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**BOR-MP-18-N009** [\[Modify Details\]](#)  
Technical Assistance and Trinity Management Council (TMC) Support  
Department of the Interior  
Bureau of Reclamation

Opportunity Category: Discretionary  
CFDA Number(s): 15.532  
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| Funding Opportunity Title:            | Technical Assistance and Trinity Management Council (TMC) Support                            | Last Updated Date:               | Aug 01, 2018 |
| Opportunity Category:                 | Discretionary                                                                                | Close Date:                      | Aug 11, 2018 |
| Opportunity Category Explanation:     |                                                                                              | Close Date Explanation:          |              |
| Funding Instrument Type:              | Cooperative Agreement                                                                        | Archive Date:                    | Sep 10, 2018 |
| Category of Funding Activity:         | Natural Resources                                                                            | Estimated Total Program Funding: | \$749,396    |
| Category Explanation:                 |                                                                                              | Award Ceiling:                   | \$1          |
| Expected Number of Awards:            | 1                                                                                            | Award Floor:                     | \$0          |
| CFDA Number(s):                       | 15.532 -- Central Valley, Trinity River Division, Trinity River Fish and Wildlife Management |                                  |              |
| Cost Sharing or Matching Requirement: | No                                                                                           |                                  |              |

Eligibility:

**Eligible Applicants:** Nonprofits having a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education

**Additional Information on Eligibility:** Nonprofits that do not have a 501(c)(3) status with the IRS, other than institutions of higher education, Special district governments, State Governments, small business,

Additional Information:

**Agency Name:** Bureau of Reclamation

**Description:** The Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) intends to issue a Grant Agreement to *Department of Water Resources* under the authority of Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) 15.532, Central Valley Project Improvement Act, Public Law 102-575, Section 3406(b)(1) and 3407(e). Estimated total amount of agreement is \$749,396.40 with Reclamation providing \$149,879.28 in Fiscal Year 2018. The purpose of this project is to design services and monitoring for the channel rehabilitation sites identified in the Final Environmental Impact Statement/Report (FEIS/EIR). This agreement is a fundamental instrument for providing the Trinity River Restoration Program (TRRP) with required rehabilitation site designs to meet implementation schedules.  
  
(Refer to the **Notice of Intent to Award Announcement No. BOR-MP-18-N009** for additional information)  
  
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# RECLAMATION

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U.S. Department of the Interior  
Bureau of Reclamation

## NOTICE OF INTENT TO AWARD

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

| ABSTRACT                                          |                                                                                                       |
|---------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Funding Announcement</b>                       | BOR-MP-18-N009                                                                                        |
| <b>Project Title</b>                              | Technical Assistance and Trinity Management Council (TMC) Support                                     |
| <b>Recipient</b>                                  | Department of Water Resources                                                                         |
| <b>Principal Investigator / Program Manager</b>   | Seth Lawrence, Senior Engineer                                                                        |
| <b>Anticipated Federal Amount</b>                 | Total Funding: \$667,450.59/Obligating \$299,758.56 FY2018                                            |
| <b>Anticipated Non-Federal Amount</b>             | \$0.00                                                                                                |
| <b>New Award or Continuation?</b>                 | New Award                                                                                             |
| <b>Anticipated Period of Performance</b>          | Date of Execution through September 30, 2022                                                          |
| <b>Award Instrument</b>                           | Cooperative Agreement                                                                                 |
| <b>Statutory Authority</b>                        | Central Valley Project Improvement Act, Title 34, Public Law 102-575, Section 3406(b)(1) and 3407(e). |
| <b>CFDA # and Title</b>                           | 15.532 Central Valley, Trinity River Division, Trinity River Fish and Wildlife Management             |
| <b>Single Source Justification Criteria Cited</b> | (4) UNIQUE QUALIFICATIONS                                                                             |
| <b>Reclamation Point of Contact</b>               | Deanna Jackson, dljackson@usbr.gov                                                                    |

## OVERVIEW

### RECIPIENT INVOLVEMENT

The Recipient under this agreement is responsible for Performance of services in accordance with the Scope of Work presented in Section 6.

#### Objective 1A - Participate in Site Visits and Design Meetings

The Recipient will participate in site visits and design meetings with the TRRP and program partners during the development of conceptual designs. Participation during these early meetings is required to ensure that appropriate design criteria and constraints are identified prior to detailed design activities.

#### Objective 1B - TMC Meeting Attendance

Attend regularly scheduled TMC meetings and provide technical and policy advice through the TMC's designated representative. Primary Members, Alternates, and/or Technical Representatives (3 maximum): Four 2-day quarterly meetings per year, plus one special 2-day called session.

#### Objective 2A - Develop Detailed Engineering Designs

The Recipient will prepare detailed civil engineering designs for channel rehabilitation project sites annually. Project site selection and design criteria are determined based on input from multi-organizational TRRP Design Team. Work will include strategic planning, ground surveys, digital terrain model development, hydraulic modeling, quantity and cost calculations, participation in value engineering (VE) studies, and detailed design report documentation to support development of channel rehabilitation design packages at three milestones: 1) conceptual (~30%); 2) draft final (~80%), and 3) final (100%). The site specific design shall also include a design report, design drawings, and a Trinity County floodplain certification letter that have all been signed by a California registered professional engineer. All final design and supporting documents in digital and hard copy shall be delivered to the TRRP upon completion. (See TRRP data management plan).

#### Objective 2B - Technical Work Group Meeting Attendance

Attend technical team meetings annually for purposes of coordinating with TRRP staff and other program partners. Technical Representative: Shall attend sixteen meetings per year (quarterly meetings of four work groups; can be attended by the same person or divided among several individuals depending upon the resource discipline).

#### Objective 3A - Surveying

The Recipient will provide surveying support for sites designated for rehabilitation activities and various monitoring activities associated with completed channel rehabilitation sites and coarse sediment augmentation. Surveying duties include, but are not limited to, pre-project topographic surveys, establishment of survey control monuments at designated rehabilitation sites, high-water mark placement and survey, and survey of infrastructure potentially impacted by high fishery flows. Other survey requirements shall include bathymetric surveys for gravel injection locations, tributary delta surveys, and Quality Assurance/Quality Control data in support of bathymetry being prepared by other contracts and agreements.

### Objective 3B - Meeting Preparation, Follow-up, And Coordination

Prepare for and/or follow-up on assignments made at regularly scheduled and/or special called TMC meetings and technical work group meetings. Primary Members, Alternates, and/or Technical Representatives (3 maximum): Up to 20 days of coordination/preparation time.

### Objective 4 - Participate in VE Study

The TRRP is required to conduct a VE study for all construction projects estimated at \$1,000,000 or higher. The purpose of the study is to analyze the engineering and construction aspects of the project to improve performance, reliability, quality, safety, and potentially reduce costs without compromising the goals of the project. It is a facilitated effort using 5-7 people in a creative, problem-solving environment. The Recipient will provide one individual, knowledgeable in the subject matter but not necessarily the individual project, to participate in the study.

The Recipient will be responsible for collecting and utilizing field data, coordinating with the TRRP and stakeholders in the development of conceptual and preliminary rehabilitation site designs, and preparing final engineering designs. Various surveying and computer modeling activities are associated with the design process and for the monitoring of completed sites are also included.

## **RECLAMATION INVOLVEMENT**

Reclamation is expected by the Trinity River Restoration Program (TRRP) to coordinate with the Recipient in achieving the objectives of the agreement. Close coordination will take place during the development of conceptual designs, with the TRRP and the Recipient jointly assessing site potentials and constraints ultimately leading to a proposed action and viable alternatives. As designs are initiated, the TRRP will begin realty discussions with landowners. Information obtained must be integrated into the Recipient's designs in a manner that maintains the project objectives, keeps costs within established budgets, and maintains schedules. Reclamation (through the TRRP) will coordinate with private and non-private landowners for access to rehabilitation sites, with the environmental compliance contractor, and with program partners for the development of design concepts and design criteria. Reclamation will also maintain a collaborative relationship with the Recipient in the development and review of final design drawings, survey locations, and identification of future funding needs.

## **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.

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

#### **(4) UNIQUE QUALIFICATIONS**

##### **Single Source Justification Description:**

The partnership of state and federal resources benefits the public by leveraging state and Federal expertise, staff and resources to implement the restoration of fish and wildlife resources in the Trinity River basin to benefit the public by supporting commercial, Tribal, and recreational fisheries. The State of California Resource Agency, Department of Water Resources serves the United States of American public living in California by providing hydrologic survey and modeling expertise that leads to restoration designs that protect the health and welfare of citizens living in the Trinity River basin. Participation of the DWR reduces costs to the public by utilizing existing state staff and existing state monitoring efforts that support of the TRRP's goal to mitigate for the effects of the CVPIA-Trinity River Division. Coordination of DWR and TRRP to develop monitoring and assessment activities and rehabilitation project designs is mutually beneficial because it eliminates duplication of effort.

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## STATUTORY AUTHORITY

### **Central Valley Project Improvement Act, Title 34, Public Law 102- 575, Section 3406(b)(1) and 3407(e)**

#### Section 3406(b)(1)

(b) Fish and Wildlife Restoration Activities - The Secretary, immediately upon the enactment of this title, shall operate the Central Valley Project to meet all obligations under state and federal law, including but not limited to the federal Endangered Species Act, 16 U.S.C. s 1531, et seq., and all decisions of the California State Water Resources Control Board establishing conditions on applicable licenses and permits for the project. The Secretary, in consultation with other State and Federal agencies, Indian tribes, and affected interests, is further authorized and directed to:

(1) Develop within three years of enactment and implement a program which makes all reasonable efforts to ensure that, by the year 2002, natural production of anadromous fish in Central Valley rivers and streams will be sustainable, on a long-term basis, at levels not less than twice the average levels attained during the period of 1967-1991; Provided, That this goal shall not apply to the San Joaquin River between Friant Dam and the Mendota Pool, for which a separate program is authorized under subsection 3406( c) of this title; Provided further, That the programs and activities authorized by this section shall, when fully implemented, be deemed to meet the mitigation protection, restoration, and enhancement purposes established by subsection 3406(a) of this title; And provided further, That in the course of developing and implementing this program the Secretary shall make all reasonable efforts consistent with the requirements of this section to address other identified adverse environmental impacts of the Central Valley Project not specifically enumerated in this section.

#### Section 3407 (e)

(e) Funding to Non-Federal Entities - If the Secretary determines that the State of California or an agency or subdivision thereof, an Indian tribe, or a nonprofit entity concerned with restoration, protection, or enhancement of fish, wildlife, habitat, or environmental values is able to assist in implementing any action authorized by this title in an efficient, timely, and cost effective manner, the Secretary is authorized to provide funding to such entity on such terms and conditions as he deems necessary to assist in implementing the identified action.