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IN REPLY REFER TO:  
FWS-R8 2017 HCP Assistance

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Mr. Chuck Bonham, Director  
California Department of Fish and Wildlife  
1416 Ninth Street  
Sacramento, CA 95811

Dear Mr. Bonham:

We are pleased to inform you that the final selections for the FY 2017 Cooperative Endangered Species Conservation Fund, Habitat Conservation Planning Assistance (HCPA) grant program have been announced. Both of your agency's projects were selected for funding.

***Butte Regional Habitat Conservation Plan/Natural Community Conservation Plan.. \$473,723***  
***Upper Santa Ana River Watershed Habitat Conservation Plan..... \$999,980***

For your reference, we have enclosed a copy of our Director's memorandum announcing the National allocation amounts for the HCPA program and identification of the successful FY 2017 projects throughout the country.

The US Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) Regional office will coordinate with your staff to assist in completing the compliance documentation associated with these selected projects. Additional information may be needed to obtain a milestone/deliverable schedule for the grants. An award letter, obligating funds, will be sent to your agency once the grant is approved with updated milestones and regulatory compliance documentation.

If you have any questions, please contact Becky Miller, at (916) 978-6185 or by email at [becky\\_miller@fws.gov](mailto:becky_miller@fws.gov). Additional information regarding the grant process can be found at the following website: <http://fawiki.fws.gov>.

We look forward to another productive year of Habitat Conservation Planning efforts in California.

Sincerely,

Regional Director ***Acting***

Enclosure

**CC: Nicole Nelson, Federal Assistance Section, CDFW  
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### Memorandum

To: Regional Director, Regions 1 – 8

From: ~~Acting~~ Assistant Director – Ecological Services

Subject: Fiscal Year (FY) 2017 Cooperative Endangered Species Conservation Fund:  
Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP) Planning Assistance Grant Awards

This memorandum is to inform you that the FY 2017 HCP Planning Assistance grant awards, which were approved by the Principal Deputy Director on November 20, 2017, have been reviewed and approved by the Department of Interior. Through this memorandum, we are allocating approximately \$7.4 million through the HCP Planning Assistance program to the 13 grants listed in the attachment.

We will not be issuing a national press release announcing the award selections for the HCP Planning Assistance grants but encourage you to work with Regional External Affairs staff if desired. You are now free to inform the affected States and make these selections public.

If you have any questions or need further information, please contact Holly Herod, Chief, Branch of Environmental Response and Restoration at (703) 358-2068.

Attachments

### Attachment 1: HCP Planning Assistance Grants

All eligible proposals submitted by the Regions received full funding.

<b>Project Title</b>	<b>Region</b>	<b>State(s)</b>	<b>Funded Amount</b>
Western Oregon State Forests HCP	1	OR	\$750,000
Bush Prairie HCP	1	WA	\$900,000
Kauai Nene Island-wide HCP Phase II	1	HI	\$299,330
South Puget Sound Prairie HCP*	1	WA	\$679,741
MidAmerican Wind Power Facilities MSHCP	3	IA	\$750,000
Missouri Department of Conservation Statewide MSHCP	3	MO	\$634,822
Development of a Lake States Forest Management Bat HCP	3	MI,MN,WI	\$1,000,000
Development of HCPs for the Cumberlands Region, Tennessee	4	TN	\$340,266
Development of an HCP for Special Events in the City of Fort Lauderdale, Florida	4	FL	\$161,250
Development of an HCP for Pine Rockland Habitat in Miami-Dade County	4	FL	\$159,750
HCP for Indiana Bats and Northern Long-eared Bats Associated with Forest Management Activities on Pennsylvania Game Commission and Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources State Lands	5	PA	\$277,000
Butte Regional HCP/NCCP	8	CA	\$473,723
Upper Santa Ana River Watershed HCP	8	CA	\$999,980
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$7,425,862</b>

\*Indicates funding will be held unallocated in headquarters until the Region receives confirmation that Thurston County commits to the finalization of the habitat conservation plan.