



WESTERN FORESTRY LEADERSHIP COALITION
MEMORANDUM

TO: Jaelith Hall-Rivera, Associate Deputy Chief, State and Private Forestry, USDA Forest Service

CC: Khon Viengkham, Acting Deputy Area Budget Coordinator, State and Private Forestry, USDA Forest Service

FROM: Laura Schweitzer, Executive Director, CWSF / WFLC

SUBJECT: FY 2019 Western State & Private Forestry Landscape Scale Restoration Funding Recommendations

DATE: January 29, 2019

Please find enclosed recommendations for the FY 2019 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. 41 project proposals were submitted for a total request of \$15,585,510.

The Western Forestry Leadership Coalition (WFLC) membership has approved the following FY 2019 grant proposals as the recommendation for funding at the anticipated total of \$4,000,000 for the west. This would fully fund 13 projects; and partially fund one project: Recommendation #13 at \$231,830 (Lolo, MT). Please note that no state can receive more than 15% of the total western allocation.

The WFLC membership additionally chose to continue setting aside up to \$300,000 as a sub-competition pool for Pacific Island applications under \$200,000. Proposals from Pacific Island applicants that were under \$200,000 were scored alongside the general pool of applications, however were considered for funding separately. Pacific Island applications requesting greater than \$200,000 were not removed from the 'regular' funding selection pool. This approach resulted in the recommendation to fully fund Recommendation #40 (GU Biochar, GU) at \$198,000; as this was the only Pacific Island application under \$200,000 this year, the total for the set-aside made for Pacific Island applications was \$198,000.

If more funding becomes available, we hope you will consider funding additional competitive projects from our remaining list of high quality western proposals. The 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 2019 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 and to Danielle Okst at dokst@westernforesters.org.

Thank you for your kind attention.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Laura Schweitzer".

Laura Schweitzer, Executive Director, CWSF / WFLC

**FY 2019 Western LSR Competitive Grant Rankings and Funding Recommendations
from CWSF to the USDA Forest Service Washington Office¹**

Final / approved by WFLC as of November 17, 2018

<i>FY2019 Western LSR Projects Recommended for Funding to USDA Forest Service Washington Office at \$3,802,000</i>					
Ranking	USFS Region	State	Project Name	Funding Requested	Funding Recommended
1	6	WA	Forest Stewardship	\$300,000	\$300,000
2	1	ID	Riparian Restoration	\$300,000	\$300,000
3	2	KS	Landscape Stew	\$300,000	\$300,000
4	4	NV	Meadow Vly Riparian	\$276,402	\$276,402
5	3	NM	San Juan	\$293,768	\$293,768
6	4	UT	Monroe Mountain	\$300,000	\$300,000
7	4	UT	Virgin River	\$300,000	\$300,000
8	6	WA	UCF Equity	\$300,000	\$300,000
9	1	MT	Sanders	\$300,000	\$300,000
10	1	ID	Fire Resilient Prks	\$300,000	\$300,000
11	3	AZ	Beetle-Response	\$300,000	\$300,000
12	6	OR	Wasco Oak Restoration	\$300,000	\$300,000
13	1	MT	Lolo	\$300,000	\$231,830
		TOTAL		\$3,870,170	\$3,802,000

<i>PIFC Sub-competition - WLSR Projects Recommended for Funding to USDA Forest Service Washington Office²</i>					
Ranking	USFS Region	State	Project Name	Average Rank	Funds Requested
40	5	GU	GU Biochar	16.83	\$198,000
		TOTAL			\$198,000

****NOTES****

- Grant pool for FY2019 is estimated at \$4,000,000.**
 - Forestrygrants.org System is set to \$3,802,000 to account for the Western Pacific Islands Sub-competition applications to be funded.
 - Maximum request per applicant set at \$600,000 (\$15,781% of the \$3,802,000 and 15% of the original \$4,000,000).
- Pacific Island Forestry Sub-competition Pool - Total pool can be up to \$300,000. Projects under \$200,000 each qualify to be considered under the sub-competition.**

- One project, GU Biochar from Guam, totaling \$198,000 was applied for. The project will receive full funding.

FY2019 Western LSR Projects Recommended for: Sub Totals by USFS				
Ranking	USFS Region	State	Project Name	Funding Recommended
2	1	ID	Riparian Restoration	\$300,000
9	1	MT	Sanders	\$300,000
10	1	ID	Fire Resilient Prks	\$300,000
13	1	MT	Lolo	\$231,830
R1 Total				\$1,131,830
3	2	KS	Landscape Stew	\$300,000
R2 Total				\$300,000
5	3	NM	San Juan	\$293,768
11	3	AZ	Beetle-Response	\$300,000
R3 Total				\$593,867
4	4	NV	Meadow Vly Riparian	\$276,402
6	4	UT	Monroe Mountain	\$300,000
7	4	UT	Virgin River	\$300,000
R4 Total				\$876,402
40	5	GU	GU Biochar	\$198,000
R5 Total				\$198,000
1	6	WA	Forest Stewardship	\$300,000
8	6	WA	UCF Equity	\$300,000
12	6	OR	Wasco Oak Restoration	\$300,000
R6 Total				\$900,000

FY 2019 Western LSR Competitive Process Applications Scores and Funding Summary

R	S/T	Project Name	Avg. Rank	Funds Request	Cumulative Requests	Funds Allocated	Matching Funds
1	WA	Forest Stewardship	4.50	300,000	300,000	300,000	340,000
2	ID	Riparian Restoration	4.50	300,000	600,000	300,000	300,000
3	KS	Landscape Stew	5.16	300,000	900,000	300,000	513,652
4	NV	Meadow Vly Riparian	6.00	276,402	1,176,402	276,402	279,175
5	NM	San Juan	6.50	293,768	1,470,170	293,768	296,695
6	UT	Monroe Mountain	6.66	300,000	1,770,170	300,000	332,553
7	UT	Virgin River	7.16	300,000	2,070,170	300,000	325,000
8	WA	UCF Equity	7.33	300,000	2,370,170	300,000	300,000
9	MT	Sanders	7.66	300,000	2,670,170	300,000	300,000
10	ID	Fire Resilient Parks	8.33	300,000	2,970,170	300,000	300,000
11	AZ	Beetle-Response	8.66	300,000	3,270,170	300,000	310,000
12	OR	Wasco Oak Restoratio	9.16	300,000	3,570,170	300,000	300,000
13	MT	Lolo	9.50	300,000	3,870,170	231,830	300,000
14	NV	Walker Riv. Riparian	9.66	294,990	4,165,160		
15	HI	Mauna Lei	9.66	300,000	4,465,160		
16	HI	Puuwaawaa	9.66	295,259	4,760,419		
17	AZ	Flagstaff_Weed_Mgt	9.66	299,420	5,059,839		
18	NE	NECF 3Es	9.83	300,000	5,359,839		
19	WA	Spokane UFIA	10.00	300,000	5,659,839		
20	NV	Portal Enhancements	10.00	300,000	5,959,839		
21	UT	LittleBear	10.66	300,000	6,259,839		
22	NE	Hardwood Modernize	11.33	299,791	6,559,630		
23	ID	E. Idaho Shade Tree	11.50	300,000	6,859,630		
24	CA	Cal-TREX	11.50	300,000	7,159,630		
25	CO	Tree Collections	11.66	300,000	7,459,630		
26	MP	CNMITALAK HAYA	11.83	297,898	7,757,528		
27	KS	Monoculture Mania	11.83	300,000	8,057,528		
28	CO	Headwaters to Plains	11.83	300,000	8,357,528		
29	SD	Connecting	12.16	111,722	8,469,250		
30	CO	Upper CO River	12.83	300,000	8,769,250		
31	AZ	Little-Colorado	13.00	300,000	9,069,250		
32	OR	Phillip Schneider	13.16	300,000	9,369,250		
33	NE	HEAT	13.16	300,000	9,669,250		
34	CA	Sugar Pine	14.16	178,090	9,847,340		
35	CA	Cal-IPC	14.66	300,000	10,147,340		
36	OR	Klamath Lake Forest	15.00	300,000	10,447,340		
37	KS	Pollinators	15.16	300,000	10,747,340		
38	MT	Youth Education	16.00	300,000	11,047,340		
39	HI	Molokai Dry Forest	16.00	300,000	11,347,340		
40	GU	GU Biochar	16.83	198,000	11,545,340		
41	WY	WY Forest Inventory	18.66	170,000	11,715,340		
Total					11,715,340	3,802,000	4,197,075

S/T	Amount from Pool	Amount over 15.781%	Amount from Remainder	Total State Allocation
AZ	300,000			1 300,000
CA				
CO				
GU				
HI				
ID	600,000			2 600,000
KS	300,000			1 300,000
MP				
MT	531,830			2 531,830
NE				
NM	293,768			1 293,768
NV	276,402			1 276,402
OR	300,000			1 300,000
SD				
UT	600,000			2 600,000
WA	600,000			2 600,000
WY				
TOT:	3,802,000	0	0	13 3,802,000
Western region allocation used (Total State Allocation) \$3,802,000 for 13 applicants in 13 proposals				
No state can receive more than 15.781% of the total or \$600,000				
The remainder is the sum of the the excess from states that have exceeded 15.781% of the total pool				
Color Key:				
	Request funded up to the 15.781% per-state limit			
	15.781% 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			