

## Western Regional Panel 2006 Work Plan

### The following projects were funded through the Western Regional Panel 2006 Work Plan:

1. Inventory of Aquatic Invasive Species Education and Outreach Materials  
Dr. Mark Sytsma and Robyn Draheim  
Center for Lakes and Reservoirs, Portland State University, Portland, OR  
\$11,623.00
2. Assessment of the Potential for Zebra Mussel Invasion of Waters in the Western U.S. via Saltatory Dispersal and Evolution of Increased Thermal Tolerance  
Dr. Robert McMahon  
The University of Texas at Arlington, Arlington, TX  
\$21,367.00
3. Invasive Ecosystem Engineers in the Salt Marshes of Southern California, USA and Northern Baja California, Mexico  
Dr. Jeffrey Crooks  
Tijuana River National Estuarine Research Reserve, Imperial Beach, CA  
\$11,410.00

The Total cost of the Work Plan is \$44,412.00. \$30,000 will be funded with additional funds to the FWS agreement: 1448-60181-5G047.

The remaining funds are re-programmed from previous obligated funds through Pacific States Marine Fisheries Commission. \$10,000 was programmed for the development of the Kansas ANS Management Plan in 2003. This money was returned to PSMFC for use on other projects. The additional \$5,000 was programmed in 2004 for a project with the Puget Sound Water Quality Action Team and was returned to PSMFC because the expected partner withdrew support.

Therefore \$44,412.00 is available for funding the 2006 WRP Work Plan.

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Pacific States Marine Fisheries Commission is no longer going to be the fiscal agent for the Western Regional Panel. As a result, the FY2006 funds needed to be obligated in FY2006 by the end of June. The EC reviewed three proposals in May and made a decision to fund one for \$30,000. The project funded is:

4. Characterization of the risk of species transfer on recreational boats in marine systems via hull fouling: A pilot study  
Ian Davidson  
PSU/SERC Aquatic Bioinvasion Research and Policy Institute  
\$30,000