

**WESTERN FORESTRY LEADERSHIP COALITION
MEMORANDUM**

TO: Vicki Christiansen, Deputy Chief, USDA Forest Service, State & Private Forestry

CC: Jaelith Hall-Rivera, Acting Associate Deputy Chief, USDA Forest Service, State & Private Forestry

FROM: Laura Schweitzer, Executive Director, CWSF / WFLC

SUBJECT: FY 2018 Western State & Private Forestry Landscape Scale Restoration Funding Recommendations

DATE: January 5, 2018

Please find enclosed recommendations for the FY 2018 Western State & Private Forestry Landscape Scale Restoration Grants. Many excellent proposals were received and the total amount requested greatly exceeded likely funds available. This year, the 17 western states and 6 Pacific islands were limited to submitting a maximum of three proposals. 45 project proposals were submitted for a total request of \$11,776,491.

The Western Forestry Leadership Coalition (WFLC) membership has approved the following FY 2018 grant proposals as the recommendation for funding at the anticipated total of \$4,000,000 for the west. This would fully fund 12 projects, and partially fund two projects in states whose requests were funded up to their per-state limit: Recommendation #14 at \$149,482 (Urban Forest Equity, WA) and Recommendation #9 at \$114,000 (ALVORD, MT). Please note that no state can receive more than 15% of the total western allocation.

For the second year out of a three-year period, the WFLC membership chose to provide a competitive pool of \$300,000 for Pacific Island applicants. Proposals from Pacific Island applicants that were under \$200,000 were scored in the general pool of applicants, however put into a separate funding pool with a total amount of available funds set at \$300,000. This approach resulted in recommendations to fully fund Recommendation #22 (Watershed Restoration, GU) at \$198,000, and partially fund Recommendation #25 (Micronesia Challenge, FM) at \$102,000 for a total of \$300,000 from the set-aside made for Pacific Island applications.



It should be noted that Pacific Island proposals requesting greater than \$200,000 were not removed from the 'regular' funding selection pool.

If more funding becomes available, we hope you will consider funding additional competitive projects from our remaining list of high quality western proposals. The Excel tables on the following pages show 1) the list of recommended proposals sorted by rank and showing funding recommendations and funds allocated per proposal, and 2) the list of recommended proposals sorted by USDA Forest Service Regions with sub-totals for funding recommendations; also provided is a copy of the web portal summary.

All proposals, comments, and scores, as well as the attached summary sheet can be found at www.forestrygrants.org. If the final allocated amount for the FY 2018 Western Competitive Resource Allocation Grants differs from the anticipated \$4,000,000, an indication of this from you would be appreciated so that we may adjust the recommendation list accordingly. Key points of contact for this information, as well as any questions regarding the enclosed recommendations should be directed to myself at (303) 893-0365, lschweitzer@westernforesters.org or to Grace Mirzeler (303) 835-9911, gmirzeler@westernforesters.org.

Thank you for your kind attention.

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Laura Schweitzer". The script is fluid and cursive.

Laura Schweitzer, Executive Director, CWSF / WFLC



FY 2018 Western LSR Projects Recommendations at \$3.7 M					
Ranking	USFS Region	State	Project Name	Funding Requested	Funding Recommended
1	1	MT	MT GOLDCREEK	300,000	300,000
2	2	KS	KS Canopy Loss	300,000	300,000
3	2	KS	KS Ark River Phase II	300,000	300,000
4	1	MT	MT TREESINTRIBAL	186,000	186,000
5	3	NM	NM Cienega	299,718	299,718
6	6	WA	WA PS Canopy Analysis	300,000	300,000
7	1	ID	ID Forest Economics	300,000	300,000
8	6	OR	OR Tree Mapping	300,000	300,000
9	1	MT	MT Alvord	132,000	114,000
10	4	NV	NV Washoe County Weeds	300,000	300,000
11	2	CO	CO Emerald Ash Borer	300,000	300,000
12	6	OR	OR Forestry Schools	300,000	300,000
13	5	HI	HI Sandalwood	250,800	250,800
14	6	WA	WA Urban Forest Equity	300,000	149,482
Total				\$3,868,518	\$3,700,000

*There is a \$600,000 max limit per state.

Pacific Island Forestry LSR Pool at \$300,000					
Ranking	USFS Region	State	Project Name	Funding Requested	Funding Recommended
22	5	GU	GU Watershed Restoration	198,000	198,000
26	5	FM	FM Micronesia Challenge	199,995	102,000
Total				\$397,995	\$300,000

Sub Totals by USFS Western Regions				
Ranking	USFS Region	State	Project Name	Funding Recommended
1	1	MT	MT GOLDCREEK	300,000
4	1	MT	MT TREESINTRIBAL	186,000
9	1	MT	MT Alvord	114,000
7	1	ID	ID Forest Economics	300,000
R1 Total				\$ 900,000
2	2	KS	KS Canopy Loss	300,000
3	2	KS	KS Ark River Phase II	300,000
11	2	CO	CO Emerald Ash Borer	300,000
R2 Total				\$900,000
5	3	NM	NM Cienega	299,718
R3 Total				\$299,718
10	4	NV	NV Washoe County Weeds	300,000
R4 Total				\$300,000
13	5	HI	HI Sandalwood	250,800
22	5	GU	GU Watershed Restoration	198,000
26	5	FM	FM Micronesia Challenge	102,000
R5 Total				\$600,000
8	6	OR	OR Tree Mapping	300,000
12	6	OR	OR Forestry Schools	300,000
6	6	WA	WA PS Canopy Analysis	300,000
14	6	WA	WA Urban Forest Equity	149,482
R6 Total				\$1,049,482

FY 2018 LSR CP Application Score & Funding Summary

Applications

R	S/T	Project Name	Avg. Rank	Funds Request	Cumulative Requests	Funds Allocated	Matching Funds
1	MT	GOLDCREEK	4.16	300,000	300,000	300,000	514,133
2	KS	Canopy Loss	4.16	300,000	600,000	300,000	300,000
3	KS	Ark River Phase II	6.33	300,000	900,000	300,000	438,214
4	MT	TREESINTRIBAL	6.50	186,000	1,086,000	186,000	186,000
5	NM	Cienega	7.16	299,718	1,385,718	299,718	300,000
6	WA	PS Canopy Analysis	7.33	300,000	1,685,718	300,000	300,000
7	ID	Forest Economics	7.83	300,000	1,985,718	300,000	300,000
8	OR	Tree Mapping	8.50	300,000	2,285,718	300,000	300,000
9	MT	ALVORD	8.50	132,000	2,417,718	114,000	146,000
10	NV	Washoe County Weeds	9.16	300,000	2,717,718	300,000	372,065
11	CO	Emerald Ash Borer	9.50	300,000	3,017,718	300,000	300,000
12	OR	Forestry Schools	9.83	300,000	3,317,718	300,000	300,000
13	HI	Sandalwood	9.83	250,800	3,568,518	250,800	250,800
14	WA	Urban Forest Equity	10.00	300,000	3,868,518	149,482 ^R	318,523
15	NE	Forestry Academy	10.16	300,000	4,168,518		
16	KS	Pollinators	10.33	300,000	4,468,518		
17	CO	Planning to Planting	10.50	300,000	4,768,518		
18	WA	Colville Stewardship	10.83	300,000	5,068,518		
19	NM	MiddleRioGrande	10.83	288,208	5,356,726		
20	NE	Community Forests	11.00	300,000	5,656,726		
21	OR	Oak Restoration	11.16	300,000	5,956,726		
22	GU	WatershedRestoration	11.16	198,000	6,154,726		
23	ID	Firewise Parks	11.33	300,000	6,454,726		
24	SD	Aspen Restoration	11.50	119,111	6,573,837		
25	FM	Micronesia Challenge	11.50	199,995	6,773,832		
26	AZ	Forest Pathway	12.16	300,000	7,073,832		
27	PW	NgermRestore	12.50	195,365	7,269,197		
28	ID	Healthy Communities	12.50	300,000	7,569,197		
29	HI	DHHL	12.66	300,000	7,869,197		
30	HI	Miconia	12.66	249,747	8,118,944		
31	CO	CO Forest Atlas	13.00	300,000	8,418,944		
32	ND	Identify	13.16	212,000	8,630,944		
33	CA	Fire Resilience	13.16	300,000	8,930,944		
34	AK	Susitna Valley	13.16	197,392	9,128,336		
35	GU	GROW	13.33	199,999	9,328,335		
36	NE	Education/outreach	13.50	275,000	9,603,335		
37	SD	Cold Hardiness	13.66	131,166	9,734,501		
38	SD	Tree Resources Inven	14.16	116,914	9,851,415		
39	NV	Parking Lot Trees	15.00	291,160	10,142,575		
40	UT	Virgin River	17.50	300,000	10,442,575		
41	NV	South Fork SRA	17.83	230,026	10,672,601		
42	CA	Big Tree Fuels	18.33	300,000	10,972,601		
43	UT	UTWasatch	19.83	300,000	11,272,601		
44	UT	Monroe Mountain	20.33	300,000	11,572,601		
45	CA	Tree Mortality	21.33	203,890	11,776,491		
Total					11,776,491	3,700,000	4,325,735

S/T	Amount from Pool	Amount over 16.216%	Amount from Remainder	Total State # Allocation
AK				
AZ				
CA				
CO	300,000			1 300,000
FM				
GU				
HI	250,800			1 250,800
ID	300,000			1 300,000
KS	600,000			2 600,000
MT	600,000	18,000		3 600,000
ND				
NE				
NM	299,718			1 299,718
NV	300,000			1 300,000
OR	600,000			2 600,000
PW				
SD				
UT				
WA	431,482		18,000	2 449,482
TOT:	3,682,000	18,000	18,000	14 3,700,000

Western region allocation used (Total State Allocation)
\$3,700,000 for 14 applicants in 14 proposals

No state can receive more than 16.216% of the total
or
\$600,000

The remainder is the sum of the the excess from states that
have exceeded 16.216% of the total pool

Color Key:

- Request funded up to the 16.216% per-state limit
- 16.216% limit exceeded for a state, request not funded
- Request funded exclusively from remainder
- The state did not submit any proposals
- R The request funding includes remainder funds