

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS)  
**Notice of Intent to Award to a Single Source without Competition (NOI)**

Per 505 DM 2, Section 2.14, a single source award is a financial assistance award specifically directed to a known recipient that is statutorily designated or determined to be an appropriate partner based on demonstrable criteria, such as unique expertise or capacity. Decisions to award funds to a single source without engaging in competition must withstand scrutiny, should protect the public interest, and should comport with management priorities, objectives and statutory requirements. **Programs must use this NOI template to document justification for issuing funds in any amount to a single source without competition.** The completed NOI template must be included in the official award file maintained by the program office. When issuing funds of \$25,000 or more to a single source a Grants.gov funding opportunity posting, including a synopsis and a complete application package, is required. The completed NOI template must be scanned and uploaded as an attachment to the Grants.gov funding opportunity synopsis.

<b>Recipient:</b>	
<b>Project Title:</b>	
<b>USFWS Contact Name:</b>	
<b>USFWS Contact Email:</b>	

**Single Source Justification (as per 505 DM 2.14) - select the applicable justification(s):**

	(1) Unsolicited Proposal - The proposed award is the result of an unsolicited assistance application which represents a unique or innovative idea, method, or approach which is not the subject of a current or planned contract or assistance award, but which is deemed advantageous to the program objectives;
	(2) Continuation - The activity to be funded is necessary to the satisfactory completion of, or is a continuation of an activity presently being funded, and for which competition would have a significant adverse effect on the continuity or completion of the activity.
	(3) Legislative Intent - The language in the applicable authorizing legislation or legislative history clearly indicates Congress' intent to restrict award to a particular recipient or purpose.
	(4) Unique Qualifications - The applicant is uniquely qualified to perform the activity based upon a variety of demonstrable factors such as location, property ownership, voluntary support capacity, cost-sharing ability, if applicable, technical expertise, or other such unique qualifications.
	(5) Emergencies - Program/award where there is insufficient time available (due to a compelling and unusual urgency, or substantial danger to health or safety) for adequate competitive procedures to be followed.

**Explain below why competition for this award is not practicable. Include a discussion of the program legislative history, unique capabilities of the proposed recipient, and any cost-sharing contribution offered by the proposed recipient, as applicable. Be brief and specific:**