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MEMORANDUM

To: Regional Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Region 2
ATTN: Research Coordinators/Science Officers

From: Regional Chief Biologist, Central Region

Subject: Fiscal Year 2005 Quick Response Funding

Through the Quick Response Program, the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) Biological Resources Division (BRD) provides funds to its scientists to respond quickly to immediate, current year needs of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS). We plan to continue our commitment to meeting these short-term research and technical assistance needs in FY 2005. The purpose of this memorandum is to solicit requests for Quick Response research projects from your Region.

For FY 2005, the USGS Central Region has planned a total allocation of \$150,000 to administer the Quick Response Program for USFWS Regions 2, 3, and 6. Each Region may submit one or more Quick Response requests, not to exceed \$50,000 total per Region.

Please limit your proposals to a minimum of \$10,000 per project. Proposals should be sent to the Central Regional Office by September 1, 2004. If your Region has a Quick Response research need that is shared with another USFWS Region, you may coordinate your response to leverage/increase the total funding allocated to address that need.

Please include the following information for each Quick Response request:

- A brief (two page maximum) of the problem to be addressed, the significance and priority of the issue, and background information including the scientific or technical issues that underlie the proposed issue, and value of the anticipated results.
- A description of the desired products (e.g., written report, scientific publication, technical assistance, workshop, software, data, metadata, etc.) and the intended user (refuge/hatchery manager, migratory bird coordinator, etc.) of the products.