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**REQUEST FOR STATEMENTS OF INTEREST**

**NUMBER W9126G-19-2-SOI-8961**

**PROJECT TO BE INITIATED IN 2019**

**Project Title:** IMCOM Wildland Fire Program Support

Responses to this Request for Statements of Interest will be used to identify potential investigators for a project to be funded by the US Army, which provides professional and technical support for its Integrated Natural Resources Management Plan (INRMP) in order to facilitate successful implementation of the 16 USC 670c-1 Sikes Act. Approximately \$373,200 is expected to be available to support this project. Additional funding may be available for additional tasks and/or follow on work in subsequent fiscal years to the successful Recipient/Awardee.

**Background:**

Provide support to IMCOM Wildland Fire Management Program.

**Type of Award:**

In accordance with the *Sikes Act* (Sec. 103A [16 USC 670c-1]) "the Secretary of a military department may enter into cooperative agreements with States, local governments, Indian Tribes, non-governmental organizations, and individuals" This project is in support of the Integrated Natural Resources Management Plan, as directed in the *Sikes Act*, and as a result, it is anticipated that a cooperative agreement through the CESU program will be awarded. Such awards may be administered through a CESU only upon mutual agreement and official authorization by both parties of the acceptance of the application of the CESU Network IDC rate (17.5%).

Note: Must be a non-federal partner in the CESU Unit to be qualified to be considered.

**Brief Description of Anticipated Work:**

This support focuses on the following objectives:

The Cooperator will provide support and technical expertise to assist IMCOM's Wildland Fire Program. Tasks include the following:

- (1) provide visioning support to determine and document customer-desired wildland fire program end state in relation to National Wildfire Coordinating Group (NWCG) compliance. Will involve a high level of coordination and communication with HQDA, IMCOM G4 ENV, installation personnel, designated federal partners, and knowledge of existing federal wildland fire programs;
- (2) develop, document, and report current condition information for all natural resource personnel involved with wildland fire at IMCOM installations;
- (3) develop and document a strategic plan for IMCOM to move from current natural resource-based wildland fire program conditions to desired future condition;
- (4) support the implementation of IMCOM G4 ENV wildland fire strategic plan, as approved;
- (5) support development and assist with deployment of a wildland fire database to be used for centralized and installation-level reporting of wildland fire activity, personnel, and equipment utilization;
- (6) coordinate closely with other IMCOM cooperating agencies to develop an annual training plan and assist in executing the training plan as requested;
- (7) provide input and support to HQDA to revise the 2002 Army Wildland Fire Policy by promulgating and implementing HQDA guidance.

**NOTE:** At this time we are only requesting that you demonstrate available qualifications and skills for performing similar or the same type of work. NFE's must demonstrate the Principal Investigator/Project Manager has at least 5 years of experience with Wildland Fire Management. Cooperators must demonstrate a high level of experience in coordinating with other federal wildland fire programs and meet RxB2 and NWCG qualifications. You will be evaluated for request for a proposal based on skills and qualifications demonstrated in your SOI.

**Period of Performance.** 12 months from date of award.

**Materials Requested for Statement of Interest/Qualifications:**

Please provide the following via e-mail attachment to: [sandra.justman@usace.army.mil](mailto:sandra.justman@usace.army.mil) and [brian.d.hesford@usace.army.mil](mailto:brian.d.hesford@usace.army.mil) (Maximum length: 2 pages, single-spaced 12 pt. font).

1. Name, Organization, Cage Code, Duns number, and Contact Information
2. Brief Statement of Qualifications (including):
  - a. Biographical Sketch,
  - b. Relevant past projects and clients with brief descriptions of these projects,
  - c. Staff, faculty or students available to work on this project and their areas of expertise,
  - d. Any brief description of capabilities to successfully complete the project you may wish to add (e.g. equipment, laboratory facilities, greenhouse facilities, field facilities, etc.).

**Note:** A full study proposal and proposed budget are NOT requested at this time.

**Review of Statements Received:** All statements of interest received will be evaluated by a board comprised of one or more people at the receiving installation or activity, who will determine which statement(s) best meet the program objectives. Based on a review of the Statements of Interest received, an investigator or investigators will be invited to prepare a full study proposal. Statements will be evaluated based on the investigator's specific experience and capabilities in areas related to the study requirements.

**Please send responses or direct questions to:**

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**Timeline for Review of Statements of Interest:** The RSOI is required to be out for a minimum of 10 working days. Review of Statements of Interest will begin **8/15/2019**.