1052.219–18 Notification of Competition Limited to Eligible 8(a) Concerns—Alternate III (Deviation).

In accordance with DTAR 1019.811–3(d)(3), substitute the following for the following for paragraph (c) in FAR 52.219–18:

(c) Any award resulting from this solicitation will be made directly by the contracting officer to the successful 8(a) offeror selected through the evaluation criteria set forth in this solicitation.

1052.219-70 SF 294 and SF 295 Reporting.

Per DTAR 1019.708–70(a), insert the following clause:

SF 294 and SF 295 Reporting (Mar 2002)

In accordance with the clause entitled
"Small, Small Disadvantaged and
Women-Owned Small Business
Subcontracting Plan" in section I and the
contract schedule, SF 294 and SF 295 reports
must be submitted to the following
personnel:

Addressee	Submit SF 294	Submit SF 295
	Copy	Copy.

(End of clause)

1052.219-71 Subcontracting Plan.

As prescribed in DTAR 1019.708–70(b), insert the following provision:

Subcontracting Plan (Mar 2002)

As part of its initial proposal, each large business offeror must submit a subcontracting plan, as prescribed in FAR 52.219–9. Use of the subcontracting plan outline contained in section J of this solicitation is optional; however, plans must contain all elements included in the outline. (End of provision)

1052.219-72 Section 8(a) Direct Awards.

As prescribed in DTAR 1019.811–3(f), insert the following clause:

Section 8(a) Direct Awards

- (a) This purchase order or contract is issued as a direct award between the contracting activity and the 8(a) contractor pursuant to the Memorandum of Understanding between the Small Business Administration (SBA) and the Department of the Treasury. SBA retains responsibility for 8(a) certification, 8(a) eligibility determinations and related issues, and provides counseling and assistance to the 8(a) contractor under the 8(a) program. The cognizant SBA district office is: [To be completed by the contracting officer at the time of award]
- (b) The contracting officer is responsible for administering the purchase order or contract and taking any action on behalf of the Government under the terms and conditions of the purchase order or contract. However, the contracting officer shall give advance notice to the SBA before it issues a final notice terminating performance, either in whole or in part, under the purchase order or contract. The contracting officer shall also coordinate with SBA prior to processing any novation agreement. The contracting officer may assign contract administration functions to a contract administration office.
 - (c) The contractor agrees:
- (1) To notify the contracting officer, simultaneously with its notification to SBA (as required by SBA's 8(a) regulations), when the owner(s) upon whom 8(a) eligibility is based, plan to relinquish ownership or control of the concern. Consistent with 15 U.S.C. 637(a)21), transfer of ownership or

control must result in termination of the contract for convenience, unless SBA waives the requirement for termination prior to the actual relinquishing of control; and

(2) To adhere to the requirements of FAR 52.219–14, Limitations on Subcontracting. (End of clause)

1052.219–73 Department of the Treasury Mentor-Protégé Program.

As described in DTAR 1019.202–70, insert the following provision:

Department of the Treasury Mentor-protégé Program (Jan 2000)

(a) Large and small businesses are encouraged to participate in the Department of the Treasury Mentor-Protégé Program. Mentor firms provide small business Protégés with developmental assistance to enhance their capabilities and ability to obtain federal contracts.

Mentor firms are large prime contractors or eligible small businesses capable of providing developmental assistance. Protégé firms are small businesses as defined in 13 CFR parts 121, 124, and 126.

Developmental assistance is technical, managerial, financial, and other mutually beneficial assistance to aid protégés. Contractors interested in participating in the Program are encouraged to contact the Department of the Treasury OSBD or the Bureau of the OSBD for further information. (End of provision)

1052.219-74 [Reserved]

1052.219–75 Mentor Requirements and Evaluation.

As prescribed in DTAR 1019.202–70, insert the following clause:

Mentor Requirements and Evaluation (Jan 2000)

(a) Mentor and protégé firms shall submit an evaluation to the Department of the Treasury's OSBD at the conclusion of the mutually agreed upon Program period, or the voluntary withdrawal by either party from the Program, whichever occurs first. At the conclusion of each year in the Mentor-Protégé Program, the prime contractor and protégé will formally brief the Department of the Treasury Mentor-Protégé Program Manager regarding program accomplishments under their mentor-protégé agreements.

(b)A mentor or protégé must notify the OSBD and the contracting officer, in writing, at least 30 calendar days in advance of the effective date of the firm's withdrawal from the Program. A mentor firm must notify the OSBD and the contracting officer upon receipt of a protégé's notice of withdrawal from the Program.

(End of clause)

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

50 CFR Part 17

Notice of Availability of the Final Recovery Plan for Gabbro Soil Plants of the Central Sierra Nevada Foothills

AGENCY: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of document availability.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, announce the availability of the final Recovery Plan for Gabbro Soil Plants of the Central Sierra Nevada Foothills. This recovery plan covers four plants listed as endangered: Stebbins' morning-glory (Calystegia stebbinsii), Pine Hill ceanothus (Ceanothus roderickii), Pine Hill flannelbush (Fremontodendron californicum ssp. decumbens), and El Dorado bedstraw (Galium californicum ssp. sierrae); one plant listed as threatened, Layne's butterweed (Senecio layneae); and one plant species of concern, El Dorado mule-ears (Wyethia reticulata).

ADDRESSES: Copies of this recovery plan are available by request from the Sacramento Fish and Wildlife Office, 2800 Cottage Way, Room W–2605, Sacramento, California 95825. Recovery Plans may also be obtained from: Fish and Wildlife Reference Service, 5430 Grosvenor Lane, Suite 110, Bethesda,

Maryland 20814, 301/429–6403 or 1–800–582–3421. The fee for the plan varies depending on the number of pages of the plan. This recovery plan will be made available on the World Wide Web at http://www.r1.fws.gov/ecoservices/endangered/recovery/default.htm.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Kirsten Tarp, Fish and Wildlife Biologist, at the above Sacramento address.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Recovery of endangered or threatened animals and plants is a primary goal of our endangered species program. A species is considered recovered when the species' ecosystem is restored and/ or threats to the species are removed so that self-sustaining and self-regulating populations of the species can be supported as persistent members of native biotic communities. Recovery plans describe actions considered necessary for the conservation of the species, establish criteria for downlisting or delisting listed species, and estimate time and cost for implementing the measures needed for recovery.

The Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended in 1988 (Act) (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.), requires the development of recovery plans for listed species unless such a plan would not promote the conservation of a particular species. Section 4(f) of the Act requires that public notice and an opportunity for public review and comment be provided during recovery plan development. Information presented during the public comment period has been considered in the preparation of this final recovery plan, and is summarized in an appendix to the recovery plan. We will forward substantive comments regarding recovery plan implementation to appropriate Federal or other entities so that they can take these comments into account during the course of implementing recovery actions.

The six species of plants covered in the final recovery plan are primarily restricted to gabbro soils habitat in the central Sierra Nevada foothills of California. Conversion of habitat to urban uses has extirpated the listed species and species of concern from a significant portion of their historic ranges. The remaining natural communities are highly fragmented, and many are marginal habitats in which these species may not persist during catastrophic events.

Interim goals include stabilizing and protecting populations, conducting research necessary to refine reclassification and recovery criteria, and reclassifying to threatened (i.e., downlisting) Stebbins' morning-glory and Pine Hill ceanothus, species currently federally listed as endangered. The ultimate goals of this recovery plan are: (1) Protect and restore sufficient habitat and numbers of populations; (2) ameliorate both the threats that caused five of the gabbro soil plants to be listed and any other newly identified threats; (3) delist Stebbins' morning-glory, Pine Hill ceanothus, and Layne's butterweed, and downlist Pine Hill flannelbush and El Dorado bedstraw; and (4) ensure the long-term conservation of El Dorado mule-ears.

Authority

The authority for this action is section 4(f) of the Endangered Species Act, 16 U.S.C. 1533(f).

Steve Thompson,

Manager, California/Nevada Operations Office, Region 1, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

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