

NOTICE OF INTENT TO AWARD

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

OPPORTUNITY NUMBER	BOR-DO-20-N003
PROJECT TITLE	AMTA/Reclamation Fellowships
RECIPIENT	American Membrane Technology Association (AMTA)
ANTICIPATED FEDERAL AMOUNT	\$260,000.00
STATUTORY AUTHORITY	Omnibus Public Lands Management Act of 2009, Public Law 111-11, Section 9509 Research Agreement Authority
CFDA NUMBER	15.560 Secure Water Act Research Agreements
RECLAMATION POINT OF CONTACT	Ned Weakland eweakland@usbr.gov
SUMMARY OF PROJECT ACTIVITIES	Reclamation and AMTA are partnering to utilize AMTA's existing frame work to award and administer fellowships for graduate students conducting research in innovations for water treatment membrane-related research. Tasks include the development of the request for application, application solicitation, application review and evaluation, fellowship selection and administration.
SELECTION JUSTIFICATION	Reclamation did not solicit full and open competition for this award based on the following criteria: Unique Qualifications AMTA is a well-known and recognized association in the United States that focuses on membrane technology which is a huge area in the advancements of water treatment. Most of the technology being used today for desalination and some wastewater treatment is membrane-based technology. AMTA is the leading association in the United States in the area of membrane research and membrane technology. AMTA already has an established fellowship program where they fund undergraduate and graduate students to aid the research of membrane technology and advancements made in this area of study.