

Applicant Questions and Responses

Request for Quotations: Contractor to Develop a Mojave Desert Tortoise Monitoring Plan in Support of the Recovery and Sustainment Partnership

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1. ***Do you have any guidance on the estimated funds available for this effort?***

We cannot share information about the budget for this project. The proposed cost should be adequate for the level of effort necessary for providing robust findings. The final scope and budget for the evaluation will be negotiated between NFWF and the selected contractor.

2. ***Is this plan available for perusal " NFWF is developing the Mojave Desert Tortoise Recovery Implementation Plan"?***

The Implementation Plan is still in development so we cannot share it at this time. However, it is largely based on USFWS' Recovery Plan for the Mojave Desert Tortoise and focuses specifically on the Western Mojave Recovery Unit.

3. ***Who is developing this plan for NFWF?***

NFWF is developing the Mojave Desert Tortoise Recovery Implementation Plan in partnership with DoD and USFWS. The proposed Monitoring Plan in this RFQ will accompany the finalized Implementation Plan.

4. ***Is there some way to advertise our expertise and experience to be considered as subgrantees assuming there is budget and scope for subgrantees?***

There is no budget and scope for subgrantees. An organization could be a subcontractor to the main contractor if they work with that organization to submit a joint proposal. NFWF intends to grant only one contract for this monitoring plan development. In the future, NFWF expects to run an RFP for on-the-ground projects implementing conservation actions, but that is separate from this current search for a monitoring plan contractor.