

# Intertech Services Corporation

*PLANNING - ECONOMICS - PROGRAM MANAGEMENT*

September 24, 2013

Mr. Demar Dahl  
Chairman  
Nevada Land Management Task Force  
C/O Nevada Association of Counties  
304 South Minnesota Street  
Carson City, NV 89703

RE: Proposal for Analysis of Public Land Transfer to State of Nevada

Dear Mr. Dahl:

Pursuant to your request and based upon our discussions with NACO staff and yourself during our September 9, 2013 meeting, I am pleased to submit this letter proposal for Intertech Services Corporation (ISC), in consultation with Resource Concepts, Inc. (RCI), to prepare a comprehensive report from the Land Management Task Force to be submitted to the Nevada Legislature's Public Lands Committee. A primary focus of the report will be updating of the data and analyses contained in with the following reports prepared by the ISC/RCI team in the mid-90's:

- "Identification of Public Land Transfer Issues and Preliminary Comparative Economic Analysis", Resource Concepts, Inc. and Intertech Services Corporation, prepared for Eureka County, Nevada, Nov. 1994
- "Alternatives for Management of an Expanded State Land Base in Nevada", Intertech Services Corporation and Resource Concepts, Inc., prepared for Eureka County Nevada, February 1996

In updating these reports, the ISC/RCI team intends to collect and analyze state and federal land management cost, revenue and outcome data for the five year period 2008-2012.

In addition, the ISC/RCI team proposes to include a comparative analysis of costs and revenues for recreation uses and renewable energy generation on state and federal lands in Arizona, Idaho, New Mexico and Utah (same four states addressed in the aforementioned reports). The ISC/RCI team will also collect and analyze data and prepare a comparative analysis of resource condition trends for BLM administered and state land within these same four states. Inclusion of this analysis will enable important conclusions to be drawn regarding the relationship of trends in state and federal land management funding and manpower levels to resource conditions.

As proposed, the ISC/RCI team will prepare a comprehensive draft report for presentation to and review by Nevada Land Management Task Force members, NACO staff and others as appropriate. A final report would then be prepared which addresses comments to the draft report. As proposed, the draft and final report will be provided to NACO in electronic form for distribution by NACO to reviewers and placement on the NACO website as appropriate.

Finally, I am prepared to present progress updates on data collection/analysis/report preparation progress to meetings of the Nevada Land Management Task Force and the Nevada Legislature's Public Lands Committee. I am also prepared to present the draft report to the Nevada Land Management Task Force

and others as appropriate. In addition, I am proposing that I consult with and present the final report to members of Nevada's Executive Branch and Congressional Delegation.

Each of the aforementioned tasks is detailed on Exhibit 1. Exhibit 1 also lists the estimated hours and cost by task for both Intertech Services Corporation and Resource Concepts, Inc. Finally, Exhibit 1 shows the estimated expenses (i.e. copies, airfare, lodging, mileage, per diem, etc.) per task. As indicated in Exhibit 1, the total estimated cost for the ISC/RCI team to complete the 33 identified tasks is \$66,240.00. The ISC/RCI team is prepared to begin work on the tasks outlined in Exhibit 1 immediately. Following acceptance of his proposal by the Land Management Task Force/NACO, ISC will develop and submit to NACO a contract concerning completion of the tasks listed in Exhibit 1.

Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions regarding this letter proposal.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mike Baughman', with a horizontal line extending to the right.

Mike Baughman, Ph.D., CEcD  
President

Cc: Mr. Marvin Tebeau, Resource Concepts, Inc.  
Mr. Jeff Fontaine, Nevada Association of Counties

**Exhibit 1. Estimated Schedule and Cost: Analysis of Public Land Transfer to State of Nevada**

<b>Task</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Estimated Task Duration<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>Intertech Services Corporation Hours</b>	<b>Intertech Services Labor Cost<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>Resource Concepts, Inc. Hours</b>	<b>Resource Concepts, Inc. Labor Cost<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>Estimated Expense Cost</b>	<b>Total Estimated Cost</b>
1.1	Preparation of Annotated Outline for Public Lands Task Force Comprehensive Report to the Nevada Legislature's Public Lands Committee	11/1/13-11/15/13	4	520.00	4	520.00	0.00	1,040.00
2.1	Optional Preparation of Draft Issues Letter to Agencies and Stakeholders for Distribution by NACO	11/1/13-11/15/13	2	260.00	12	1,560.00	0.00	1,820.00
2.2	Analysis and Write-up of Issues Section of Updated Report	12/15/13-12/31/13	4	520.00	40	5,200.00	0.00	5,720.00
2.3	Prepare Updated Discussion of Impacts of Land Transfer on Mining Taxes	11/15/13-11/30/13	4	520.00	N/A	N/A	0.00	520.00
2.4	Collection of Data and Updating of Tables 1-27 and Figures 1-6 of 1994 Eureka County Report	11/1/13-12/15/13	40	5,200.00	N/A	N/A	0.00	5,200.00
2.5	Analysis and Write-up for Updated Tables 1-27 and Figures 1-6 of 1994 Eureka County Report	12/15/13-1/31/14	24	3,120.00	N/A	N/A	0.00	3,120.00
2.6	Prepare Updated Conclusions and Recommendations to 1994 Eureka County Report	2/1/14-2/15/14	4	520.00	4	520.00	0.00	1,040.00
3.1	Coordinate with NACO Staff in Updating 1996 Issues Surrounding Political Viability of Congressional Interest in the Transfer of Public Lands	12/1/13-12/31/13	2	260.00	N/A	N/A	0.00	260.00
3.2	Research Current Legal Issues Regarding Land Transfer	12/15/13-12/31/13	4	520.00	N/A	N/A	0.00	520.00
3.3	Prepare Written Update of Section 2 of 1996 Eureka County Report Regarding Political Viability and Legal Issues	1/1/14-1/15/14	4	520.00	N/A	N/A	0.00	520.00
3.4	Coordinate with NACO Staff to Identify and Compile Current Literature Regarding Public Land Transfer Issues	1/1/14-1/15/14	2	260.00	N/A	N/A	0.00	260.00
3.5	Review Current Literature and Prepare Written Summary of Same to Update Section 3.0 of 1996 Eureka County Report	2/15/14-2/28/14	16	2,080.00	N/A	N/A	0.00	2,080.00
3.6	Research to Identify Current State and Federal Land Management Goals; Section 4.3 of 1996 Eureka County Report	2/1/14-2/15/14	4	520.00	N/A	N/A	0.00	520.00

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3.7	Prepare Written Update of Section 4.3 of 1996 Eureka County Report Regarding Current State and Federal Land Management Goals	2/15/14-2/28/14	4	520.00	N/A	N/A	0.00	520.00
3.8	Coordinate with NACO Staff in their Update of Sections 5.1 and 5.2 of 1996 Eureka County Report Regarding Existing and Previously Proposed State Land Management Functions in Nevada	2/15/14-2/28/14	2	260.00	N/A	N/A	0.00	260.00
3.9	Collection of Data and Updating of Tables 2-14 and Tables 16-17 of 1996 Eureka County Report	2/15/14 – 3/15/14	24	3,120.00	N/A	N/A	0.00	3,120.00
3.10	Update Table 15 of 1996 Eureka County Report to Reflect Current Potential Economic Uses of Public Land	2/1/14-2/15/14	2	260.00	N/A	N/A	0.00	260.00
3.11	Analysis and Write-up for Updated Tables 2-17 of 1996 Eureka County Report	3/15/14-4/15/14	16	2,080.00	N/A	N/A	0.00	2,080.00
3.12	Collection of Current Data Regarding Recreation Land Use Costs and Revenues on State and Federal Lands	2/1/14-2/28/14	8	1,040.00	N/A	N/A	0.00	1,040.00
3.13	Analysis and Write-up of Recreation Land Use Costs and Revenues on State and Federal Lands	3/1/14-3/15/14	4	520.00	N/A	N/A	0.00	520.00
3.14	Collection of Current Data Regarding Renewable Energy Generation Land Use Costs and Revenues on State and Federal Lands	2/1/14-2/28/14	8	1,040.00	N/A	N/A	0.00	1,040.00
3.15	Analysis and Write-up of Renewable Energy Generation Land Use Costs and Revenues on State and Federal Lands	3/1/14-3/15/14	4	520.00	N/A	N/A	0.00	520.00
4.1	Collection of Current Data Regarding Resource Condition Trends for BLM Administered and State Lands	1/1/14-1/31/14	4	520.00	8	1,040.00	0.00	1,560.00
4.2	Analysis and Write-up of Resource Condition Trends for BLM Administered and State Lands	2/1/14-2/15/28	2	260.00	32	4,160.00	0.00	4,420.00
5.1	Analysis and Write-up of How Public Land Transfer Might Align/Support or Impair Implementation of Nevada Governor's Economic Development Plan	3/15/14-3/31/14	6	780.00	N/A	N/A	0.00	780.00
6.2	Identify and Write-up Alternative Strategies for Funding Management of Expanded State of Nevada Land Base	3/14/14-3/31/14	8	1,040.00	8	1,040.00	0.00	2,080.00
7.1	Prepare Draft Comprehensive Land Management Task Force Report (electronic file to NACO)	4/1/14-4/30/14	32	4,160.00	32	4,160.00	200.00	8,520.00

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7.2	Prepare Final Comprehensive Land Management Task Force Report (electronic file to NACO)	5/1/14-5/15/14	24	3,120.00	24	3,120.00	200.00	6,440.00
8.1	Coord. Meetings with Lands Management Task Force Leadership and NACO staff (assume 8 mtgs.)	TBD	16	2,080.00	16	2,080.00	0.00	4,160.00
8.2	Presentation of Progress, Draft and Final Comprehensive Reports to Land Management Task Force (assume 4 presentations)	TBD	12	1,560.00	N/A	N/A	1,200.00	2,760.00
8.3	Optional Consultation with NV Gov Office and Agency Directors Regarding Draft and/or Final Comprehensive Report (assume 2 meetings)	TBD	6	780.00	N/A	N/A	200.00	980.00
8.4	Presentations to Nevada Legislature's Public Lands Committee (assume 2 presentations)	TBD	6	780.00	N/A	N/A	800.00	1,580.00
8.5	Consultation Regarding Land Management Task Force Comprehensive Report with Nevada's Congressional Delegation (assume 2 meetings)	TBD	6	780.00	N/A	N/A	200.00	980.00
<b>Total</b>			308	\$40,040.00	180	\$23,400.00	\$2,800.00	\$66,240.00

1/ Assumes Notice to Proceed effective November 1, 2013.

2/ At \$130.00/hr.

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