From: Michael Thabault
To: Nelson, Marjorie
Cc: Servheen, Chris; Fortin-Noreus, Jennifer
Subject: Re: AR assistance
Date: Wednesday, March 09, 2016 2:25:24 PM

Not sure about budget. Ten grand is what I think we did with wolf. I suggest 5 peer reviewers. I would want to seethe individual peer review comments but would want the contractor to synthesize. Deliverables would be synth report, individual reviews and potentially one meeting with Service staff to discuss rule. Timeline would be before end of second comment period because state regs may be part of the review as we did in wolf.

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On Mar 9, 2016, at 3:00 PM, Nelson, Marjorie <marjorie_nelson@fws.gov> wrote:

> if I get the SOW downstairs by Friday am, it can go out to contractor for their pricing response in 2 weeks. If good, we can award the task order shortly there after.
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> My questions to get this SOW done:
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> What is our budget?
> How many peer reviewers?
> What are the deliverables? In other words, a report from each peer reviewer? any collation or other packaging of comments needed?
> Timeline for deliverables?
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> I hope I'm not missing anything,
> Marj
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> Marjorie Nelson
> Chief, Division of Ecological Services
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> Check out the SSA Framework - Google site for staff at : https://sites.google.com/a/fws.gov/ssa/
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> On Wed, Mar 9, 2016 at 1:37 PM, Michael Thabault <michael_thabault@fws.gov> wrote:
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> > Yes have been thinking about that. We will get some capacity. May or may not be Jennifer.
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On Mar 9, 2016, at 1:16 PM, Servheen, Chris <chris_servheen@fws.gov> wrote:

> Mike and Marj,
> We talked to Marj earlier today about the peer review contract. She said "let me know if you need anything. Well, we do. We will need some assistance with the AR since we have almost no staff here. We understand that Jennifer Sturdivant is a skilled AR organizer and would hope that she or someone like her could be assigned to the AR issues with the proposed rule.
> Thanks,
> Chris
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> "Try to learn something about everything and everything about something."
> - Thomas Huxley.