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Date: February 23, 2023

Dear Prospective Applicant:

The Inyo National Forest is soliciting proposals from interested parties for a campground concession special use permit to provide high-quality public service in the operation and maintenance of government-owned recreation facilities. The new permit will replace the current concession permit which expires December 31, 2023.

One permit will be issued for government-owned recreation facilities located on the Mono, Mt. Whitney, Mammoth, and White Mountain Ranger Districts of the Inyo National Forest.

The Forest will complete the application evaluation and make a selection by early fall of 2023, with the intention of the successful applicant beginning on-site operations in spring of 2024.

All prospective applicants are advised to read the prospectus carefully. All applicants must submit a written application that must include the information listed under **Section IV Application**. Applicants must submit one (1) hard copy and one (1) electronic copy on a flash drive of their application package, supporting documents, and business plan to the Forest contact listed below. Applications must be received by close of business (4:30 p.m. MDT) on **Monday, May 22, 2023**. Please mail completed proposals to:

Lesley Yen
Forest Supervisor
Inyo National Forest
Attention: Adam Barnett
351 Pacu Lane Suite 200
Bishop, CA 93514

Applications submitted in response to this prospectus are subject to cost recovery pursuant to 36 CFR 251.58 (c)(1)(ii) and (c)(3)(iii). Applicants must submit the processing fee (**\$1,800**) required by the prospectus to cover costs of the application package review. Payments due to the United States for this application must be paid in the form of bank draft, money order, or cashier's check payable to the *USDA-Forest Service*. Separate payment (**\$350**) for the business plan review should be made out to *El Camino College SBDC* and be in the form of a cashier's check. Payments must be enclosed in the application package.

The selected applicant may be responsible for the costs of preparing and issuing the permit and will be required to undergo a Financial Ability Determination (FAD), unless the Forest Service has conducted a FAD for the applicant within the past year. If a FAD has been completed for the



applicant within the last 12 months, the applicant will be responsible for the cost of adjusting it to reflect any change this selection may have on the applicant's financial ability.

The prospectus is available electronically on the Federal Business Opportunities website, sam.gov.

For specific questions regarding information contained in the prospectus, please contact Adam Barnett, Public Services Staff Officer at (760) 873-2461 or adam.barnett@usda.gov.

A site tour of the sites included in the Prospectus was led by the Forest July 25th – 28th, 2022. Questions asked during this tour, and the answers provided, have been published alongside this prospectus.

Thank you for your interest in the Inyo National Forest.

Sincerely,

LESLEY YEN
Forest Supervisor