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LCT Fuels Restoration Project – Forest Health

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

ADDENDUM No. 1

Answers to questions received:

How was the fuels survey area chosen, and are there any anticipated changes to the project footprint?

The project area was chosen to protect critical spawning habitat for federally threatened Lahontan Cutthroat Trout. The area has been refined based on slope/landform and preliminary review of implementation feasibility. Further refinements from surveys will be considered.

Does the project contain PACs or other special land classifications?

There is a goshawk PAC that overlaps much of the project area

The project lies within Inventoried Roadless Area

The RFP reads that only technical reports supporting CEQA and NEPA (data collection, surveys, reports and proposed actions) are requested. Does TRWC anticipate that the selected firm will also assist in the preparation of NEPA and CEQA regulatory documents, or will this be done in-house by the USFS?

NEPA will be completed by USFS Tahoe National Forest

Will the forest's compliance with National Historic Preservation Act be covered under the Region 5 Programmatic Agreement?

Yes

How much of the project area has previous survey coverage if any?

None

How many known cultural/archaeological resources are in the project area?

6 heritage sites within project.

How much of the project area has previous silvicultural and/or fuels survey coverage if any?

The surrounding area is outside the Project Boundary and has not been surveyed.

Is there any past timber cruise data for the area?

No

Is there a harvest history map available for the project area and adjacent areas?

There is no historic harvest data for this area

No existing roads are visible on USGS topo maps or aerial imagery within the project area. Are there any USFS maps depicting existing or historic roads within the project area?

There are no roads within the project area.

Is there any documentation related to invasive species within or adjacent to the project area?

No, all biological surveys will be completed this summer.

Do you have a count on the total number of plots or the plot spacing?

1 plot every 10 acres, 29 total plots

How much of the project area has previous survey coverage if any?

None

When was the data collected and what is the format and fuel model?

N/A

Are fire modeling outputs expected? If so, does the scope require quantitative wildfire behavior modeling (e.g., flame length, rate of spread, crown fire potential), or is a qualitative assessment of fire behavior sufficient?

N/A

Should fire behavior be evaluated at the stand/unit level only, or is spatially explicit (GIS-based) landscape-scale modeling required?

N/A

For prescribed burning, are quantitative burn prescription parameters expected (e.g., acceptable flame lengths, weather windows), or only general treatment recommendations?

As part of silviculture report, alternate or follow up treatments should be recommended such as mastication, hand thin & pile, machine pile, underburning, etc.