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Charlton H. Bonham, Director California Department of Fish and Game 1416 Ninth Street Sacramento, California 95814

Dear Mr. Bonham:

We are pleased to advise you that your Cooperative Agreement with the US Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) has been renewed for the current year. Thank you for the information your staff provided for the renewal.

Using the eligibility and evaluation criteria from the Notice of Funding Opportunity, the Service has selected the following 11 projects for funding consideration:

Buena Vista Lake shrew (<i>Sorex ornatus relictus</i>) conservation phase II: locating extant populations on CDFW lands using non-invasive survey techniques\$130,954	
Western snowy plover and California least tern recovery program on Ventura County beaches	
San Joaquin kit fox metapopulation viability analysis: Phase I. Addressing critical data gaps and assessing the impact of emergent threats\$206,849	
Recovery of the federally endangered San Bernardino kangaroo rat (<i>Dipodomys merriami parvus</i>) through translocation, population monitoring, and genetics\$370,516	
Five Lakes Basin non-native fish removal and Sierra Nevada yellow-legged frog (Rana sierrae) population recovery	
Status assessment and conservation actions for sensitive and listed Dudleya (liveforever) taxa affected by the Woolsey Fire\$182,150	
California gnatcatcher regional monitoring data collection and analysis\$158,024	
Population assessment of Clear Lake hitch (Lavinia exilicauda chi)\$340,631	
California least tern (Sterna antillarum browni) and western snowy plover (Charadrius nivosus nivosus) recovery at Eden Landing Ecological Reserve, Hayward, San Francisco Bay Area, California	

Protecting rare plants from invasive plants: Risk assessment and habitat enhancement for federally-listed plants in the central coast region of California...\$217,375

High mountain lakes (HML) Sierra Nevada yellow-legged frog (*Rana sierrae*; RASI; SNYLF) restoration and recovery in the Sierra Nevada\$274,178

TOTAL.....\$2,309,907

The Service will complete the appropriate Federal environmental compliance for these projects selected for funding consideration. Your staff may be contacted to help complete the associated environmental compliance. The Service will award the grants and obligate funds once these steps are completed.

If you have any questions please contact Karen Jensen, Traditional Section 6 Grants Coordinator, at (916) 414-6557. We look forward to meeting with your staff in the coming months to coordinate efforts related to the annual process and reporting of your conservation efforts through the Cooperative Agreement. This will facilitate another productive year of endangered species conservation efforts in California.

Sincerely,

Acting Regional Director

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