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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL ADDENDUM 1: RESPONSES TO REQUESTS FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

MARTIS WILDLIFE AREA RESTORATION PROJECT: CULTURAL AND BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES CONSTRUCTION MONITORING SERVICES

The Truckee River Watershed Council received the following questions by 5pm on March 6, 2019. TRWC's responses are below.

1. **Will there be Native American site monitors on the project? Who is responsible for training/scheduling/consultation?**
There may be Native American Site Monitors on the project. TRWC will be responsible for management of Site Monitors if present.
2. **Who determines when and where Native American monitors are needed?**
The Cultural Monitoring and Unanticipated Discovery Plan shall include recommendations of when and where Site Monitors are needed. This plan shall be reviewed and approved by TRWC and the USACE.
3. **Based on the RFP it is understood that a maximum of 4 days of archaeological monitoring is requested, one for each eligible site. The Neg Dec document mentions consultation, would this also require site visits and construction monitoring?**
The construction monitoring scope includes the demarcating of all archaeological sites within or adjacent the project area. In addition to that work, the Contractor shall complete up to four site visits on an as-needed basis.
4. **Can you confirm that no monitoring of cultural resources outside of the specified four site visits for consultation are part of this contract?**
See #3 above.
5. **Can you confirm that all recorded cultural resources will be avoided and that no additional testing for significance will be required**
Reference the Mitigated Negative Declaration for a discussion of recorded cultural resources within or adjacent the project area.

If a potential cultural resource is discovered during construction, the archaeologist shall evaluate the find and determine if eligible for the National Register of Historic Places or California Register of Historic Places.

6. **Does USACE require a submittal or final archaeological monitoring report after monitoring activities are completed?**
No.

7. How long is the WEAP training anticipated to be? We estimate 1 hour for all contractors at the start of the project. Is this a correct assumption? The RFP lists on going WEAP training, we estimate this to be a couple of hours per month at most, is this a correct assumption? Should we anticipate more WEAP training?

The WEAP training shall take the time necessary to instruct construction personnel on the topics required by the project's Mitigated Negative Declaration. Reference Mitigation Measures CUL.3 and BIO.9 for more information.

WEAP trainings will take place as required if additional construction personnel join the project.

8. We'd like to clarify the diversion and dewatering plans for Site 1 (Mainstem Martis). Sheet 2.1 identifies the following treatment types: 2-gravel bag cofferdam, and 3-stream diversion. There are 9 locations (1-L3, 1-R1, 1-R3, 1-R5, 3-L6, 3-R5, 4-L2, 5-R2, and 6-R1) with treatment type 2 recommended; is it anticipated that these cofferdams will begin at the water level, or will the cofferdams be placed into the channel creating a situation that could require fish rescue/relocation? For the two locations (4-L1, 5-R3) that stream diversion (treatment type 3) is recommended, the location of the cofferdams and diversion is not shown on the plan set. What are the approximate lengths of channel to be dewatered in those locations?

Treatment Type 2 will be placed in the channel parallel to the direction of stream flow to an elevation equal bankfull stage- this may require the removal of fish or aquatic organisms and is included in the scope of the RFP.

Treatment Type 3 locations and details are to be agreed upon by the Construction Contractor and the Engineer's Representative as such the details requested are not available.

9. The RFP requests that we conduct 'field assessment for willow flycatcher,' which would generally be used to determine the need for protocol surveys. However, the next sentence references a nest buffer which implies an expectation for the broadcast survey protocol described in Bombay et al 2000. Can you confirm whether the scope requests a field assessment or protocol surveys for this species?

The RFP includes CDFW specified protocol surveys (i.e. Bombay et al. 2000) for willow flycatcher to determine presence/absence of willow flycatcher in the project area.

10. The RFP directs that surveys for *Plumas ivesia* be conducted no more than 2 weeks prior to construction. However, depending on the timing of construction, the species may not be identifiable at that time. We suggest that the approach be to conduct surveys for the species when it is identifiable based on a check of a local reference population. Is TRWC OK with us changing the approach in that way?

The Contractor may check local reference populations for phenological stage, but will still be required to survey the project area within two weeks of ground disturbance activities. TRWC will not be responsible for facilitating access to local reference populations.

11. The RFP states the TRWC invoices quarterly (March 31, June 30, Sept 30, and Dec 31). May the contractors invoice TRWC monthly according to our standard invoicing schedule?

The Contractor may invoice monthly. TRWC will pay quarterly based upon the schedule outlined in the RFP.

12. What are the acres and dimensions of the restoration sites?

The project area includes approximately 26 acres of disturbance. The project area is dispersed (see Attachments 1&2 to RFP) but roughly follow 1.6 miles of Martis Creek and its tributaries.