

EXHIBIT “A”

Initial Tasks in Development of El Dorado County INRMP

Scope of Work

The following initial tasks would be conducted by SAIC to support El Dorado County (County) in determining the preferred approach to preparing the Integrated Natural Resources Management Plan (INRMP) for the western portion of the County.

Task 1. Prepare and Conduct Two Workshops with the County Board

SAIC will prepare for and conduct two workshops with the El Dorado County Board of Supervisors (Board). SAIC will coordinate with County staff prior to Board workshops to develop the workshop agendas. Up to two SAIC staff will attend each of the workshops.

For the first Board workshop, SAIC will prepare a MS PowerPoint presentation that includes an:

- overview requirements of County General Plan Policy 7.4.2.8 for developing an INRMP;
- overview of the Federal Endangered Species Act (ESA) Section 10 provisions including habitat conservation plan (HCP) contents;
- overview of the California Endangered Species Act Section 2081b permitting requirements;
- overview of California Natural Community Conservation Planning Act provisions including natural community conservation plan (NCCP) contents;
- comparison of regulatory and non-regulatory approaches to regional habitat conservation planning in El Dorado County, including a process whereby a non-regulatory INRMP is initiated and subsequently expanded to a regulatory HCP/NCCP.

SAIC will deliver this presentation at a workshop for the Board. The presentation will be approximately one hour, leaving time for questions and discussion of optional approaches. Hardcopies of the presentation slides will be provided to the Board members at the workshop.

SAIC will prepare for and conduct a second workshop with the County Board of Supervisors. This workshop will focus on deciding which among the various approaches to regional conservation planning the Board of Supervisors finds preferable. Questions and follow-up information that resulted from the first workshop will be addressed at this second workshop to support the decision making process.

Deliverables:

- 1st Workshop agenda
- 1st Workshop presentation materials – bound paper copies of PowerPoint presentation, 20 copies
- 2nd Workshop agenda

Task 2. Coordinate with Resource Agencies

SAIC will coordinate with key staff at U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and California Department of Fish and Game prior to the Board workshops and during preparation of the INRMP work plan. If the Board desires, SAIC will invite representatives of these wildlife agencies to one or both Board workshops. Coordination will be in the form of telephone and email communication. This task includes up to 20 hours of SAIC staff time in coordination with Federal and California resource agencies.

Deliverables:

- None

Task 3. Coordinate on Oak Woodland Management Plan

The Oak Woodland Management Plan (Oak Plan) should integrate with or, at a minimum, not conflict with the INRMP. The County has selected another contractor to prepare the Oak Plan. SAIC will review the scope of work proposed by the Oak Plan contractor and the draft Oak Plan. SAIC will provide advice and recommendations to the County and their contractor regarding any key aspects of the proposed Oak Plan that may need revision or adjustment to appropriately integrate with, or not conflict with, the INRMP. Should the Oak Plan contractor conduct mapping of oak woodlands, an important element of this task would be to ensure that the mapping of oak woodlands by the Oak Plan contractor is performed using classification and mapping methods that would be compatible with the land cover type map to be prepared for the INRMP. Following our review of the draft Oak Plan, SAIC will prepare a memorandum presenting advice and recommendations for the Oak Plan.

Deliverables:

- Memorandum with comments on draft Oak Plan – Word or pdf file delivered via email

Task 4. Based on Board Guidance, Revise INRMP Work Plan

Based on decisions from the Board workshops conducted under Task 1, SAIC will prepare a work plan for the INRMP. The work plan will draw substantially from the proposed INRMP scope of work presented in SAIC's June 12, 2006 proposal to the County to prepare the INRMP. The INRMP work plan will reflect the preferred approach to regulatory compliance identified by the Board. SAIC will prepare a draft work plan for review by the County. Following review, SAIC will prepare a final

INRMP work plan that will be the basis for the contractual scope of work between the County and SAIC for preparing the INRMP.

Deliverables:

- Draft INRMP Work Plan – Word or pdf file delivered via email
- Final INRMP Work Plan – Word or pdf file delivered via email

Task 5. Provide Legal Advice

Ebbin Moser + Skaggs LLP under subcontract to SAIC will provide up to 10 hours of support to the County in the form of legal advice on federal and state endangered species regulations and compliance requirements. Representatives of Ebbin Moser + Skaggs LLP may be requested to attend one or both of the two workshops described under Task 1.

Technical Assumptions

The scope of work presented above is predicated on the following technical assumptions:

1. Scheduling of Board workshops will be the responsibility of the County and will be scheduled to occur in September and October 2006 on mutually agreed upon dates.
2. County reviews of draft documents (workshop presentation, INRMP Work Plan) will be completed within two weeks of receipt of draft documents and comments provided will be clear and without conflicting requests.

<u>Action/Deliverable</u>	<u>Completion Date</u>
First Board Workshop	September 2006
Second Board Workshop	September or October 2006
Memorandum on Oak Plan	2 weeks from receipt of draft Oak Plan
Draft INRMP Work Plan	4 weeks from 2 nd Board meeting
Final INRMP Work Plan	2 weeks from receipt of comments on draft

The period of performance for all tasks is from September 2006 through December 2006.