

Project #32008

Title of Project: Wildlife Inventory and Habitat Evaluation of Duck Valley Indian Reservation

Organization Requesting Funding: Shoshone-Paiute Tribes of Duck Valley Indian Reservation

ISRP Comments: A response is needed. The ISRP is very much in favor of the type of objectives described, but the proposal is not amenable to scientific review. A detailed wildlife inventory, monitoring, and habitat evaluation plan should be developed and included in the response, perhaps in cooperation with the subcontractor.

Response: Attached please find a rough draft of the Wildlife Inventory and Habitat Evaluation Plan the Tribes drafted in response to ISRP's comments. Due to the short time frame in which to respond to the ISRP's comments, the Tribes were unable to fully develop the plan but will refine it over the next few months.

The Tribes will be contracting with a University professor with significant experience in statistical sampling design. However, there was insufficient time to develop a work contract and begin work on the inventory and monitoring plan.

ISRP Comment: The proponents may wish to work with the interagency work group supporting proposal #1992-06100 "Albeni Falls Wildlife Mitigation" to help develop the plans for monitoring and evaluation. These plans were reviewed by the ISRP in the addendum to report ISRP 2001-4 "Review of Draft Albeni Falls M&E Plan."

Response: The Shoshone-Paiute Tribes participate in the Southern Idaho Wildlife Mitigation Program (SIWM) as well as with Columbia Basin Fish and Wildlife Authority fish and wildlife managers. SIWM members are working together to develop a monitoring and evaluation plan that is consistent with the Albeni Falls plan and that meets our needs. One of topics of discussion at the February CBFWA was the proposal that CBFWA develop an M&E template usable across the Columbia River Basin. The Tribes are very supportive of this concept and will work collaboratively with CBFWA, SIWM and the Albeni Falls Working Group to develop an appropriate monitoring and evaluation plan for the Reservation.

Attachment: [Habitat Evaluation, Wildlife Inventory and Monitoring Plan \(PDF\)](#)