

## APPENDIX I

### LAKE TAHOE CAPITAL PROJECT PROPOSAL

<b>Project Name:</b> Tahoe Yellow Cress – Cons Plans on Private Lands	<b>Capital Focus Area:</b> Watershed and Habitat Improvement Focus Area. TES Species Program.	<b>EIP #:</b> <b>10159</b>
<b>Lead Agency:</b> Natural Resources Conservation Service (USDA)	<b>Contact:</b> Jane Schmidt, District Conservationist	
<b>Threshold: Vegetation</b>	<b>Phone Number:</b> 530-543-1501 (101)	
<b>Threshold Standard: V-3, Sensitive Plants</b>	<b>Email Address:</b> Jane.schmidt@ca.usda.gov	
<b>Is this a multi-year Project?</b> (If “Yes”, describe in the Detailed Project Description below number of years or phases and which year the requested funding will cover)	<b>Total Project Cost:</b> <b>Funding Request in this Round:</b>	<b>\$45,000</b>
YES		

**Project Summary (maximum 200 words):** This project targets the implementation of the Conservation Strategy for Tahoe yellow cress, intended to preclude the listing of the species under the Endangered Species Act, specifically the development of conservation plans for private property owners documenting conservation technical assistance provided to help landowners conserve the species. It may include some supplies for signage or examples of temporary fencing measures needed to protect the plant during critical periods when it is subject to human disturbance. Successful implementation of this part of the Strategy will mean that important privately owned habitat will be protected by approved conservation practices, helping to insure enhancement, recovery , or protection of the species.

**Detailed Project Description:** NRCS will work with private property owners identified by the Tahoe Yellow Cress Adaptive Management Working Group that are interested in obtaining conservation technical assistance for protecting this species on their land. NRCS will coordinate with the working group to insure conservation plans are congruent with the goals and objectives of the Conservation Strategy.. Initially, 10 conservation plans are targeted for completion in 2008. Materials for signage and to demonstrate temporary fencing options would also be utilized. This could evolve into a multi-year effort, however, this funding request is to support the program for one year.

**Describe the goals and objectives of the project:** This project addresses assistance objectives under the TES program (TES-A1, TES-A2, TES-A3) The project goal is to help implement the Conservation Strategy for Tahoe Yellow Cress on the private land component of habitat for this plant around Lake Tahoe.

**Describe the anticipated project accomplishments:** To assist a minimum of 10 private property owners with conservation plans aimed at protecting Tahoe yellow cress on their private lands. Provide signage, and demonstrate the use of temporary fencing options to protect the species.

**Describe the “readiness” of this project to move forward (Environmental documentation, etc.):** Program is ready to implement when funding is received.

**Describe partnerships for this project. (Include documentation):** The Tahoe Yellow Cress Adaptive Management Working Group helps to guide and coordinate efforts for the Conservation Strategy for this species. NRCS would work in coordination with this partnership to assist with the private land portion of the project. UNCE is actively engaged in an outreach and education effort to private landowners to generate their interest in participating in conservation planning.

**Describe the project monitoring that will be implemented as part of this project including:**

**(1) The questions the monitoring program is designed to answer**

Determine levels of private landowner awareness of the Tahoe Yellow Cress issue and the ability of the outreach efforts to convince the public to take an active role in responding to this issue. Determine if documented conservation plans assist landowners in making beneficial decisions on behalf of Tahoe Yellow Cress.

**(2) The monitoring approach**

Follow-up with landowners who receive plans to determine their level of implementation of practices. Document the number of requests for assistance.

**(3) Whether this project monitoring fits in to a larger monitoring or research program?**

Yes, this project is part of a comprehensive Basin-wide effort to protect, enhance, and restore Tahoe Yellow Cress according to the Conservation Strategy for this plant.

**Describe how the project results will be communicated and made-available to the public.**

Results will be communicated in a composite form that summarizes key results, so that other agencies involved in the Tahoe Yellow Cress Adaptive Management Working Group are advised of the results of the project

**Include an 8 ½ X 11 map depicting the project.**

This project includes private lands along the lakeshore of Lake Tahoe, and specific areas of work will be identified later, during education and outreach activities being conducted by UNCE.

**Appendix B-8**

**LAKE TAHOE RESTORATION PROJECTS  
ESTIMATED DIRECT COSTS & KEY MILESTONE DATES**

Project Name: Tahoe Yellow Cress - Cons. Plans Agency: Natural Resources  
 Prepared on Private Lands Phone Conservation Service (USDA)  
 by: Jane Schmidt : 530-543-1501 EIP #: 10159  
 SNPLMA Project #: \_\_\_\_\_

**Identify estimated costs of eligible reimbursement expenses:**

<b>1. Planning, Environmental Assessment and Research Costs</b> (specialist surveys, reports, monitoring, data collection, analysis, NEPA, etc.)	\$	<u>9,250</u>	<u>21</u>	%
<b>2. FWS Consultation – Endangered Species Act</b>	\$	<u>5,000</u>	<u>11</u>	%
<b>3. Direct Labor (Payroll) to Perform the Project</b>		<u>12,000</u>	<u>27</u>	%
<b>4. Project Equipment</b> (tools, software, specialized equipment, etc.)	\$	<u>5,000</u>	<u>11</u>	%
<b>5. Travel</b> (including per diem where official travel status required to carry out project, such as serve as COR, experts to review reports, etc.)	\$	<u>2,000</u>	<u>4</u>	%
<b>6. Official Vehicle Use</b> (pro rata cost for use of Official Vehicles when required to carry out project)	\$	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	%
<b>7. Cost of Contracts, Grants and/or Agreements to Perform the Project</b>	\$	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	%
<b>8. Other Direct Costs</b> Agency payroll for the Contracting Officer to do project procurement, COR, Project Inspector, Sec. 106 Consultation if required, NEPA Lead, Project Manager, Project Supervisor, and subject experts to review contracted surveys, designs/drawings, plans, reports, etc.; Also covered is the cost to contract for a Project Manager and/or Project Supervisor if contracted separately from other project contracts	\$	<u>5,000</u>	<u>11</u>	%
<b>9. Other Necessary Expenses (See A-B-9)</b>	\$	<u>6,750</u>	<u>15</u>	%
<b>TOTAL:</b>	\$	<u>45,000</u>	<u>100</u>	%

**Estimated Key Milestone Dates:**

Milestones/Deliverables:	Date:
<b>10 Conservation plans on private lands</b>	<b>Sept, 2009</b>
Final Completion Date:	<b>Sept. 2009</b>