

Draft Individual Review Form

Proposal number: 2001-H206-2 Short Proposal Title: Butte County Ecological Preserves MP

1a) Are the objectives and hypotheses clearly stated?

Objective to prepare Management Plan, Infrastructure improvements, Restoration Plan, Habitat Monitoring Plans, are clearly stated; however the RFP and Exotic Removal plans are very weak.

1b1) Does the conceptual model clearly explain the underlying basis for the proposed work?

No real models identified other than what has been done at other areas.

1b2) Is the approach well designed and appropriate for meeting the objectives of the project?

The approach for the Management Plan, Infrastructure improvements, Restoration Plan, Habitat Monitoring Plans are adequately designed but the RFP part and Exotics Removal Plan are very weak.

1c1) Has the applicant justified the selection of research, pilot or demonstration project, or a full-scale implementation project?

The properties, after acquisition, need Management Plans, some infrastructure, signage, etc.. These seem justified, given the likely public access of the properties.

1c2) Is the project likely to generate information that can be used to inform future decision making?

The habitat Monitoring plan will generate useful information that could be used in the future for management decisions.

2a) Are the monitoring and information assessment plans adequate to assess the outcome of the project?

Habitat Monitoring Plan defines key areas of need. Proposed to use tested, existing template for information collection. Also, Plan will be peer reviewed.

2b) Are data collection, data management, data analysis, and reporting plans well-described, scientifically sound and adequate to meet the proposed objectives?

Not enough detail on who, what, when—very sparse.

3) Is the proposed work likely to be technically feasible?

Preparation of Management/ Use Plans not all that technical. This should be able to be accomplished as indicated.

4) Is the proposed project team qualified to efficiently and effectively implement the proposed project?

Only one person identified by name –other positions are identified by job classification. Can't determine how/who actually do the work. Very weak area.

Miscellaneous comments

Summary—This proposal is not bad, but there are some weak spots. Task 3, RFP's is not well justified; there are no funding sources identified to fund proposals. Premature to fund this Task. Also, Task 5 is not well justified. Nowhere in the proposal is there specific mention of any exotic (plant?) species. How do you write a Removal Plan if there are none? Public outreach is missing from this proposal, with the exception of talking to a few landowners. This area needs more work. Might consider funding Tasks 1,2,4,6,and 7. These are better defined with likely predictable success.

<p>Overall Evaluation Summary Rating</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Very Good <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good <input type="checkbox"/> Fair <input type="checkbox"/> Poor</p>	<p>Provide a brief explanation of your summary rating</p> <p>See summary comments in Misc. above.</p>
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