

DACW69-96-P-0832  
Work Order 0004  
Statement of Work (SOW)  
Dolly Sods North Area, Ordnance Removal Project  
Monongahela National Forest  
West Virginia

1. BACKGROUND: The 6169-acre Dolly Sods North Area, located within Tucker County, West Virginia and managed by the U.S. Forest Service, was a part of the 2,181,000 acre West Virginia Maneuver Area during World War II. Even though areas were searched and cleared by military explosive ordnance disposal (EOD) teams after the war, at least 20 pieces of ordnance have been found in recent years. Some of these were found in a 1991 feasibility study by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, on the Dolly Sods Wilderness. The study included searching a sampling of areas considered to most likely have been used as targets or contain overshots or undershots. Approximately 281 acres of the 10,215 wilderness were searched with magnetometers and thirteen pieces of ordnance, ranging in size, were found from 6 to 24 inches beneath the surface. A concentration of ordnance is thought to exist in the Red Creek Valley, Bear Rocks area where campers and hunters are commonly found. An estimated 45,000 people come to the Dolly Sods North area each year for hiking, camping, picnics, and hunting. The area contains approximately 23 miles of trails and has 75 commonly used camping areas.

2. SCOPE: The purpose of the SOW is to seek contract support to prepare an Environmental Assessment (EA) for the proposed ordnance removal project at Dolly Sods North. The EA along with other engineering and environmental studies will be used in a workplan for the unexploded ordnance (UXO) contractor.

TASK 1: The contractor shall conduct a field reconnaissance of the Dolly Sods North area to collect data necessary for EA completion.

TASK 2: The contractor shall coordinate with U.S. Forest Service (FS), U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), WV Division of Natural Resource (DNR) and WV State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) to ensure that all laws and regulations these agencies operate under are addressed in the EA.

TASK 3: The contractor shall provide the Huntington District a preliminary draft, draft and final EA for the Dolly Sods North which shall provide the following: (1) a map of the study area, (2) general photographic documentation of the study area, (3) Threatened and Endangered Species documentation and (4) correspondence appendix of all contact with Federal, State and general resource oriented agencies.

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3. DELIVERABLES: a. Conduct field reconnaissance and investigation (Task 1). b. Provide the Huntington District with a resource agency coordination file (Task 2). c. Provide the District with a Preliminary Draft and Final EA for the Dolly Sods North Ordinance Removal Project (Task 3). d. Provide the Huntington District a map and photographic documentation regarding the field investigation (Task 3).

4. ACCEPTABLE CRITERIA: Service provided will be evaluated on the contractor's ability to conduct the field investigation and prepare the EA's. Formal review of the preliminary draft, and final EA by the Huntington District will constitute acceptance of deliverables.

5. DISTRICT FURNISHED PROPERTY: The District will provide the Cultural Resources Survey, Fish and Wildlife Coordination and Section 7 documents, along with any other available information. In addition the District will provide the service of an Ecologist for field assistance and to oversee the investigation.

6. PLACE OF PERFORMANCE: The field investigation shall be conducted at Dolly Sods North and surrounding area, located in the Monongahela National Forest, West Virginia. The preparation of the EA's shall take place in the contractors office which shall be open for District visits.

7. PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE: The field investigation and NEPA document preparation shall be conducted during the 1 December - 31 December, 1996 time period. The Preliminary Draft EA shall be submitted to the Huntington District by 15 Jan 97, the Draft EA by 31 Jan 97, and the Final EA by 15 Mar 97.

8. ADMINISTRATIVE/TECHNICAL POC: The administrative POC is A. Benjamin Borda, CEORH-PD-R 304-529-5712. The technical POC is Wallace E. Dean, CEORH-PD-R 304-529-5712.