

Partnerships & Agreements

What You will Learn

- Authorities
- Existing National Agreements
 - MOUs
 - Interagency Agreements
- Local Agreements
 - Cooperative Management Agreements
 - Cooperative Agreements
- Volunteer Agreements

Authorities

- A. The Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976, Section 307(b), 43 U.S.C. 1737(b).
- B. The Federal Cave Resources Protection Act of 1988, Sec 4(b) (3), 16 U.S.C. 4303(b) (3).

National Agreements

- Interagency Agreement
 - BLM, USGS, USFS, USFWS, NPS
 - Environmental Education
 - Training
 - Information Pooling and Transfer
 - Research.
 - Regional Agreements
 - Publications
 - Freedom of Information Act

National Agreements

- Interagency Agreement
- MOU with NSS & CRF
 - Access
 - Confidentiality < - - >
 - Research < - - >
 - Activity Reports
 - Acknowledgements < - - >
 - Additional Agreements (CMA, Volunteer)

Local Agreements

- Interagency Agreements
- Cooperative Management Agreements
 - No \$\$\$ Involved
- Cooperative Agreements
 - \$\$\$ Task Orders
- Volunteer Agreements
 - Individual
 - Group

Cooperative Management Agreements

- Terms:
 - 5 Year renewable, Nonexclusive
 - NO \$\$\$
- Responsibilities:
 - BLM: Prepares Volunteer papers, Provides equipment, supplies, work space, Opportunity for Planning input
 - Partner: Provides project reports, ensures participant safety, Recommends project needs
- Projects:
 - Monitoring, Exploration, Inventory, Mapping, Restoration, Conservation, Education, Research, **Confidential Information**
- Participating Management Team

Cooperative Agreements

- Basically like a standing contract with general provisions
- Task Orders are written for specific projects when funding is available
- Must show at least 50 % matching by Partner
- Projects may include: Gate Installation, Bat Counts, Resources Location and Inventory, Mapping, Data Base Development,

Volunteer Agreements

- Individual Agreements - Good for long term volunteers or projects
- Group Agreements - Good for large short term Grotto or Regional projects. Graffiti removal, Clean ups, Trail installation
- Include job description and Risk Assessment

Examples

- Interagency Search and Rescue Agreement
- SAR MOU-Firefighter Training Academy
- Lost Cave Management Agreement
- SWR Cooperative Management Agreement
- SWR Cooperative Agreement
- Task Orders