Bureau of Land Management Land and Water Conservation Fund FY 2012 Amended Submission Process

- The Office of Management and Budget and the Department of the Interior (DOI) Budget Office will inform the BLM of the Fiscal Year (FY) 2012 Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) funding target no earlier than May 2010. FY 2012 President's Budget targets are due back to the DOI Budget Office within 30 days of notification.
- To be eligible, projects must support at least one of two developing Departmental goals: Wildlife/Fisheries "connectivity" corridors on a landscape level and public access to public lands. Lands proposed for acquisition must comply with Section 205 (b) of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act and be available from a willing seller owner. Preference will be given to properties under option and/or pre-purchased by a third party partner.
- Each submission will include a project narrative, fact sheet and map(s). Blank examples of the narrative and fact sheets are provided. All documents will be electronically submitted to the Division of Lands, Realty and Cadastral Survey (WO-350) via state-specific folders at the following link (please copy and paste):

- A 500-point Ranking Criteria Questionnaire and a 200-point Supplemental Ranking
 Criteria Questionnaire will be completed for each submission. Point values associated
 with individual questions are intentionally hidden. The Questionnaires should be
 circulated to respective resource specialists and managers for completion. Fill-in-theblank Ranking Criteria Questionnaires are provided and have been emailed to respective
 state office LWCF Program Leads. These documents will be also be electronically
 submitted to WO-350.
- Headquarters Selection Process:
 - WO-350 will collect and process submissions from state offices.
 - WO-350 will recruit and select a National Review Team, composed of field representatives from the WO-170 and WO-200 Directorates NLCS, Recreation, Wildlife, and Cultural programs (with prior knowledge of the LWCF program), and a field management representative, to review and prioritize recommendations for directorate concurrence. The National Review Team will be guided through the process by representatives from the Minerals and Realty Management Directorate (WO-300) and the Renewable Resources and Planning Directorate (WO-200).
 - WO-350 will conduct WO Directorate briefings and secure concurrence from the Director.
 - WO-350 will finalize submission for transmittal to the DOI Budget Office.