



**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	P14AS00141
Project Title	Latin American Park Mangers take Protected Areas Course at CSU
Recipient	Colorado State University For Collins
Principle Investigator / Program Manager	Jim Barborak
Total Anticipated Award Amount	30,000.00
Cost Share	none
New Award or Continuation?	Continuation of Cooperative Agreement H2370094000
Anticipated Length of Agreement	From Date of award to 12/31/2014
Anticipated Period of Performance	From Date of award to 12/31/2014
Award Instrument	Cooperative Agreement
Statutory Authority	16 USC 1(g); 16 USC 1a-2(j); 15 USC 5933
CFDA # and Title	15.945 Cooperative Research & Training Programs Resources of the NPS CESU's
Single Source Justification Criteria Cited	(2) Continuation
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OVERVIEW

RM-CESU Cooperative Agreement Number **H2370094000** was entered into by and between the Department of the Interior, National Park Service (NPS), and Colorado State University (CSU) for the purpose of providing technical assistance in the management of World Heritage sites and other protected areas to international partners of the NPS. Unless otherwise specified herein, the terms and conditions as stated in the Cooperative Agreement will apply to this Task Agreement.

RECIPIENT INVOLVEMENT

- 1) Organize and carry out the annual protected areas managers course in Fort Collins
- 2) This year's course will begin on July 9, 2014, and CSU agrees to cover the following expenses for two Chilean park managers and one Colombian park manager to attend the course in Fort Collins:
 - Transportation from Denver airport to CSU roundtrip
 - Lodging and per diem during course
 - Outfitter fees for field trips
 - Equipment and supplies needed for field trips
 - Transportation during course (van, shuttle service, pack animal, raft)
 - All basic equipment needed for field trips
 - Instruction materials (handouts, jump drive with all course materials)
 - Health insurance in USA
 - All CSU instructional, conference service and processing fees
- 3) CSU will prepare a final report of the course provided to the NPS-Office of International Affairs (OIA) and the RM-CESU submitted by September 30, 2014.

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE INVOLVEMENT

Substantial involvement on the part 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:

- 1) Identify and recruit one Colombian and two Chilean participants for the CSU Course on Protected Areas Management;
- 2) Communicate with partner agencies in these countries to receive feedback from participants after course in order to develop follow-on cooperative activities.

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:

(2) CONTINUATION

SINGLE SOURCE JUSTIFICATION DESCRIPTION:

THIS IS A NOTICE OF INTENT TO AWARD

This is a Task Agreement (P14AC00975) under Cooperative Agreement (H2370094000) in the amount of \$30,000.00 with a period of performance from date of award until 12/31/2014.

"This proposed project between Colorado State University and NPS is authorized to go through the Rocky Mountains CESU at the negotiated overhead rate of 17.5% because it passes the test of substantial involvement by the NPS, public purpose and consistency with the mission of the CESU Network".

Also, on the SF 424 forms that the partner sponsored programs office fills out for each project, requires a CFDA number - 15.945, which is the number associated with the CFDA Title:

COOPERATIVE RESEARCH AND TRAINING PROGRAMS - RESOURCES OF THE NATIONAL PARK SERVICE (CESU).

STATUTORY AUTHORITY

- A. 16 U.S.C. §1g authorizes the NPS to enter into cooperative agreements that involve the transfer of NPS appropriated funds to state, local and tribal governments, other public entities, educational institutions, and private nonprofit organizations for the public purpose of carrying out National Park Service programs.
- B. 16 U.S.C. §1a-2(j) Cooperative research and training programs. Authorizes the NPS to enter into cooperative agreements with public or private educational institutions, states, and their political subdivisions, for the purpose of developing adequate, coordinated, cooperative research and training programs concerning the resources of the national park system. Pursuant to such agreements, the cooperator may accept from or make available to the NPS technical and support staff, financial assistance for mutually agreed upon research projects, supplies and equipment, facilities, and administrative services relating to cooperative research units as the Secretary deems appropriate (research projects subject to Federal Acquisition Regulation excluded).
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- C. 16 U.S.C. §5933 Cooperative agreements. The Secretary is authorized and directed to enter into cooperative agreements with colleges and universities, including but not limited to land grant schools, in partnership with other Federal and State agencies, to establish cooperative study units to conduct multi-disciplinary research and develop integrated information products on the resources of the National Park System, or the larger region of which parks are a part.