

CCCS of Mid Counties, 2575 Grand Canal Blvd, Suite 100, Stockton, CA 95207, Amount Awarded: \$40,841.00

CCCS of Orange County, P.O. Box 11330, 1920 Old Tustin Avenue, Santa Ana, CA 92711-1330, Amount Awarded: \$15,207.00

CCCS of San Diego and Imperial Counties, 1550 Hotel Circle N., Suite 110, San Diego, CA 92108-2907, Amount Awarded: \$33,354.00

CCCS of South Nevada, 3650 S. Decatur, Suite 30, Las Vegas, NV 89103, Amount Awarded: \$40,841.00

Community Action Agency, 124 New 6th Street, Lewiston, ID 83501, Amount Awarded: \$56,523.00

Community Housing & Credit Counseling Center (CHCCC), 1001 Willow Street, Chico, CA 95928, Amount Awarded: \$10,142.00

Community Housing Resource Center, 3801-A Main Street, Vancouver, WA 98663, Amount Awarded: \$58,724.00

Consumer Credit Counselors of Kern County, Inc., 5300 Lennox Avenue, Suite 200, Bakersfield, CA 93309, Amount Awarded: \$100,000.00

County of Santa Barbara Housing Authority, 815 W. Ocean Avenue, P.O. Box 397, Lompoc, CA 93438-0397, Amount Awarded: \$7,533.00

County of Santa Cruz Housing Authority, 2160 41st Avenue, Capitola, CA 95010-2060, Amount Awarded: \$18,500.00

Eden Council for Hope and Opportunity, 770 A Street, Hayward, CA 94541, Amount Awarded: \$28,700.00

Fair Housing Council of Orange County, 201 S. Broadway, Santa Ana, CA 92701, Amount Awarded: \$45,000.00

Fremont Public Association, P.O. Box 31151, Seattle, WA 98103, Amount Awarded: \$75,000.00

Inland Fair Housing and Mediation Board, 1005 Begonia Avenue, Ontario, CA 91762, Amount Awarded: \$65,485.00

Labor's Community Service Agency, 5818 N. 7th Street #100, Phoenix, AZ 85014, Amount Awarded: \$51,350.00

Legal Aid Society of Hawaii, 924 Bethel Street, Honolulu, HI 96813, Amount Awarded: \$25,000.00

Neighborhood House Association, 5660 Copley Drive, San Diego, CA 92111, Amount Awarded: \$7,533.00

Open Door Counseling Social Service, 34420 SW Tualatin Valley Highway, Hillsboro, OR 97123, Amount Awarded: \$25,492.00

Pierce County Department of Community Services, 8811 South Tacoma Way, Suite 201, Lakewood, WA 98499-4588, Amount Awarded: \$30,000.00

Portland Housing Center, 3233 NE Sandy Boulevard, Portland, OR 97232, Amount Awarded: \$40,000.00

Project Sentinel, 430 Sherman Avenue, Suite 308, Palo Alto, CA 94306, Amount Awarded: \$75,000.00

Sacramento Neighborhood Housing Services, Inc., 3453 5th Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95817, Amount Awarded: \$57,000.00

San Diego Home Loan Counseling Service, 3180 University Avenue, Suite 430, San Diego, CA 92104, Amount Awarded: \$100,000.00

Spokane Neighborhood Action Program, 2116 East First Avenue, Spokane, WA 99202, Amount Awarded: \$77,434.00

Springboard, Non-Profit Consumer Credit Mgmt., 6370 Magnolia Avenue, Suite 200, Riverside, CA 92056, Amount Awarded: \$97,097.00

Umpqua Community Action Network, 2448 West Harvard, Roseburg, OR 97470, Amount Awarded: \$30,000.00

Sport Fish Restoration Programs Improvement Act of 2000. Grants may be made from this priority list.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Chris McKay, National Grants Manager, Division of Federal Aid, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 4401 North Fairfax Drive, Mail Stop MBSP-4020, Arlington, Virginia 22203; phone (703) 358-2156; or e-mail chris_mckay@fws.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Wildlife and Sport Fish Restoration Programs Improvement Act of 2000 (Pub. L. 106-408) (Improvement Act) established a Multistate Conservation Grant Program within the Federal Aid in Wildlife Restoration Act (16 U.S.C. 669-669k) and Federal Aid in Sport Fish Restoration Act (16 U.S.C. 777-777m) (Restoration Acts). The Improvement Act authorizes grants of up to \$3 million annually from funds available under each of the Restoration Acts, for a total of up to \$6 million annually. Grants may be made from a priority list of projects submitted by the International Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies (IAFWA), which represent the State fish and wildlife agencies. The Service Director, exercising the authority of the Secretary, need not fund all recommended projects, but may not fund projects that are not recommended.

To be eligible for consideration by the IAFWA, a project must benefit fish and/or wildlife conservation in at least 26 States, a majority of the States in a Fish and Wildlife Service Region, or a regional association of State fish and wildlife agencies. Grants may be made to a State or group of States, to non-governmental organizations, and, for the purpose of carrying out the National Survey of Fishing, Hunting and Wildlife-Associated Recreation, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

The priority list of projects submitted by the IAFWA follows:

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Multistate Conservation Grant Program; Priority List for Conservation Projects.

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.
ACTION: Notice of receipt of priority list.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, are publishing, in this document, the priority list submitted by the International Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies for the Multistate Conservation Grant Program. This notice is required by the Wildlife and

| Project title | Applicant | Wildlife funds (in dollars) | Sport fish funds (in dollars) |
|--|---|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Wildlife Values in the West | Western Association of Fish & Wildlife Agencies (WAFWA). | 223,961 | 223,961 |
| Step Outside | National Shooting Sports Foundation | 92,600 | 92,600 |
| Becoming an Outdoors Woman | University of Wisconsin—Stevens Point. | 93,050 | 93,050 |
| Women in the Outdoors | National Wild Turkey Federation | 77,500 | 77,500 |
| The Trailblazer Adventure Program | U.S. Sportsmen's Alliance Foundation. | 80,000 | 80,000 |
| Automated Wildlife Data Systems Program Coordination | IAFWA Automated Wildlife Data Systems Task Force. | 81,840 | 81,840 |
| Provide Adaptive Equipment to State Fish & Game Departments to Assist Physically Challenged Individuals in Traditional Outdoor Activities. | Paralyzed Veterans of America | 44,000 | |
| Measuring Public Opinion of Fish and Wildlife Agencies in 13 Northeast States. | Northeast Conservation Information & Education Association. | 175,000 | 175,000 |
| Continued Support for State "Hooked on Fishing—Not on Drugs" Programs | Future Fisherman Foundation | | 51,500 |

| Project title | Applicant | Wildlife funds (in dollars) | Sport fish funds (in dollars) |
|--|---|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| "The Northern Bobwhite Conservation Initiative: Moving the Plan Forward" | Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency. | 225,000 | |
| Chronic Wasting Disease Prevention and Management Planning | IAFWA Wildlife Health Task Force | 357,500 | |
| Fish & Wildlife Reference Service: Managing and Providing Information to State Wildlife and Natural Resources Agencies. | KRA Corporation | 249,779 | 249,779 |
| * Evaluation of the Fish and Wildlife Reference Service | Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University. | 20,356 | 20,356 |
| Data Management Support for the Chronic Wasting Disease Initiative | Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University. | 92,154 | |
| Unwanted Aquatic Species: A Two-Year Project to Address State, Regional and National Aquatic Invasive Species Issues. | IAFWA Fisheries & Water Resources Policy Committee. | | 391,840 |
| Conservation Communication Team | IAFWA Education, Outreach & Diversity Committee and Point to Point Communications. | 114,000 | 114,000 |
| National 4-H Sportfishing Initiative | National 4-H Sportfishing Committee of the Texas 4-H Youth Development Foundation. | | 150,623 |
| Creating Master Naturalist programs | Texas Parks & Wildlife Department ... | 97,325 | 97,325 |
| National Housing Incident Clearinghouse | International Hunter Education Association. | 66,800 | |
| Wildlife Law News Weekly Alert and Online Services | Center for Wildlife Law at the University of New Mexico Institute of Public Law. | 40,500 | 40,500 |
| Management Assistance Team | IAFWA | 408,272 | 408,272 |
| Sage Grouse Data Management: Making States' Data Available to Conservation Planning Teams. | WAFWA Sage Grouse and Columbian Sharp-tailed Grouse Technical Committee. | 27,800 | |
| Bird Conservation for the Nation: Support for State All-Bird Conservation Efforts. | IAFWA Bird Conservation Committee | 214,520 | |
| Assessing Ownership, Use and Modifications of Trapping Systems, and Familiarity of Trapping BMPs by Trappers in the United States. | IAFWA Furbearer Resources Task Force; Education, Outreach & Diversity Committee; and Wildlife Resources Policy Committee. | 118,800 | |
| Development of a Detailed National Conservation Need for a National Fishing, Hunting, and Wildlife-Associated Recreation Survey. | IAFWA National Grants Committee ... | 125,000 | 125,000 |
| Totals | | 3,025,757 | 2,473,146 |

* Denotes project submitted pending a final decision of the IAFWA Executive Committee, which is expected December 13, 2002.

The total cost of the proposed Wildlife Restoration projects is more than the amount allocated by Congress for this program. If we were to fund all of these projects, funds allocated, but not spent, from Fiscal Year (FY) 2002 would be used to make up the difference for FY 2003. The rest of the funding would come from FY 2004 and FY 2005 allocations because six of these projects are multi-year projects.

We expect to decide by January 10, 2003, which of the listed projects will be awarded a FY 2003 Multistate Conservation Grant. We will also publish the list of the awards in the **Federal Register** immediately afterwards.

Dated: November 27, 2002.

Steve Williams,
Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Guidance on Streamlining Section 7 Consultation on Hazardous Fuels Treatment Projects

AGENCIES: Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), Interior; National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: The Fish and Wildlife Service and National Marine Fisheries Service (Services) announce the availability of guidance on alternative approaches for streamlining section 7 consultation on hazardous fuels treatment projects. This guidance presents options for land management agencies and the Services

for streamlining consultation conducted under section 7 of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (ESA). The guidance encourages early coordination and cooperation at the project planning stage, "batching" of similar projects, and use of design criteria or screens to streamline the consultation process while minimizing the potential for adverse effects to listed species and their habitats at both the landscape and site-specific levels. All procedures identified in this document are consistent with the requirements of section 7(a)(2) of the ESA and its implementing regulations (50 CFR part 402).

ADDRESSES: Electronic copies of this guidance may be obtained from the USFWS World Wide Web consultation home page at <http://endangered.fws.gov/consultations/streamlining.pdf>. Written copies of this guidance may be obtained from the Chief of the Division of Consultation, Habitat Conservation Planning, Recovery, and State Grants, United States Fish and Wildlife Service, 4401