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-MP-19-N022
PROJECT TITLE	Decontamination Units to Prevent Further Dreissenid Mussels Introduction and Spread in California
RECIPIENT	California Department of Fish & Wildlife (CDFW)
ANTICIPATED FEDERAL AMOUNT	$128,000.00 / FY19: $128,000.00
STATUTORY AUTHORITY	Public Law 85-624, 16 U.S.C. 661 et seq., as amended, and Section 7(a) of the Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act (FWCA) (70 Stat 1122; 16 U.S.C. 742f(a)), as limited and delegated by the Secretary of the Interior delegation of authority to the Bureau of Reclamation at 255 DM 1.1B and RM 526 Section 6 F. (2) Fish and Wildlife, Section (a).
CFDA NUMBER	15.517
RECLAMATION POINT OF CONTACT	Melanie Lowe
SUMMARY OF PROJECT ACTIVITIES	This project will accomplish the following objectives: 1. contain mussels within currently infested waters 2. eradicate mussels from infested waters 3. prevent further introduction of dreissenid mussels into the State of California
SELECTION JUSTIFICATION	The California Department of Fish & Wildlife (CDFW) is uniquely qualified to carry out these particular objectives of the Decontamination Units to Prevent Further Dreissenid Mussels Introduction and Spread in California. CDFW has been operating a multi-faceted Quagga/Zebra Mussel Project within their Invasive Species Program (ISP); this project mitigates future overland watercraft introductions of both adult and veliger dreissenid mussels. In this program they partner with other state, federal, local, and non-government organizations to intercept, inspect, and decontaminate conveyances (primarily trailered watercraft) carrying dreissenid mussels. CDFW has six dedicated regional scientists with specific experience coordinating stakeholder efforts. Their experience through the years of operation, provides them unique knowledge of state-wide issues and allows them to respond quickly and appropriately to provide efficient responses.

AUTHORIZATION OF NOTICE OF INTENT TO AWARD

SIGNATURES

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