



**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	P14AS00340
Project Title	Partnering for Preservation Technology
Recipient	Northwestern State University in Louisiana
Principle Investigator / Program Manager	Randall Webb
Total Anticipated Award Amount	\$466,229.25
Cost Share	None
New Award or Continuation?	Continuation of Cooperative Agreement H2210100307
Anticipated Length of Agreement	From date of award until 12/31/2015
Anticipated Period of Performance	From date of award until 12/31/2015
Award Instrument	Cooperative Agreement
Statutory Authority	16 USC 1(g)
CFDA # and Title	15.923 National Center for Preservation Technology & Training 1997(B)
Single Source Justification Criteria Cited	(2) continuation
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OVERVIEW

Cooperative Agreement Number H2210100307 was entered into by and between the Department of the Interior, National Park Service, (NPS), and Northwestern State University for the purpose of carrying out, in part, the directives of Congress enumerated in Section 403(b) & (c) of the National Historic Preservation Act (16 U.S.C. 470). Unless otherwise specified herein, the terms and conditions as stated in the Cooperative Agreement will apply to this Task Agreement.

The purpose of this Agreement is to facilitate the work of the National Center for Preservation Technology and Training

RECIPIENT INVOLVEMENT

1. NSU is to provide staff support to NCPTT in order to carry out undertakings of joint interest in furtherance of the goals of the cooperative agreement and in compliance with Title IV of the National Historic Preservation Act.
2. Reimbursement on an actual cost basis is provided for travel undertaken by NSU staff supporting NCPTT in accordance with the attached budget.
3. Reimbursement on an actual cost basis is provided to NSU for custodial, exterminating, and other needed building maintenance services at Lee Nelson Hall, the office building for NCPTT in accordance with the attached budget.
4. NSU is to provide partial (50%) funding for a joint faculty position. This position is a fully benefited non-classified, 12-month term faculty position at NSU.

The incumbent is to work full-time at NCPTT during the summer months. Upon start of the fall semester, the incumbent will spend 9 credit hours teaching at NSU and two eight-hour days a week at NCPTT. In the spring semester, the incumbent will spend 6 credit hours teaching at NSU and three nine-hour days a week at NCPTT. The incumbent will be allowed to work an other-than-standard schedule approved by NCPTT, corresponding to his/her NCPTT supervisor's schedule, in summer months and spring semester.

In the event of a vacancy, NSU and NCPTT will mutually choose the candidate for the position following state and federal guidelines.

The incumbent is to develop or continue a research project under the direction of NCPTT's Executive Director, or a NCPTT program manager. The topic is to be determined by mutual agreement between NCPTT's Executive Director and relevant NSU Department Head. The project will have duration of 12 months.

The incumbent is to perform other NCPTT administrative tasks as assigned.

The incumbent is to teach within the undergraduate or graduate programs at NSU. The incumbent is to develop or present a series of lectures based on NSU course requirements. Tasks include presentation of lectures, regular attendance at scheduled classes and laboratory sessions; review of course materials, routine assessment of student performance, and assignment of mid-term and final grades.

The incumbent is to schedule regular office hours to meet with students or discuss research activities. Within the office hours the incumbent may be required to tutor students on assigned course work, answer questions regarding his/her area of expertise, or related topics, and provide career guidance.

5. NSU is to provide research assistant internships for summer, fall or spring semester from their wages-of-labor hiring system.
6. NSU is to provide on actual cost basis assistance and support in disseminating research results and other NCPTT-related projects. NSU will design, edit, prepare, print or distribute both general and technical publications subject to approval by NCPTT.
7. NSU is to provide logistical support for the NCPTT Training Institute, including providing instructors or contracting for their professional services, collecting student fees, and providing short-term housing in NSU dormitories (pending availability).
8. NSU is to provide NCPTT with on campus storage for some items that cannot be easily stored in NCPTT's headquarters, Lee Nelson Hall.

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. NPS is to reimburse NSU on an actual-cost basis for staff support to NCPTT in order to carry out undertakings of joint interest in furtherance of the goals of the cooperative agreement and in compliance with Title IV of the National Historic Preservation Act, as specified in Article IIA1 and in accordance with the attached budget.
2. Reimbursement on an actual cost basis is to be provided for travel undertaken by NSU staff supporting NCPTT, as specified in Article IIA2 in accordance with the attached budget.
3. Reimbursement on an actual cost basis is to be provided to NSU for custodial, exterminating, and other needed building maintenance services at Lee Nelson Hall, the office building for NCPTT, as specified in Article IIA3 and in accordance with the attached budget.

4. NPS is to provide partial (50%) funding for a joint faculty position to undertake joint projects and teaching activities for 12 months, as specified in Article IIA4 and in accordance with the attached budget.
5. NPS is to provide full funding (100%) for research assistant student internships to undertake projects at NCPTT during the summer, fall, and/or spring sessions in accordance with the attached budget. The interns will be undergraduate or graduate students interested in developing preservation-related skills, as provided by NSU in Article IIA5.

NCPTT is to choose candidates for the internship positions from applicants following state and federal guidelines.

The interns are to perform other NCPTT administrative tasks as assigned.

6. NPS is to provide reimbursement on an actual cost basis for NSU's assistance and support in disseminating research results and other NCPTT-related projects in accordance with the attached budget. NSU is to design, edit, prepare, print or distribute both general and technical publications subject to approval by NCPTT, as specified in Article IIA6.
7. NCPTT is to offer a Training Institute on the campus of Northwestern State University and other sites that will allow professionals to earn continuing education units (when applicable), while also reaching out to faculty across the nation, and to top students in historic preservation, including the disciplines in which NCPTT works: historic architecture, historic landscapes, materials conservation and archeology.

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 (P14AC01658) under Cooperative Agreement (H2210100307) in the amount of \$466,229.25 with a period of performance from date of award until 12/31/2015.

STATUTORY AUTHORITY

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.

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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