applicant is (1) eligible in accordance with Section III of the announcement; (2) all information required by Section IV has been submitted; and (3) all mandatory requirements are satisfied.

   b. Merit Review
      Technical Approach

   c. Budget Review
      Meets budget

2. Review and Selection Process
   See above

3. Anticipated Award Date
   Estimated Award Date: 20170925

Section VI: Award Administration Information

1. Award Notices
   Written notice of award will be given in conjunction with issuance of a cooperative agreement signed by a Grants Officer. The cooperative agreement will contain the effective date of the agreement, the period of performance, funding information, and all terms and conditions. The recipient is required to sign and return the document before work under the agreement commences. **Work described in this announcement SHALL NOT begin without prior authorization from a Grants Officer.**

2. Administrative Requirements
   The cooperative agreement issued as a result of this announcement is pursuant to the administrative requirements in

3. Reporting
   Omaha District POC listed below

Section VII: Agency Contact

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Section VIII: Other Information

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