

DETERMINATION AND FINDINGS
TO SUPPORT THE USE OF THE ECONOMY ACT

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), San Francisco Bay National Wildlife Refuge Complex, requires a study of the potential hazards of the anticoagulants brodifacoum and diphacinone to arboreal salamanders with an estimated value of \$108,274.58. Use of an intra-agency agreement under the authority of the Economy Act is contemplated to obtain the needed goods or services from U.S. Department of Agriculture-APHIS. Having completed the appropriate investigations, we make the following findings pursuant to section 17.503(a) of the Federal Acquisition Regulation:

FINDINGS

1. The supplies or services cannot be obtained as conveniently or economically by contracting directly with a private source.
2. Check the appropriate box(es):

The servicing agency can provide the supplies or services directly. No contracting is required.

or

Contracting by the servicing agency is required. One or more of the following circumstances apply:

- The acquisition will be made under an existing contract of the servicing agency, entered into before placement of this order, to meet the requirements of the servicing agency for the same or similar supplies or services;
- The servicing agency has capabilities or expertise to enter into a contract for such supplies or services which is not available within the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service; or
- The servicing agency is specifically authorized by law or regulation to purchase such supplies or services on behalf of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

DETERMINATION

Based on these findings, we hereby determine that an intra-agency agreement is in the best interest of the Government and is authorized under the Economy Act (31 U.S.C. > 1535). By our signatures, we certify that the foregoing findings are true statements of fact.

Gerry McChesney, Farallon NWR Manager, San Francisco Bay NWRC (Date)

Contracting Officer's Name and Signature (Warrant Number) (Date)