JUSTIFICATION FOR OTHER THAN FULL AND OPEN COMPETITION (INCLUDING BRAND NAME)

- 1. <u>AGENCY AND CONTRACTING ACTIVITY</u> (FAR 6.303-2(a)(1)). Bureau of Land Management, Prineville District Office, 3050 NE Third Street, Prineville, Oregon 97756.
- 2. <u>NATURE/DESCRIPTION OF ACTION(s)</u> (FAR 6.303-2(a)(2)). The Department of Interior, Bureau of Land Management, Prineville District Office, 3050 NE Third Street, Prineville, Oregon 97756, Request the purchase of Iron Rangers for use within their recreation program to enable the District to comply with BLM Manual Rel. 2-295 Supersedes Rel. 2-291 8/7/2006 H-2930-1 RECREATION PERMIT ADMINISTRATION (Public) To insure financial integrity, staff safety and security while collecting campground fees at remote locations without power.
- 3. <u>DESCRIPTION OF THE SUPPLIES/SERVICES</u> (FAR 6.303-2(a)(3)). To purchase and supply (31) Fee Collection Vaults "Iron Rangers" along with (62) Removable Insert Drop Boxes at (31) Recreation Sites throughout the District.

The estimated value of this acquisition is: 31 vaults at \$571.50 each, 62 Inserts at \$462 each, and \$1,412.82 in Shipping cost, a total cost of \$47,773.32.

- 4. <u>IDENTIFICATION OF STATUTORY AUTHORITY</u> (FAR 6.303-2(a)(4)). The statutory authority that will be used is 41 U.S.C. 253(c)1) Only one responsible source and no other supplier or services are known or available at this time.
- 5. <u>DEMONSTRATION OF CONTRACTOR'S UNIQUE QUALIFICATIONS</u> (FAR 6.303-2(a) (5)). This requirement is for sole source procurement from SAE DK Works, LLC, which is the only known manufacturing company who makes fee collection devices which meet BLM requirements for the following features; security, vandalism and financial accountability. The Fee Collection System must have an Interchangeable or Replaceable Lock Box with a Double Lock System incorporated so the collections officer does not have access to the monies while in transport.

SAE DK Works, LLC, has done 30 years of extensive field testing and have worked with the USDA Forest Service, USDI Bureau of Land Management and National Park Service to refine, design and repeatedly modify their design to be vandal proof and theft resistant. The vault has ¼" thick, 12" square tubing with insert boxes that have Stainless Steel Top Plates and Aluminum Side Square Tubing, which make them light weight and easy to remove and transport. The Inserts are also built with Internal Devices and Plates which are strategically located and smoothly finished so they do not restrict movement of the fee envelope although they deter commonly known techniques of "Fishing" or steeling. Additional construction includes doubled welded seams and joints which are extremely smooth and finished but add extreme strength to deters prying open any seams.

External Review of the Prineville District Office on April 8, 2009, when Team Member Colleen McBeth from the Oregon State Office OR915, reviewed and reported the following: Regulations;

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Economic and Administrative Feasibility of Fee Collection

Fee collection is administratively feasible if the collection method is workable and cost effective. At a minimum, it is economically feasible if the anticipated revenue is greater than the cost of collection. Determining the feasibility and cost effectiveness of initiating or raising fees should consider factors such as the effect on visitation, collection procedures, enforcement capability, availability of staff, and overall revenue potential. The question of feasibility should be decided after all reasonable methods of collection have been considered. The feasibility of more than one method of collection, such as closing entrance stations during the off-season and **directing visitors to pay their fees at a center or a replaceable locked box fee tube should be considered.** Common collection methods include staffed fee stations, various honor systems, reservation systems, permit systems, and automated devices such as toll gates or coin-operated ticketing machines. The collection method chosen should be tied to the type of fee being collected.

IX. FINANCIAL CONTROLS

It is critical that controls are used in the collection and depositing of fee collections. The use of <u>double fee boxes</u>, two individuals to collect fees, or persons bonded should be used in handling fees. The procedures in the Collections Handbook and other collections instruction memoranda must be followed.

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Bureau policy requires the use of two person collections or an Iron Ranger type fee collection system for the safe removal and transport of fees collected at campsite fee stations. SAE DK Works, LLC is the only company that produces this dual lock box system.

- 6. <u>FEDERAL BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES AND ELECTRONIC COMMERCE FOR POTENTIAL SOURCES</u> (FAR 6.303-2(a)(6)). Publication of a notice of intent is required if the action is expected to exceed \$25,000.
- 7. <u>DETERMINATION OF FAIR AND REASONABLE COST</u> (FAR 6.303-2(a)(7)). Market Research has shown similar supplies by other vendors but do not meet Bureau Regulations requiring a Removable, Double Lock system.
- 8. <u>DESCRIPTION OF MARKET RESEARCH</u> (FAR 6.303-2(a)(8)). We have done an extensive Internet/Intranet Electronic Search while also talking with other Dept of Interior and Agriculture Recreation Specialist. SAE DK Works, LLC is commonly used by those who can afford them, and at facilities in remote locations without power.
- 9. ANY OTHER SUPPORTING FACTS (FAR 6.303-2(a)(9)).

No other manufacturers of similar type fee collection systems appear to be available. SAE DK Works, LLC were at one time on the GSA vendor contract list but has since expired, but SAE DK Works, LLC has agreed to maintain their GSA pricing until such time the agreement can be renewed.

11. ACTIONS, TAKEN TO REMOVE BARRIER TO COMPETITION (FAR 6.303-2(a)(11)).

The Bureau of Land Management Oregon State Office has provided our district a one-time funding opportunity to order these fee vaults in order for us to comply with Bureau Manual Regulations .

12. <u>CONTRACTING OFFICERS CERTIFICATION THAT THE JUSTIFICATION IS ACCURATE AND COMPLETE.</u> (FAR 6.303-2 (a)(12)). See certifications below.

TECHNICAL AND REQUIREMENTS CERTIFICATION (FAR 6.303-1(b))

I certify that the facts and representations which are included in this justification and which form a basis for this justification are complete and accurate.

Signature: JC Hanf, Natural Resource Specialist, OR050, 41.416.6774	Date:
CONTRACTING OFFICER CERTIFICATION (FAR 6.303-1(a) and 6.303-2(a) I certify that this justification is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge.	/ \ //
Signature: Date Name/Title/Office Code/Phone:	::