

Statement of Work
**Management of Undesirable Plants on Federal Lands in Atchison, Holt,
Andrew, Boone, Callaway, and St. Louis County, Missouri**

AUTHORITY:

Management of Undesirable Plants on Federal Lands

7 US Code 2814

Public Law 101-624

7 USC Chapter 61 Noxious Weeds 2814; Public Law 101-624, Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990

DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES:

Recipient will provide professional services to assist the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) with the Integrated Vegetation Management (IVM) of undesirable plants affecting federal lands and waters managed by the Natural Resource Management section associated with Missouri River Bank Stabilization and Navigation, Fish & Wildlife Mitigation Project, (collectively referred to as the Missouri River Mitigation Project) in Atchison, Holt, Andrew, Boone, Callaway, and St. Louis County, Missouri. 7 USC 2814 States that the recipient of this funding assistance must be a State agency, or political subdivision thereof, responsible for the administration and implementation of undesirable plants laws of the State.

1. Coordination

Interagency coordination through participation and leadership in utilizing an integrated management system for the containment and control of undesirable plants from a Missouri River BSNP Mitigation Project perspective. Manage and coordinate the actions of this Agreement with levee boards, adjacent land owners, USACE, Missouri River Project Office other political subdivisions of the State. Specifically, in the Missouri River Region, the recipient will coordinate to the maximum extent possible, on Missouri River Mitigation Sites.

2. Planning

Assist in the development of a USACE-approved annual management plan, identifying target species for inventory and management, prioritizing treatment based on site location and level of infestation. Provide consultation to USACE on regional Best Management Practices including Early Detection and Rapid Response (EDRR) targets, quarantine initiatives, biological control releases and new designations or shifts in State-listed species.

3. Surveying

Assist with the inventory, survey, monitoring, and/or mapping of exotic, noxious, invasive, or undesirable native vegetation potentially affecting Missouri River Mitigation Project lands and waters. Maps, location descriptions, data and/or GIS information will be provided to USACE Project Natural Resource Section that will aid in the management of areas under Project management.

4. Implementation

Assist in the implementation of the appropriate integrated treatment method as prescribed or approved by USACE biologists, natural resource specialists, or natural resource managers and coordinated with the Grants Officer (GO). Implementation will be aligned with the Missouri River Mitigation Project operational plans. Treatments may employ prevention, mechanical, cultural, biocontrol or herbicide application. Specific targets are identified in the annual management plan.

5. Reporting

If chemical methods are planned during the Period of Performance, an "Anticipated Pesticide Use" report will be submitted by the recipient to the USACE Project Natural Resource Management Section, prior to implementation. An "Actual Pesticide Use" report will then be submitted by the recipient by 30 September, outlining what actions were completed of each year. Templates will be provided by USACE to ensure the required data outlined in the relevant project plans and EPA pesticide regulations are included.

FUNDING AND SCHEDULE BREAKDOWN:

Period of Performance of this Cooperative Agreement is a one-year period with four (4) one-year option periods. The base period will be in effect 12 months from the date the award is signed, followed by four (4) one-year option periods. At any time prior to the completion of a performance period, the parties may agree to bilaterally exercise a one-year option period extending the cooperative agreement performance period by one year, so long as the funds remain available for continued performance.

An initial meeting between the recipient and USACE will occur within four (4) weeks of the execution of this Agreement. A schedule will be coordinated at that time. Additional ad hoc services within the scope of this Agreement may be requested throughout the Period of Performance as needs arise and if funding is available.