

Attachment A

**AMENDMENT NUMBER 1 TO THE  
AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE EASTERN SIERRA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS AND  
THE WHITEBARK INSTITUTE OF INTERDISCIPLINARY ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES FOR THE  
FOR THE PROVISION OF NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT SERVICES FOR THE EASTERN  
SIERRA PACE AND SCALE ACCELERATOR**

WHEREAS, the Eastern Sierra Council of Governments (hereinafter referred to as “ESCOG”) and The Whitebark Institute (hereinafter referred to as “Contractor”), have entered into an Agreement for the Provision of National Environmental Policy Act Services for the Eastern Sierra Pace and Scale Accelerator, dated June 1, 2022, and;

WHEREAS, ESCOG and Contractor desire and consent to amend such Agreement as set forth below;

WHEREAS, such Agreement provides that it may be modified, amended, changed, added to, or subtracted from, by the mutual consent of the parties thereto, if such amendment or change is in written form, and executed with the same formalities as such Agreement, and attached to the original Agreement to maintain continuity.

ESCOG and Contractor hereby amend such Agreement as follows:

1. Attachment A Scope of Work shall be amended to read as follows:

Whitebark will work under the authority of the INF to conduct all necessary environmental surveys, studies, and analyses for NEPA compliance using the condition-based planning approach described in the draft proposed action attached to the ESCOG's RFP of February 17, 2022. Whitebark will conduct resource studies such as botany, archaeology, wildlife habitat, recreation, soils, hydrology, and silviculture assessments sufficient to meet the grant requirements as described in Tasks 1 through 5 outlined in the ESCOG's RFP of February 17, 2022 (Attachment D).

Silvicultural walkthroughs and assessments shall be completed by Whitebark as described below:

Whitebark will conduct silviculture walkthroughs to characterize forest structure, including trees per acre by size class, basal area, snags per acre, downed fuel loads, and stand heterogeneity. With this data, Whitebark will develop forest-level prescription templates and silviculture prescriptions for select units. Whitebark will also play a large role in developing the ESCCRP Proposed Action, which is forestry focused and includes specific targets for forest structure and composition. Whitebark will produce the Silviculture Report for the ESCCRP and determine applicable Inyo National Forest land and resource management plan components.

Grantee will submit to the CDFW Grant Manager the Silviculture Assessment which includes:

- Unit-level stand structure and composition data with GIS location information
- NEPA-ready silviculture report with stand exam analyses and GIS-made maps
- Silviculture prescriptions for select units
- Prescription templates for each forest type
- Prepare and complete Common Stand Exams in Inventoried Roadless Areas. Complete analysis of common stand exams and summarize results for IRA report
- Research into and use of decision support tools (ForSys)
- Research into tools to create efficiencies in silviculture prescription development, monitoring, and implementation preparation

All the other terms and conditions of the Agreement are unchanged and remain the same.

**ESCOG**

**CONTRACTOR**

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

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APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

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ESOCG Counsel

APPROVED AS TO ACCOUNTING FORM:

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ESOCG Fiscal Services