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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 \$2,339,574.28 of Fiscal Year (FY) 2013 Endangered Species Act (ESA) Traditional Section 6 funds are available to your agency pursuant to our Cooperative Agreement. The Cooperative Agreement has been renewed for the current year. Thank you for the information your staff provided for the renewal.

Using both the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) project ranking information, our Service Field Office section 6 representatives worked closely with their CDFW counterparts to collectively recommend their highest priority projects given the known funding allocation. We hope that you are as pleased with this collaborative approach as we are.

The following is a list of the projects approved for FY 2013 CDFW Traditional Section 6 grants:

Captive propagation of the Pacific pocket mouse (Perognathus longimembra pacificus)	
Management, maintenance and restoration of Stebbins' morning glory (Calystegia stebbinsii)	\$108,653
Rock Creek restoration and Shasta crayfish reintroduction project	\$90,000
Recovery and conservation of multiple listed species in San Diego County through eradication of feral pigs.	\$143,268
Science with solutions: documentation, remediation and monitoring of the ecological impacts of marijuana cultivation on endangered species	\$503,858

Genetic examination of Walker Basin Lahontan cutthroat trout (Oncorhynchus clarkii henshawi) to inform translocation and recovery efforts	\$197,000
Sierra Nevada yellow-legged frog habitat restoration in North Central Region high mountain lakes	\$93,156
Planning and implementation of non-native tiger salamander control for the recovery and conservation of the federally endangered Santa Barbara Distinct Population Segment of the California tiger salamander	\$138,926
Manipulation of second-growth redwood tree crown structure to accelerate development of old-growth structural characteristics for the benefit of the marbled murrelet	\$131,039
Preparing and protecting western snowy plover roosting and nesting sites, surveying nest status, and monitoring population health in coastal southern California	\$256.272
Orcutt's spineflower (Chorizanthe orcuttiana) enhancement	
Restoration of mountain yellow-legged frog habitat in the San Bernardino, San Jacinto, and the eastern portion of the San Gabriel mountains	\$ <del>123,672</del> <sup>67</sup> ,500
TOTAL	\$2,339,574

Please prepare an Application for Federal Assistance (Standard Form 424) for each individual project, including all supporting grant documents. Please send the signed original and supporting documents by electronic mail to R8FA\_Grants@fws.gov and to karen\_jensen@fws.gov.

The Traditional Section 6 Grants Coordinator will complete the appropriate NEPA and ESA section 7 compliance for each project. However, we may contact your staff to help with the required environmental review associated with these projects. Completion of the grant and compliance documentation will allow the Wildlife and Sport Fish Restoration (WSFR) Program to obligate funds and make them available to reimburse your agency for costs related to these projects.

If you have any questions or need assistance in preparing the appropriate documents, please contact Karen Jensen, Traditional Section 6 Grants Coordinator, at (916) 414-6557. Additional information regarding the grant process, as well as necessary forms can be found at the Service's WSFR Program website, <a href="http://wsfrprograms.fws.gov/Subpages/ToolkitFiles/toolkit.pdf">http://wsfrprograms.fws.gov/Subpages/ToolkitFiles/toolkit.pdf</a>.

We look forward to another productive year of endangered species conservation efforts in California.

Sincerely,

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