

## **Exhibit A**

### **Statement of Work**

**WATER ACTIVITY NAME – Curry Easements Woody Invasives Removal for the west side of the North Fork of the Gunnison River Project**

**GRANT RECIPIENT – DELTA CONSERVATION DISTRICT (DCD)**

**FUNDING SOURCE -** Water Supply Reserve Account – Basin Account

### **INTRODUCTION**

This project covers the removal of invasives for the Curry Easements along the North Fork of the Gunnison River on the west side of the river. The project will mechanically eradicate and herbicidally treat Tamarisk and Russian olive, and revegetate with native species as required on an approximately 2 mile long linear stretch along the North Fork of the Gunnison River above and below the Union Pacific railroad bridge in Hotchkiss.

This project is a continuation of DCD's North Fork River improvement project addressing woody invasives. The DCD's North Fork River Improvement project is a multi-year large scope effort that DCD has undertaken to improve the health of the North Fork of the Gunnison River. To date our efforts have completed clearing, herbicidally treating and chipping Russian olive, Tamarisk and Siberian elm on parcels comprising 300+ acres:

- Curry easement east side of the river above the railroad bridge
- Paonia River Park
- 5 parcels of privately owned land
- 2 parcels of city/town land

Our effort has been funded by the following organizations:

- Gunnison Basin Roundtable
- Colorado River Water Conservation District
- National Wild Turkey Federation

Future funding of the multi-year project has been approved under the Invasive Phreatophyte Control Program administered by the Colorado Water Conservation Board – Chris Sturm

### **OBJECTIVES**

The project objectives include:

- Complete the removal of woody invasives on the west side of the Curry Easements.
- Generate a final report which details all efforts completed

### **TASK 1 – Mechanical Removal of Invasive Weeds**

#### Description of Task

The focus of Task 1 is the removal of the woody invasives and native revegetation, as needed.

#### Method/Procedure

Western Colorado Conservation Corps (WCCC) will be subcontracted to complete mechanical

eradication of Tamarisk and Russian olive trees including herbicide application with assistance from the Delta County Weed Coordinator. WCCC will chip the slash as needed. Permission to cross private land to reach the Curry Easements will be obtained as needed from up to 9 potential private property owners.

As required, native revegetation will be accomplished with DCD volunteers.

#### Deliverable

A report on the activities completed to remove the invasive weeds, will be delivered.

### **TASK 2 – Regrowth Removal**

#### Description of Task

Tasks will focus on removing regrowth of the invasive weeds and will be completed in Year 2.

#### Method/Procedure

WCCC will use small tools for removal and herbicide application as required to treat invasive regrowth that occurs.

#### Deliverable

A report on regrowth encountered and the activities needed to complete removal of the invasive weeds regrowth will be delivered in the final report.

### **TASK 3 – Final Report**

#### Description of Task

The effort of this task is to compile and document all of the activities of this project.

#### Method/Procedure

The results of this project will be implemented into the final report. The report will be contributed to and reviewed by all of the partners. The final report will be reviewed and approved by the Board of Supervisors of the DCD.

#### Deliverable

The final report is the deliverable.

## REPORTING AND FINAL DELIVERABLE

DCD shall provide a progress report every 12 months, beginning from the date of the executed contract. Our progress reports shall describe the completion or partial completion of the tasks identified in the statement of work including a description of any major issues that have occurred and any corrective action taken to address these issues. All deliverables defined for the tasks will be delivered in the progress reports.

At completion of the project, DCD shall provide a final report that summarizes the project and documents how the project was completed. Our report may contain photographs, summaries of meetings, and deliverables defined for each task.

## PROJECT BENEFITS

The will result in the following benefits:

- Russian olive, Tamarisk and other woody invasives will be removed from a significant stretch of the North Fork of the Gunnison River thereby decreasing the seed flow toward the main stem of the Gunnison and improving the river corridor habitat.

## PROJECT SUPPORTERS

Curry Easements, Western Colorado Conservation Corps, Delta County Weed Coordinator and Western Slope Conservation Center (formerly NWCC)

## BUDGET

The total project funds are given in the Grant Request Table. A total project budget by task is given below

**Grant Request Table**

<b>Total Project Cost</b>	<b>\$9,615</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Funding Work Area</b>
Water Supply Reserve Account- Statewide Account	\$0		Tasks 1 through 3
Gunnison Basin Roundtable	\$8,865		Tasks 1 through 3
<b>List Funding Sources</b>			
Delta Conservation District	\$750	In Kind	Tasks 1 through 3

**SCHEDULE** - The following tables provide a project schedule including key milestones for each task and the completion dates.

	Start Date	Finish Date
Russian olive and Tamarisk Removal	1/2/2014	3/31/2015
Task 1	1/2/2014	4/30/2014
Task 2	4/30/2014	3/31/2015
Task 3 Final Report	1/2/2015	3/31/2015

<b>Russian olive and Tamarisk Removal</b>	Labor	ODC	In-Kind Match	Total
Task 1 – Removal of Invasives	\$325	\$6,700	\$250	\$7,275
Task 2 – Regrowth Treatment	\$250	\$1,000	\$125	\$1,375
Task 3 – Final Report	\$590	\$0	\$375	\$965
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1165</b>	<b>\$7,700</b>	<b>\$750</b>	<b>\$9,615</b>

## **ODC**

- Office supplies and materials – \$400; Herbicide - \$600
- WCCC Labor -\$8,865

Labor is DCD project labor and management, and administration estimated at 54 hours valued at \$25.00 per hour.

## **In-Kind Contribution**

Company	Hours	\$/H	Total
DCD	28	\$25	\$700
WSCC	2	\$25	\$50

## **PAYMENT**

DCD will request payment based on actual expenditures and invoice accordingly to CWCB. The request for payment will include a description of the work accomplished by major task, and estimate of the percent completion for individual tasks and the entire water

activity in relation to the percentage of budget spent, identification of any major issues and proposed or implemented corrective actions. DCD understands that the last 5 percent of the entire water activity budget will be withheld until final project/water activity documentation is completed. All products, data and information developed as a result of this grant will be provided to the CWCBC in hard copy and electronic format as part of the project documentation. This information will in turn be made available to the Gunnison Basin Roundtable.

## **INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS**

DCD will meet all insurance requirements taken from the standard contract apply to WSRA projects that exceed \$25,000 in accordance with the policies of the State Controller's Office. Proof of insurance as stated below will be provided upon notification of intent to award this grant.

## **W-9 FORM**

DCD will provide a completed W-9 form prior execution of a contract or purchase order