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28 de octubre de 2019

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F19AF01088

**JUSTIFICACIÓN, LLAMADAO A SOLICITUD DE PROPUESTA PROYECTO FW
8.26 "BIRD POPULATION ASSESSMENT" AT THE BOQUERÓN WILDLIFE
REFUGE, CABO ROJO"**



El Refugio de Vida Silvestre Boquerón (RVSB) es el hogar de muchas especies nativas y migratorias en estado silvestre. Este lugar forma parte de los 2,000 acres del Bosque Estatal de Boquerón, ubicado en el suroeste de la isla de Puerto Rico, fue creado en la década de 1960 para compensar la pérdida de áreas naturales de aguas abiertas que proporcionaron hábitat a las aves acuáticas y peses de importancia recreativa.

El RVSB es considerado el principal coto de caza de aves acuáticas en Puerto Rico. Por lo tanto, *es vital estimar la población de aves acuáticas actual, describir su condición y hábitat.* De lo contrario, el recurso podría estar siendo conducido a la sobre-explotación. Sin embargo, debido a la falta de personal técnico nos vemos limitados en recopilar la data de campo para cuantificar las variables antes descritas. Para atender esta necesidad, estamos solicitando a la Junta de Subastas, propuestas de investigadores para desarrollar un monitoreo que nos ayude a documentar la condición actual de las aves acuáticas, incluyendo el análisis e interpretación de los resultados.

El proyecto tiene una duración de doce (12) meses, los fondos para financiar los trabajos aquí descritos se encuentran disponibles en el número de cifra F19AF01088, bajo el programa federal "Sport Fishing and Wildlife Restoration".

Para más detalles se puede comunicar con el que suscribe al número de teléfono (787) 999-2200, extensión 2815.

Anejos

- *Insurance:* The contractor must formalize public liability insurance with a first endorsement in favor of DNER and a second endorsement in favor of the Government of Puerto Rico, which must be delivered to the DNER before the contract is granted. The contractor will be responsible, in addition, for any damage related to the rendering of its services, and will keep it free of risks and relieves the DNER of responsibility for damage to equipment, persons, employees or their representatives, resulting from the execution of the services covered in the contract.

V. Format and Required Content of the proposal: the proposer must submit a proposal that includes at least the following elements:

- Cover letter detailing the field experience in scientific methods.
- The contractor must provide evidence of all authorizations (i.e. licenses and certifications) to operate its business in Puerto Rico.
- The proposal must be written on a computer, with a font size 12, Times New Roman and 1.5 spaced.

VI. Other requirements:

- Proponents must comply with all contracting requirements with the Government of Puerto Rico, in accordance with current and applicable law.
- The proponents that were selected are committed to comply with the provisions of Act No. 84 of June 18, 2002, through which it is established the Code of Ethics for Contractors, Suppliers and Incentive Applicants Economics of the Government Agencies of Puerto Rico.

NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS; BIRD POPULATION ASSESSMENT AT BOQUERÓN WILDLIFE REFUGE, CABO ROJO.

I. Introduction: the Boquerón Wildlife Refuge (BWR) is home to many unique species of wildlife. The BWR is was part of the 2,000-acre of Boquerón State Forest, and it is managed by the Department of Natural and Environmental Resources (DNER). The BWR is located at the southwestern corner of Puerto Rico Island, was created in the 1960's to compensate for the loss of natural open water areas that provided habitat to native and migratory waterfowl, and now serves the purpose of restoration, conservation, and enhancement of waterfowl and fishery resources. It is a 460-acre man-made water impoundment that discharges into the Rincón Lagoon bay, through a series of drainage canals and floodgates.

II. Justification: the BWR is considered the main waterfowl hunting ground in Puerto Rico. Which implies the management of the area for such purpose. Therefore it is vital to estimate the population of waterfowl and describe their condition. Otherwise the resource could be overexploited.

III. Approach: planning and design monthly monitoring (within a year) of the native and migratory aquatic bird population within the BWR basin to estimate species composition, abundance, and habitat preferences. For the purposes of this project bird census protocol will be *Distance Sampling Method* (Thomas et al., 1998). Environmental variables, such as salinity (ppt), dissolved oxygen (mg/l), and water levels should be monitored in-situ.

Reports: the contractor will be responsible for preparing a quarterly reports and one annual report. Quarterly report should include information about project progress and management recommendations. Results will be disseminated among hunters and user by short talk.

IV. Contractor Expectations

- *Task descriptions:* The contractor will be responsible to coordinate the scope of work with the refuge manager and stakeholders.

VII. Evaluation Criteria for Proposals:

CRITERIA	EVALUATED ITEMS	SCORE
Working Plan	Ability to perform the required works, a comprehensive work plan, including detailed itinerary.	40
Compliance	Regarding compliance with state regulations (license or certifications to practice your profession in Puerto Rico) and applicable federal detailed content	10
Experience	Previous experience	20
Budget justification	Offer Amount proposed	30

VIII. Important dates:

DATES	OBLIGATION
1 December, 2019	Proposal request announcement
15 December, 2019	Period of Questions and Answers
21 December, 2019	Final Date, Delivery of Proposals

IX. Delivery and Shipping Requirements:

- Proposals will not be accepted after the established delivery date (21 December, 2019). Please notify as soon as possible the intention to participate by writing an email addressed to: eortega@drna.pr.gov
- The proposal in original may be delivered by hand at Secretaría (floor #1) Building of Environmental Agencies Dr. Cruz A. Matos, Highway 8838, Km. 6.3, Sector El Cinco, San Juan. Also proposals will be accepted through mail electronic sent to: eortega@drna.pr.gov

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Para Uso de la Ofic. de Servicios Generales
Núm. de Requisición

Idelfonso Ruiz-Valentin

Nombre del Solicitante :
Enviar a: (Neg. u Ofic.)
Proveedor Sugerido:

Refugio de Vida Silvestre Iris L. Alameda, Boqueron

Teléfono:
Núm. Ofic.:
Fecha de Entrega Deseada:
Lo antes posible

28- octubre-2019
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LN	Núm. de Catálogo	Cantidad	Descripción del Artículo o Servicio	Costo por Unidad	Costo Total	Cuenta	Fondo	Organización	Prog.	Asig.	Año Pres.	Aport. Fed.
1		1	Llamado a propuestas: BIRD POPULATION ASSESSMENT AT THE BOQUERÓN WILDLIFE REFUGE, CABO ROJO Descripción de las tareas: 1. Monitoreo de aves acuáticas 2. Determinar la condición de las especies 3. Utilización de hábitat 4. Informes de progreso y final (redactados en idioma ingles)	\$26,000.00 <small>SMS</small>	\$26,000.00 <small>SMS</small>	272		130000	0500153	06E	2019	F19AF01088
TOTAL					\$26,000.00							
				Sub Total								



Justificación: Solicitud de propuestas "RFP" para documentar la condición de los aves acuáticas con atención en aves de cacería, Refugio de Vida Silvestre de Boqueron
Certifico que los materiales, equipo o servicios arriba relacionados son necesarios para llevar a cabo el trabajo que se nos ha encomendado y que se usarán en el desempeño de las labores de la unidad para la cual se solicitan.

N.B.
Sra. Dairien Lopez Ocasio
Directora ANPSF

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In Reply Refer To:
FWS/R4/WSFR/F19AF01088

Honorable Tania Vázquez Rivera, Secretary
Puerto Rico Department of Natural and
Environmental Resources
P. O. Box 366147
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Subject: Notice of Grant Award for PR-FW-F19AF01088

Dear Secretary ~~Vázquez Rivera~~: *Tania*

Your organization's application for Federal financial assistance titled "*Wildlife and Habitat Management at Boqueron Wildlife Refuge (FW-8-26)*" submitted to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) CFDA Programs 15.605 and 15.611 is approved, effective July 30, 2019. This award is made under the authorities of the Dingell-Johnson Sport Fish Restoration Act of 1950, 64 Stat. 430, as amended, 16 U.S.C. 777-777n and the Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration Act of 1937, 50 Stat. 917 as amended, 16 U.S.C. 669-669k, respectively. For a complete list of this program's authorizing legislation, go to: <https://www.cfda.gov> and search by the CFDA Program number. This award is made based on Service approval of your organization's application package, hereby incorporated by reference into this award. Funds under this award are to be used to operate and maintain facilities, provide outreach, vegetation management, habitat enhancement, hunting and human use surveys, and wildlife/fish population assessments at the Boqueron Wildlife Refuge.

The performance period of this award is August 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020. If you need more time to complete project activities, you must submit an Amendment request to extend the performance period to the Wildlife and Sport Fish Restoration (WSFR) Program Chief at program_r4wsfr@fws.gov before the end of the stated performance period (see *Performance Period Extensions* section in enclosure). Only allowable costs resulting from obligations incurred during the performance period may be charged to this award. All obligations incurred under the award must be liquidated no later than 90 calendar days after the end of the performance period, unless the Service approves a final financial reporting period extension (see *Reporting Requirements* section in enclosure).

The table below documents the approved funding for this award, including the Federal share and non-Federal match:

Grant Award Action	Funding Subaccount	Federal Funds	Federal %	Matching Funds	Match %	Total Award
Obligated	5222	\$215,847.75	100%	\$0.00	0%	\$215,847.75
Obligated	9512	\$42,449.25	100%	\$0.00	0%	\$42,449.25
Totals:		\$258,297.00	100%	\$0.00	0%	\$258,297.00

Prior Approvals: Recipients are required to request prior approvals for project and budget revisions in accordance with 2 CFR 200.308 unless otherwise specifically waived in this award. See *Project and Budget Revisions* section in enclosure.

Reporting Requirements: Interim and Final financial (SF-425) and performance reports are required under this award. The report periods and due dates under this award for each report are:

Report:	Report Period:	Report Due Date:
Final Federal Financial Report	August 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020	December 29, 2020
Final Performance Report	August 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020	December 29, 2020

Financial reports should be sent to fiscal_r4wsfr@fws.gov. Performance reports should be sent to program_r4wsfr@fws.gov.

Award Terms and Conditions: Acceptance of this financial assistance award carries with it the responsibility to be aware of and comply with the terms and conditions, attached, that are applicable to the award. This includes the Federal regulations that are applicable to Service awards; these terms and conditions for State, Local, and Federally-recognized Indian Tribal Governments are found in the Service's *Financial Assistance Award Terms and Conditions* (see *Terms of Acceptance* in enclosure). In addition to the Terms of Acceptance, the Special Conditions below will apply to this grant award.

Special Conditions and Provisions:

Equipment Purchased: The purchase of the itemized equipment in your budget narrative is approved per 2 CFR 200.439(b)(1). Equipment purchased with grant funds shall be used by the grantee or subgrantee in the program or project for which it was acquired as long as needed, whether or not the project continues to be supported by federal funds. When the equipment is no longer needed for the original program purposes, the equipment may be used in other activities currently or previously supported by the Federal agency. The State will use, manage, and dispose of equipment acquired with Federal Aid funds in accordance with State laws and procedures. If equipment with a current market value over \$5,000 is sold, the proceeds must be treated as program income.